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THOS. J. JOHNSON

Has just received
10 Bbls New Orleans Molasses,
10 " Large Yellow Planting Potatoes,
6000 Lbs Northern Bacon,
3000 Lbs N. C. do.
1000 Bushels Oats,
17 Hhds Cuba Molasses,
Ploughs and Castings, Blacksmiths' Tools.
Also, 1 light four-horse Wagon and 1 Buggy, 1 harness Horse, &c.

THOS. J JOHNSON, Person st.
March 5, 1853 tf

☞ Campbellton property for sale.

HALL & BOLLINGER,

FAYETTEVILLE FOUNDRY.

Castings of every description made to order.

A list of Rabbet Metal for sale.
WINSLOW STREET.
Sept. 6, 1851. tf

CLEMENT G. WRIGHT,
Attorney at Law,
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.
Office at the corner of Bow and Green streets.
Feb'y 5, 1853

As we intend making a change in our business, we offer for sale what Dry Goods we have on hand, at cost.

We are receiving a large stock of Groceries, Hardware, Cooper's Tools, &c.
110 bags Rio, Laguira and Java Coffee,
10 hhds Porto Rico and N O Sugars,
75 bbls refined and crushed do,
50 hhds Molasses,
20 hhds Bacon,
3,500 lbs North Carolina Bacon,
No 1 pickled Herring,
No 1, 2 and 3 Mackerel,
And many other articles.

D. & W. McLAURIN.
April 16, 1853 38-tf

WORTH & ELLIOTT,
(Successors to J. D. Williams.)
FORWARDING & COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.
J. A. WORTH.] [W. P. ELLIOTT.
May 7, 1853 tf

We have just received a fresh supply of Tea, from the Pekin Tea Company, of all qualities, which we warrant to give satisfaction, or no charge.

D. & W. McLAURIN.
April 16, 1853 38-tf

Would respectfully inform the public that he is still at his old stand carrying on the above business in all its branches. He returns thanks for the liberal patronage he has received, and hopes by a strict attention to business, and a desire to please all and give general satisfaction, to merit a continuance of the same.

He warrants all his work to be made of the best material and by experienced workmen—having a more *experienced* and *practical Smith*, he flatters himself that his work will compete with any made in the State for style, elegance and durability; and should any of it fail in 12 months (with fair usage) either in workmanship or material, he will repair it free of charge

Persons wishing to buy, would do well to call and examine his work, as he is determined to sell low for cash or on short time.

Orders thankfully received and promptly attended to.

☞ Repairing neatly executed at short notice and lowest possible prices.

Fayetteville, Feb. 12, 1853.

CASH.

We want to purchase young Negroes.
J. & T. WADDILL.
August 13, 1853.

1853.
SPRING GOODS.

We are now receiving our Spring Goods, a larger stock than any former one, consisting of

DRY GOODS,
HARDWARE,
HATS, CAPS, BOOTS AND SHOES.

In addition to the above we have added to our Stock a large and well selected assortment of

Ready-made Clothing,

All of which we offer to buyers at our usual low prices and accommodating terms.

HALL & SACKETT.
☞ Prompt attention paid to orders.
March 12, 1853

NEW STOCK
SEASONABLE GOODS.

The subscriber respectfully begs leave to inform his customers and the public generally, that he has just received his Stock of

SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS,

Embracing a General Assortment of
Staple and Fancy Dry Goods, Bonnets, Misses' and Children's Hats, Worsted Patterns, Umbrellas and Parasols, Boots and Shoes.
ALSO, SUGAR AND COFFEE, &c. &c.

P. SHEMWELL,
North-west Corner Market Square, Green st.
Fayetteville, N. C., April 9, 1853. 737-tf

Wilder's Patent Fire Proof Salamander
SAFES.

We are agents for the sale of the above Safes, and offer them at Manufacturer's prices, adding freight. We intend keeping a supply always on hand of various sizes and prices. These Safes are considered among the best in the U. States. We have received part of one dozen, at prices from $50 to $175.

D. & W. McLAURIN.
April 16, 1853 38-tf

S. S. AREY

Has on hand a beautiful assortment of

New Spring & Summer Goods.

