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ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
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Will give prompt attention to all business entrusted to the professional care.  
OFFICE OPPOSITE KERR'S HOTEL,  
March 14, 1859.

**A. C. WILLIAMSON,**  
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW,  
has taken an office jointly with J. A. Fox, Esq. upstairs next door to the Court House, where he will be constantly present to attend to all calls on professional business made for himself or for Mr. Fox when he is absent.  
January 4, 1859.

**J. A. FOX,**  
Attorney at Law,  
Office next door to the Court House, Upstairs  
A. C. WILLIAMSON, Esq., who is a joint occupant of the office, and who will be uniformly present, will attend to professional business for me in my absence.  
December 21, 1858.

**ROBERT GIBBON, M. D.,**  
PRACTITIONER OF MEDICINE AND  
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Office No. 2 Levee's corner, CHARLOTTE, N. C.  
December 14, 1858.

**JAS. T. DAVIS,**  
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Will practice in the Courts of Mecklenburg and the adjoining counties.  
The collection of claims promptly attended to.  
March 14, 1859.

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DEALERS IN  
British, French and American  
Dry Goods,  
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Nov 9, 1858.

**H. W. RUPP,**  
WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER,  
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Watches, Clocks and Jewelry repaired and warranted.  
September 14, 1858.

**BELTS! BELTS!**  
For Wheat Threshers, Fans, cotton Gins, Saw Mills, and machinery of every description; the best Belting now in use and far superior to leather in all respects.  
It will not stretch, or drive on one side as leather.  
THE SUN WILL NOT AFFECT IT.  
Rain or water cannot injure it. It requires no oil; the rats will not eat it; your negroes will not steal it for strings or shoe soles; you can get any length you wish all in one piece without joints, and with good care it will last any farmer for twenty years.  
Orders accompanied with the cash will receive prompt attention, and the freight paid to any point on the Railroad or stage line.  
**CASH PRICES:**  
2 1/2 inch.....17 cents per foot.  
3 ".....17  
4 ".....20  
5 ".....22  
6 ".....24  
7 ".....26  
8 ".....28  
9 ".....30  
10 ".....32  
12 " 4 ply.....36  
Seamless Belts manufactured to order at short notice.  
Conducting Hose of all sizes, for water or steam pressures, ordered direct from the Manufacturers. Also, Packing of all description, at 50 cents per pound.  
June 7, 1859

**CERTIFICATES.**  
I do hereby certify that I have Three Gum Belts, which I got of Mr J. B. Boone, in use in my machinery in my Tan Yard, and have been in use for the last eight or ten months; and as far as I have tried them, I like them better than the leather belts.  
Yours respectfully,  
C. C. BENDERSON,  
Lincolnton, N. C.  
June 6, 1859

This is to certify that I have been using the "Rubber Belting," sold by Mr J. B. Boone, and find it has proved all that it represents it to be, and have no hesitation in recommending its use to the public.  
Yours respectfully,  
YOUNG & WRISTON,  
Proprietors of the Rock Island Wool Mills,  
July 9, 1859.

I hereby certify, that the India Rubber Belting bought by me of J. B. Boone, has been used in my cotton Factory, from 12 to 18 months, and has given entire satisfaction.  
July 13, 1859 T. R. TATE.

**30 BAGS** extra family Flour, warranted good.  
H. B. WILLIAMS & CO.  
**FRESH SODA CRACKERS**—for sale by the Box.  
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The crop of wheat is prepared to purchase the new crop of wheat at the highest market price. Farmers will find it to their advantage to call at the CHARLOTTE STEAM MILLS before selling.  
JNO. WILKES.  
July 26, 1859

**Furnishing Goods! Furnishing Goods!**  
50 Doz. Foy & white Linen & marseilles-linson Shirts.  
50 " Byron, standing and Piccolomini Collars.  
—ALSO—  
Gloves, Hosiery, Stocks, Cravats, Silk Lace Ties, Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs, of all qualities and prices, FELLINGS, SPRINGS & CO.  
SUPERIOR RIO COFFEE, also JAMAICA.  
H. B. WILLIAMS & CO.

**Notice.**  
F. SCARR having purchased the entire interest in the firm of F. SCARR & CO., the Business will hereafter be continued by himself personally.  
All Notes and Accounts due the late firm of F. Scarr & Co., to January 1st, 1859, must be paid to F. SCARR by July 1st, or they will be placed in the hands of an Attorney for immediate collection.  
May 17, 1859.

**The Charlotte Mutual Fire Insurance Company.**  
CONTINGENT to take risks against loss by fire, on Houses, Goods, Produce, &c., at usual rates.  
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Vice President—C. OVERMAN,  
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Executive Committee—S. T. Wriston, F. Scarr, Jno. L. Brown.  
April 29, 1859.

**TAXES.**  
The Tax Lists for the year 1858 are now in my hands for inspection. Those liable to pay Taxes will please come forward and settle.  
E. C. GRIER, Sheriff.  
April 12, 1859.

**15000 LBS. GOOD COUNTRY BACON.** For sale. H. B. WILLIAMS & CO.  
**CHARLOTTE HOTEL,**  
BY J. B. KERR, Proprietor.  
EVERY ACCOMMODATION afforded the patrons of the Charlotte Hotel.  
At this Hotel is kept the line of Daily Stages from Charlotte to Asheville.  
Oct 1, 1858. J. B. KERR.

**NORTH CAROLINA MILITARY INSTITUTE,**  
Charlotte, N. C.  
THE Exercises of this Institute will commence on the 1st October next.  
FACULTY ELECT:  
Maj. D. H. HILL, Superintendent.  
Lieut. C. C. LEE, Commandant,  
C. P. ESTILL, A. M., Principal of Primary Department.  
Course of Studies:  
In the Primary Department, such as to qualify a Student to enter a College.  
In the Scientific Department the West Point Curriculum will be closely followed. It will be the aim of the Professors to make Surveyors, Engineers, Chemists, and men fit for the practical business of life.  
In addition to the usual Exercises at Military Schools, the months of August and September will be spent in Campaigning through the mountains of North Carolina. The Academic Year will commence on the 1st day of October, and will embrace twelve months. A furlough of two months (Aug. and Sept.) will be given to Cadets at the end of their second year.  
Particular attention will be given to the moral and religious instruction of Cadets.  
EXPENSES:  
The Institute will provide Board, Fuel, Lights, Washing, Arms, Equipments and Uniforms—and all clothing except underclothes. \$300 PER ANNUM, one-half payable in advance; the balance in six months. No extra charges. No remission of charges to those who leave on the score of health.  
TERMS OF ADMISSION:  
No one will be admitted into the Primary Department under Twelve years of age nor into the Scientific Department under Fifteen nor over Twenty-one years of age. All connected with the Scientific Department will be required to board in the Institute; those in the Primary Department may do so if they choose.  
REMARKS:  
The Institute Buildings are the largest, most elegant and commodious for the accommodation of Cadets in the Southern country; and the Board of Directors trust that under the management of the Superintendent and Commandant, (both of whom are Graduates of West Point and of long experience in the Army, and in the business of instruction.) the Institute will be established on a true Military basis and conducted on true Military principles. The board will further say, that Mr ESTILL is a Graduate of the Virginia University and an experienced Classical teacher. They would further state that it is their intention to increase the number of teachers in both Departments as the patronage of the public may require.  
This Institute was granted a Liberal Charter by the Legislature of North Carolina, with the power of conferring Degrees upon those who complete the prescribed Course of Studies.  
Applications for admission will be received until the 1st of September, and must be directed to Dr. C. J. Fox, President of the Board, Charlotte, N. C. [For further particulars see Circular.]

**Choice Salad Oil.**  
Eagle Brand.  
A FRESH supply of this delicious and pure Oil just received and for sale at SCARR'S Family Drug Store.  
July 7.