He desires to return thanks to his friends and the public for the liberal patronage which they have bestowed on him; and desires a continuance of the same. His friends and the public are requested to give him a call, at the stand formerly occupied by S. J. Hindsdale, south west corner Market Square and Gillespie street.

April 30, 1853 40-6m

New Stock of Spring & Summer
GOODS.

The subscriber is now receiving a large and well selected stock of Goods, comprising a general assortment of

Dry Goods, Ready-made Clothing,
Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps,
Hardware and Cutlery, Saddlery,
GROCERIES, &c &c,

Which will be sold low for cash, or exchanged for turpentine and country produce.

He returns his warmest thanks to his old friends and customers for the liberal patronage heretofore extended to him, and hopes to merit a continuance of the same.

NATHAN. KING.
Kingsbury, April 16, 1853 tf

MARBLE FACTORY,
BY GEO. LAUDER.

Nearly opposite to E W Willkings' Auction Store. FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.
Oct 1, 1852—y

CHAIRS.

The subscriber offers for sale some 15 or 20 dozen Chairs of various patterns, manufactured in this place of well-seasoned wood, the best the country affords; and if enabled by sufficient patronage, will continue to manufacture chairs of such material & workmanship as will insure their durability. Also, a general assortment of northern Chairs at the lowest prices.

A liberal price will be given in cash or barter for a few thousand feet of well seasoned poplar Lumber, 1½ to 2 inches thick, 14 inches and upwards wide, clear of splits, &c. Also split hickory and white oak wanted.

DUNCAN McNEILL.
Fayetteville, March 20, 1852. tf

The Steamer Fanny Lutterloh

will in the future leave Fayetteville on Tuesday and Friday mornings, at 6 o'clock, and Wilmington Wednesdays and Saturdays at 12 o'clock and run regularly, carrying freight and passengers with despatch.

T. S. LUTTERLOH.
July 31, 1852. 701-tf

Notice to Turpentine Distillers.

I have now on hand a number of Spirit Barrels, made of the best seasoned material, and by good workmen. And am making about eighty barrels per week. Those wanting will do well to give me a call.

T. R. UNDERWOOD.
July 9, 1853. 750-tf

FISH.

Just received and for sale,
No 3 Mackerel, No 1 Herring,
Salmon Cod Fish,
5,000 lbs best cured N. C. Bacon,
Lime,
Calcined Plaster Parish,
Hydraulic Cement,
Plastering Hair.

J. W. POWERS & CO.
July 27, 1853 53-tf

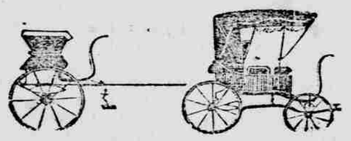
AT THE RED SIGN.
McDONALD & McMASTER

Have just received a full and complete stock of GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, &c., to which they invite the attention of the citizens and surrounding country. They will sell low for CASH, or on time to punctual customers. They purchased their goods for cash, and this will enable them to sell low. They have facilities that many houses have not: They have agents established in Baltimore and New York, who always advise them of any change in articles in their line, and who purchase only when bargains are to be had. We keep always on hand a splendid assortment of foreign and domestic liquors; loaf, crushed and brown sugars; Rio, Java and Laguira coffee; green, Hyson, and black teas; New Orleans and Cuba molasses; table & sack salt; bacon, lard, mess pork, mess beef, smoked beef, dryed venison; No 1, 2 and 3 mackerel; butter, cheese, flour, meal, corn, oats, tobacco, candles, copperas, saleratus, indigo, madder, spice, pepper, ginger nutmeg, cinamon, epsom salts, hardware, cutlery, crockery, and glassware; and a variety of other goods.

They take this method of thanking the community and their country friends for the very liberal patronage bestowed on them; and intend, by selling goods *low*, to increase their former trade—always keeping in view that a nimble sixpence is worth a slow shilling.

Yellow Building, between the Market House and the Bank of the State, Gillespie Street, Fayetteville, N. C.
March 26th, 1853. 35-tf.