**Just Received,**  
205 Pairs Black Cassimere Pants.  
456 " Fancy " " " " " " "  
280 " Plain & Foy Linen & Marseilles Pants.  
at FELLINGS, SPRINGS & CO.  
FELLINGS, SPRINGS & CO.  
have received  
200 Black Satin and figured Grenadine Silk Vests.  
150 Fancy Cassimere  
250 " and Plain Linen and Marseilles " " " " " " " "  
AT ALL PRICES.

**A COUNTRY HOME.**  
BY A PENT UP TOWN INHABITANT.  
O, give me a home in the country wide;  
And a seat by the farmer's wood fireside:  
Where the fire burns bright,  
On a frosty night;  
Where the jest, the song, the laugh are free;  
O, the farmer's home is the home for me!  
O, give me a home in the country wide;  
When the earth comes out as a blushing bride,  
With her buds and flowers  
In the bright spring hours;  
Her bridal song ringing from fresh leaved trees,  
And melody floats on the perfumed breeze.  
In summer, a seat in a shady nook,  
And close by the side of a purling brook,  
Where the violet grows,  
Or the pale swamp rose,  
Fainting, sick, beneath the scorching beam,  
Dips her pale petals in the cooling stream.  
O, give me a home in the country wide,  
In the golden days of a farmer's pride,  
When his barns are filled;  
From the fields he tilled;  
And he feels that his yearly task is done,  
And smiling at Winter he beckons him on.

**F. SCARR,**  
(Late Scarr & Co.)  
**Chemist & Druggist**  
Charlotte, N. C.  
RESPECTFULLY invites attention to his complete stock of DRUGS, CHEMICALS and MEDICINES, selected with great care and without regard to price; purity and quality being especially regarded.  
**To Physicians.**  
New Chemicals and Drugs just received. Hypophosphites of Soda and Potass, Tilden's Fluid Extracts, Churchill's Syrup of the Hypophosphites, Annon Ferri Alum, Perchlorate of Iron (solid) &c.  
Country Merchants  
Will find at this establishment a full assortment of articles in the Drug line at Charleston Prices.

**Babbit's Pure Potash,** in tin. Concentrated Lye. Soap Potash, in barrels.  
**Vinegar,** Nutmegs, Allspice, Cloves, Mace, Ginger, Pepper, Cinnamon, &c.  
**OILS.**  
Lined Oil, Train Oil, Sperm, Tanners', Lard " Sweet "

**A full supply of Paints.**  
White Lead, Red Lead, Paris Green, Chrome Green, Chrome Yellow, Prussian Blue, Raw and Burnt Umber, Terra de Sienna, &c.  
**Elegant Preparations for the Hair.**  
Burdett's Cocoa.  
Savage's Urin, Ruzin's Ox Marrow, &c., At SCARR'S Drug Establishment.  
May 31, 1857.

**Clothing Emporium.**  
ONCE MORE, friends and patrons, we invite you to visit the Emporium and examine the largest, best-made, and cheapest stock of  
**Summer Clothing**  
ever offered in Western Carolina. We say the cheapest, because we get our goods differently from any other house. We buy the materials from importers and jobbers and manufacture the clothing ourselves, thereby saving the manufacturer's profit. All we can wish of the people is to give us a trial, and we are confident we can sell.  
**We warrant**  
every article to customers, and will make good any deficiency that may occur in material or making. We are now receiving  
105 Black Cloth Coats—all grades.  
250 " French & Eng. Drap d'Eté Frocks & Sacks.  
120 " Alpaca and Queen's " " " " do.  
75 Fancy Cassimere Suits.  
50 Plain & Foy Marseilles do.  
300 Spanish Linen and linen Duck Sacks & Sacketers.  
Fullings, Springs & Co.  
April 26, 1859.

**Medical College of Virginia, AT RICHMOND.**  
SESSION OF 1859-'60.  
The next regular Course of Lectures will commence on the FIRST MONDAY IN OCTOBER, and continue until the first of March.  
Ch. BELL GIBSON, M. D., Professor of Surgery and Surgical Anatomy.  
DAVID H. TERRELL, M. D., Professor of Theory and Practice of Medicine.  
B. R. WELFORD, M. D., Professor of Materia Medica and Therapeutics.  
A. E. PERCIVAL, M. D., Professor of Anatomy and Histology.  
L. S. JOYNES, M. D., Professor of Institutes of Medicine &c.  
JAMES H. CONWAY, M. D., Professor of Obstetrics and Diseases of Women and Children.  
JAMES B. McCRAW, M. D., Professor of Chemistry and Pharmacy.  
MARION HOWARD, M. D., Demonstrator of Anatomy.  
Clinical instruction will be given at the College Infirmary, which is also the Marine Hospital of the Port of Richmond. Clinical Lectures every Wednesday and Saturday throughout the session. Many Surgical operations are performed in presence of the class. Students are also permitted to witness the practice at the Richmond Almshouse.  
The supply of material for Practical Anatomy is abundant, and the cost to the student very trifling.  
A PRIZE of \$100, offered by Dr. Thomas D. Warren of North Carolina, will be awarded to the member of the Graduating Class who shall present to the Faculty the best Essay on any medical subject.  
FEES: To each Professor \$15  
Matriculation, 5  
Demonstrator of Anatomy 10  
Graduation 25  
For further information, address  
L. S. JOYNES, M. D.,  
July 12, 1859. 2m L. S. Dean of the Faculty.

**Magic Oil—Magic.**  
A fresh supply just received and for sale by E. NYE HUTCHINSON & CO.  
June 28, 1859.

**NORTH CAROLINA ITEMS.**  
**THE UNIVERSITY.**—We learn by letter from a friend at Chapel Hill that the University classes are about as full as usual. The Sophomore Class numbers more than one hundred and thirty members.  
The new buildings are going on rapidly; and it is believed that they will be completed by or before the close of the present Colleague year.—*Fayetteville Observer.*  
**THE NEW BANK.**—Mr Dewey, the Cashier, publishes in the last Standard the following statement, showing the condition of the Bank of North Carolina, August 15, 1859:  
Bank of the State of NC. Capital Stock paid in \$771,288 32  
Cash in hand \$271,315 61 Profit and loss 27 28  
Gold 500,000 00  
Dollars 771,315 61 Dollars 771,315 61

**NORTH CAROLINA ROLL OF HONOR.**—The following is a list of revolutionary soldiers supposed to be living, and pensioners on the roll of the State of North Carolina, with their ages, in 1859:  
Cornelius Clement, Rutherford county, 102 years; John Brooks, Robeson county, 102 years; Edwin Hickman, Stokes county, 96 years; Mose Jones, Orange county, 97 years; Alexander Lemonds, Rockingham county 98 years; James Nicholson, Stokes county, 97 years; Adams Phillips, Buncombe county, 96 years; George Roberts, Buncombe county, 90 years.

**ARRESTED FOR KIDNAPPING.**—On Tuesday evening May George, a citizen of this county, was brought before W. H. Harrison, and Jordan Woulfe, Esqrs., of this City, and committed to prison on a charge of kidnapping. It appears that Mr George was found in possession, in Lunenburg county, Virginia, of a couple of negro men, the property of Mr Williamson Page of this county; and his manner and that of the slaves exciting suspicion, he was arrested by Mr S. D. Crafton and others and brought here for trial. Kidnaping, that is stealing slaves, is punishable with death.—*Raleigh Standard.*

**COMPARATIVE EXTENT OF TERRITORY.**—When we read of the wealth and power of England it is not easy to conceive that her territory—the territory of England proper—is less than that of several of our individual States; and that the area of the United Kingdom, including England, Scotland and Ireland, is less than half the area of Texas, and less than that of California. The following figures will show these things to be true:  
Square miles. Square miles.  
United Kingdom 95,404 Texas 297,504  
England 50,922 California 155,980  
Scotland 31,324 Missouri 67,380  
Ireland 32,509 Virginia 61,352  
Florida 59,268  
Georgia 58,000  
Illinois 55,405  
Oregon, about 90,000  
The area of the whole United States 2,936,166  
Of all Europe 3,811,594

**A DANGEROUS CAT.**—The New Bedford (Mass.) Mercury says that a day or two since a child asleep in its cradle in that city, in the absence of its mother, was almost deprived of its life by a cat which was found with her claws fastened to the dress of the child, drawing its breath, and it was with great difficulty that the stealthy creature was withdrawn.