The Largest Carriage Factory in the South!



A. A. McKETHAN

RESPECTFULLY informs his friends and the public, that he has built up large substantial Brick Buildings at his Old Stand, expressly for manufacturing Carriages. Thankful for the very liberal patronage he has received for the last 21 years, he hopes by strict attention to business, with a desire to give satisfaction, to merit a continuance of the same. He warrants his work to be made of the best material and by experienced workmen in each branch of the business. His work will compare favorably with any made in the United States, for neatness and durability.

He is determined to sell and do any work in his line on as good terms as any work done elsewhere that is as well done. He now has on hand, finished, the LARGEST STOCK of

Carriages, Barouches, Rockaways, and Buggies,

ever offered in this place, and a very large stock of work nearly finished, which will be finished daily. All of which will be sold very low for Cash, or on short time to punctual customers.

☞ He has on hand more than ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY Vehicles finished and in course of construction.

☞ All work made by him is warranted 12 months with fair usage, and should it fail by bad workmanship or material will be repaired free of charge.

Persons wishing to buy would do well to call and examine for themselves.

Orders thankfully received and promptly attended to.

Repairing executed at short notice and on very reasonable terms.

June 1, 1853. 45-tf

IMPORTANT!!!

DAGUERREOTYPES!!!

'Secure the Sadow ere the Substance Fades.'

The subscriber begs leave to inform the citizens of Fayetteville that he has taken the room formerly occupied by T. O Smith, (Benbow & Kyle's building,) where he will remain for a short time, and respectfully solicits a call from the citizens whether they wish pictures or not.

He is provided with the most approved apparatus, and with a large and beautiful selection of *Cases, Frames, Lockets, Pins, &c.*, in which he will place Pictures, single or in groups of almost any number, and warrant them to be taken in the BEST STYLE OF THE ART, and NEVER to FADE. Fail not then while the opportunity is afforded you, to secure that which money cannot purchase after the loved Parent, Husband, Wife, Child or Friend shall have passed away, namely: A CORRECT AND UNFADING LIKENESS, which can now be obtained at so little trouble and expense, by calling at the subscriber's room.

Once more I say ☞ Give me a call, sit for your picture, and in no case are you expected to take it unless entirely satisfactory.

Particular attention paid to the taking of Children, which is done in a few seconds. He is also prepared to take the likenesses of the sick or deceased, which will be done at their residences. Oil Paintings, Engravings, Daguerreotypes, &c., correctly copied.

J. W. WALDEN, Daguerreotypist.

N. B.—Ladies are requested to dress in figured or dark material, avoiding white, light, blue or pink. A scarf or shawl gives a pleasing effect to the picture. For Gentlemen a black or figured vest and cravat, so that the bosom be not too much exposed. For Children plaid striped or figured dresses, lace work. Ringlets add much to the beauty of the picture.

July 16, 1853 51-2m

To Distillers and Shippers of TURPENTINE.

The undersigned having completed his large and commodious Warehouse, situated on the River Bank, at Lower Fayetteville, is now prepared to receive Spirits Turpentine on Storage. He expects to devote his sole attention to the business, and those who Store their Spirits with him, may depend upon his being in the Warehouse every day so as to detect any leakage that may occur. Having a good cooper always in the Warehouse, he will be able to make it an object to those who engage in the manufacture as well as to shippers to patronize him. All Spirits received in good order, will be kept so free of charge. Moderate charge made for such as is received in bad condition.

Merchants buying the article will save much trouble and expense by sending it directly to the Warehouse for inspection.

The subscriber being in no wise interested or concerned in any of the Boats, will in all cases ship as directed by the owner or shipper.

ISHAM BLAKE.
June 25, 1853 48-3m

FOR SALE.

10 Bbls. New Orleans Molasses.
A. W. STEEL.
Aug. 13, 1853. 55-2t

Wine Makers.

I have on hand barrels of very fine old Brandy suitable for those making good wine.

JAS. G. COOK.
August 13, 1853. 55-3m

Notice.

All persons indebted to the subscriber either by note or account, will please call on W. McL. McKay and settle the same, as further indulgence cannot be given.