**PEA MEAL.**  
We keep at our Steam Flouring Mill in this place Pea Meal for feeding cows and stock. Also, we have on hand at all times, Family, Extra, Superior and coarse Flour. We warrant our family flour.  
Corn Meal and Grits can always be had at the mill.  
April 19, 1859 J. WILKES & CO.

**NEW CROP. Turnip Seed! Turnip Seed!**  
—A large supply of superior Turnip Seed—  
Red Top, Flat Dutch, Rutabaga, Large Globe.  
Just received from the North, at SCARR'S DRUG STORE.  
July 19, 1859.

**TURNIP SEED.**  
A large supply of superior Turnip Seed  
Red Top, Flat Dutch, Rutabaga, Large Globe, Large Norfolk, Yellow Aberdeen.  
Just received from the North, and for sale at E. NYE HUTCHINSON & CO'S.  
July 26, 1859

**HOLSTON CONFERENCE FEMALE COLLEGE,**  
ASHVILLE, N. C.  
REV. A. W. CUMMINGS, D. D., President, assisted by twelve able and experienced Teachers.  
Board for collegiate year, \$80 00  
Tuition " " " " " " 24 00  
Extra branches moderate.  
Washing 37 1/2 cents per dozen pieces.  
Next Term opens August 11th, 1859. Catalogues will be sent on application to  
R. B. VANCE, Secretary.  
July 12, 1859. 2m-pd

**UNITED STATES MAIL LINE**  
From Charlotte to Asheville, DAILY.  
The subscriber would call the attention of the traveling public to the above line of DAILY STAGES, connecting at Charlotte with the Daily Trains on the Charlotte and S. C. and North Carolina Railroads.  
To persons going East this is the cheapest as well as the most direct route; and passes through one of the most romantic and beautiful regions of Western North Carolina. Running in full view of the celebrated HICKORY NUT FALLS  
in daylight, the traveler has an opportunity of viewing that magnificent and wonderful work of nature. A fine view is also obtained of the loftiest peaks of the world-renowned BLACK MOUNTAIN.  
Many other noted localities cannot fail to interest the traveler.  
New and splendid Coaches, fine Stock and the very best Drivers, will insure the comfort, safety and speed of passengers.  
Office at Charlotte: KERR'S HOTEL.  
Charlotte and S. C. Ashville: GUDGER'S HOTEL.  
J. F. SULLIVAN, Contractor.  
July 12, 1859. 6m.

**PROMINENT CHARACTERS**  
At some of the fashionable watering places.  
John Squeal, in a letter to his son Simon, thus describes the characters of some of the gents who frequent the summer resorts:  
I proceed now to consider some of the male characters usually found at a great watering place—characters which I shall point out, in order that you may estimate them according to their merits, and avoid association with, or imitation of them.  
And first, my dear Simon, I will make a few remarks upon the "Lady's Beau." This animal is met with in almost every social circle. He is a compound of whiskers, ready-made clothing, (generally of the fancy kind—striped or speckled,) patent-leather shoes, perfumes of a villainous odor, kid-gloves, hair parted behind and matted, and with bear's grease. He is, Simon, generally totally deficient in anything like mind, and were it not that the breath of life had by some mischance been breathed into his frame, you would conclude that the figures used in the windows of tailors and barbers' shops were on a strike, and had been driven by some revolutionary movement into society. The "lady's beau," Simon, is, strange to say, a favorite with the fair sex, though it can scarcely be conceived how such a thing as I have pictured can really and honestly be a favorite with the ladies. I rather incline to the opinion that he is tolerated as a convenience, a toy to sport and trifle with, a useful creature in the social world, to escort to balls, or to flirt hours away with when the attentions of men of sense and merit cannot be obtained. He generally dances well, because that is an accomplishment which does not require the aid of the head; and as a good partner is essential to a proper display of grace in a lady, he is in universal demand. By his satisfied air, his smirks and smiles, you can discover at once that he has not the remotest idea that his dancing is the only quality which makes the fair girl hanging on his arm tolerate his senseless jargon and mindless conversation. He fritters away the best days of his life in the most trifling pursuits, and never thinks of laying up a store of knowledge for future use, when his knees shall be too stiff for dancing, when the glories of kid gloves and cologne shall have departed, and when the black locks of which he is so proud, shall have been touched by the frost of age. Shun and detest such a character, my dear Simon.

The *supercilious beau*, either as an old bachelor or widower, I must also notice briefly. You will easily recognize this type, Simon, (for it has never been a scarce one at the White Sulphur,) without a very long or accurate description. It will be distinguished by the juvenility of his behaviour. Though the aches and pains of advancing years may rack his limbs, yet you will see him in the dance. The vanity of his youth has not yet left him; so great is his desire to keep his pristine position with the fair sex, that he will sacrifice most bodily comfort to appear young and vigorous. In the presence of ladies, he will actively mount a horse, though with stifled groans of physical pain, and will gallop gaily away until out of sight, when he will immediately adopt a gait better suited to gout and rheumatism. He will twist and torture the straggling hairs on his head to an agonizing degree to make them cover his bald pate. I was always much amused at these old fellows, Simon, and though you may laugh at their weakness and folly, yet they will entitle themselves to some respect; for their great efforts to please will show them possessed of goodness of heart.  
The *fortune hunter*, Simon, is a too frequent hanger-on at watering places to escape notice. Mark and treasure up your contempt for him, my son. Give him the cold shoulder on all occasions. You will know him by his diligent and exclusive attention to all the young ladies that are reputed to be great heiresses. He will be a frequent visitor at the cabins of large sugar and cotton plantation girls. Young ladies who have large investments in State stocks will be the objects of his adoration. I would not have you, Simon, to be of that romantic turn of mind, as some people profess to be, that you should turn from a lady because she had money, provided all the qualities of head and heart were there, which we should prize more highly. Love is a plant that flourishes remarkably well in an unfruitful soil. The chill winds of poverty frequently wither it. No, Simon, I do not want you to avoid a lady because she is rich, if she is worthy in other respects; but what I would impress upon you is, that you should not seek her for her wealth alone. The priceless affections of the heart, which adorn and enoble humanity, are not to be bartered for gold. The dollar is not the yard-stick, so to speak, of human happiness, and he or she who makes it so will have purchased misery. Money is perishable, and ends with life—often before; but the qualities of the head and heart are infinite and immortal; they range throughout the universe; they live beyond the tomb; they are the undying parts of man and woman; and when I see a rational being oblivious of these for gold, I lament that humanity can so far forget itself and sink so low. You cannot hold, then, my dear Simon, in too great abhorrence, the character of the fortune hunter—the man or woman who would put a momentary value upon the heaven-born qualities of our nature! That was a sublime remark made by a stake-hound martyr to a rich tyrant—"Sire, there is one thing which your gold cannot buy for you—a good heart; nor can all your treasure equal the worth of a good conscience."

Your affectionate father,  
**JOHN SQUEAL.**  
To Simon Squeal, Esq., White Sulphur Springs.

**LABOR IN THE COTTON STATES.**—According to the census of 1850, there were at that time two millions forty-eight thousand two hundred and ninety-three slaves in the cotton States—Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas. It is believed that the number has now increased to two millions five hundred thousand. Of this aggregate, the field hands number one million five hundred thousand and about two-thirds of them are employed in cultivating the staple. It is calculated that the crop of 1860, with good weather, will be four millions bales, to produce which, it is said an increase of one hundred thousand field hands will be required. The question is, where are they to come from?

**A DOMESTIC PICTURE.**  
The Detroit Free Press, reports the following: Officers arrived in town day before yesterday in hot pursuit of a runaway wife from Oakland county, an aged female named Nancy Moore, who was charged with having drugged her husband with opium, and taking three hundred dollars from him, with which she had absconded. Her helpmate, named Israel Jones, a man somewhat older than herself is a farmer, living about eight miles from Utica, Macomb county, and is said to be pretty well off in this world's goods. He married only about a year since, and has since found the yoke anything but an easy one, as the bride, who numbers about sixty summers, made things too hot for comfort. He was addicted to managing his own affairs, and as she inclined to the same peculiarity, their opinions often clashed, resulting in those little domestic episodes which are said to occur in the best regulated families. On Tuesday they had a grand fight, the effect of which laid up the old gentleman on the sick list. Having her own designs to carry out, the affectionate wife took to doctoring him, and fixing up a gin sling, which he imbibed unsuspectingly. It made him uncommonly sleepy, and he refused to take another that she prepared, suspecting something wrong. The first was enough for him, and he went into a sound nap, from which he did not awake until morning, when he found the old lady gone, and the money missing.  
Warrants were issued by Justice Lane, and placed in the hands of officer Paul May, who a short time afterwards, found the old lady on one of her ferry boats, making good time for Canada. He arrested her, much to her chagrin, and placed her in a bonyard. Arriving there, she repudiated the old gentleman, refusing to have anything to do with him. He offered to give her fifty dollars and call it all square, but she declined emphatically, having the three hundred in her possession, and expressing herself satisfied with the result. No prosecution could be entered into, as a wife cannot steal from her husband, having full and equal rights with him, and if anything a little the best of it. She was, however, delivered into the hands of some of the country officials and left without a cent.

**INCREASE OF WEALTH IN GEORGIA.**—The Atlanta Intelligencer learns from Comptroller Thwaitt that the digests of one hundred and twelve counties, returned to his office, show an increase of taxable property of the State for the past year of fifty millions of dollars.

**TEXAS.**—A letter to the Editors of the Observer, from Vine Grove, Washington County, dated August 4, says that the crops are good, and the farmers are in fine spirits. There are many emigrants arriving in the State.  
**TOO TRUE.**—An exchange well says when a rakish youth goes astray, friends gather around him in order to restore him to the path of virtue. Gentleness and kindness are lavished upon him to bring him back to innocence and peace. No one would suspect that he had sinned. But when a poor confident girl is betrayed she receives the brand of society, and is henceforth driven from the ways of virtue. The betrayer is honored, received—there is no peace for her this side of the grave. Society has no loving, helping hand for her, no smile of peace, no voice of forgiveness. These are earthly moralities unknown to heaven. There is a deep wrong in them, and fearful are the consequences.  
**DEATH.**—The article on "Death" in the New Cyclopaedia has the following:  
As life approaches extinction, insensibility supervenes—a numbness and disposition to repose, which do not admit of the idea of suffering. Even in those cases where the activity of the mind remains to the last, and where sensibilities would seem to continue, it is surprising how often there has been observed a state of happy feeling on the approach of death. "If I had strength to hold a pen, I would write how easy it is to die," were the last words of the celebrated Wm. Hunter, during his last moments.  
Montaigne, in one of his essays, describes an accident which left him so senseless, that he was taken up for dead. On being restored, however, he says: "Methought my life only hung upon my lips; and I shut my eyes to help thrust it out, and took pleasure in laughing and letting myself go." A writer in the Quarterly Review records that a gentleman who had been rescued from drowning declared he had not experienced the slightest feeling of suffocation. "The stream was transparent, the day brilliant, and as he stood upright he could see the sun shining through the water, with a dreamy consciousness that his eyes were about to close on it forever. Yet he neither feared his fate nor wished to avert it. A sleep sensation, which soothed and gratified him, made a luxurious bed of a watery grave."

Mistakes are often made by persons not business men in calculating per centage. If a merchant marks his goods for sale at 50 per cent. advance, and 33 1/3 per cent. be afterwards deducted from the marked price, he sells at cost (because 33 1/3 per cent. of 81 1/3 is exactly 50 cents, the profit marked on \$1). If he sells goods at 25 per cent. above cost, and deducts five per cent. from the bill for cash, his profits are 18 1/2 per cent. and not 20 per cent., as some persons at first sight would suppose. Goods have been sometimes sold at a loss through mistake in per centage.