L. McKELLAR.
Fayetteville, Aug. 6, 1853. 751-3t

NEW GOODS.

At the old stand of H. Branson & Son.

The undersigned have just received a large stock of Goods, embracing a general assortment recently bought in the northern market, under favorable circumstances. They have

Loaf, crushed, powdered and brown sugars; Java, Laguira & Rio Coffee; pepper, spice, ginger, cloves and nutmegs; sup. carb soda; Indigo; madder; borax; camphor; alum; eps. salts and salt petre; molasses; syrup; salt; iron; saddles, bridles and martingals; collars; wagon and buggy whips; spades, shovels and forks; trace, dog, tongue, breast and halter chains; coffee mills; wagon boxes; mill, cross-cut and hand saws; cut nails and spikes; with a good assortment of pocket and table cutlery; blacksmith tools complete; turpentine hackers, scrapers, dippers and axes; broad and chopping axes; guns; window glass; rivets. A large stock of ready-made clothing and staple dry goods; ginny and hemp bagging; rope and twine; Sweede and American bar iron; square and octagon cast steel; German and Bristol steel; *safety fuse and blasting powder*; hats, caps, boots and shoes; Western and North Carolina bacon; together with almost every article sold in this market, all of which will be sold at fair prices for cash, on time to prompt customers, or country produce generally.

G W. WILLIAMS & CO.
July 30, 1853 53-tf

J. W. RODGERS,

Manufacturer of
BUGGIES, CARRIAGES, SULKIES AND VEHICLES OF EVERY DESCRIPTION,
Lumberton, N. C.,

Respectfully announces to the public, that he has at last succeeded in engaging the services of experienced, skillful, and competent workmen in every branch of his business, and that he is now prepared to execute all orders for any kind of work in his line, in a style that cannot fail to give satisfaction.

All materials and workmanship from his shop are warranted to be of the best quality, and to stand, with fair usage, for 12 months. His terms are as favorable as any in the State.

July 30, 1853 53-tf

$100 REWARD

Will be given for the apprehension of Geo. W. McDonald, who robbed the office of [illegible] on Wednesday night the 3d inst., in Ashboro, N. C., at Mrs Hoover's Hotel. Said McDonald is about 6 feet high, spare made, heavy whiskers, and has very gentlemanly manners. He said he was a native of Fayetteville, N. C. The above reward will be given for his confinement in any Jail so that I can prosecute him.

WILLIS HESTER,
Near Hillsborough, N. C.
Aug 11, 1853. 55-4t-pd

WORLD'S FAIR.
Crystal Palace.

Persons visiting New York or traveling through North Carolina, should prepare themselves by calling at M. A. BAKER'S, sign of the Big Gun, opposite the Post Office, where they will find a large assortment of double and single-barrel Shot Guns, Rifles and Pistols, of all qualities; Colt's Repeating, Allen's Revolving, Wesson's Repeater and self-priming Pistols.

Powder Flasks, Shot and Game Bags, Percussion Caps of French and English make, also a large assortment of Gaming fixtures, which will be sold at the lowest cash prices.

REPAIRING of every thing in the Gunsmith line will be done at short notice, in the best manner, and for a small charge.

Rifles of all kinds constantly on hand and manufactured to order, and warranted to shoot from 100 to 900 yards. Persons wishing to purchase any of the above-named articles, will do well to give me a trial.

M. A. BAKER,
Sign of the Wooden Gun,
Hay street, opposite the Post Office.
July 23, 1853 6m

$150 Reward.

We will give one hundred dollars for the apprehension and confinement of HANNIBAL, a slave, (formerly the property of Mr Wm G. Matthews,) in any jail so that we can get him, or one hundred and fifty dollars if delivered to us at Halifax Court House, Virginia.

POINDEXTER & EDMONDSON.
By Wm. L. Callais, Agt.
July 23, 1853 52-tf

FOR SALE.

The subscriber offers for sale his DWELLING HOUSE on the South side of Moore Street. The Dwelling and out-houses are all nearly new, and in good repair. There is a thrifty young orchard on the premises, and an excellent Well of water. The situation is healthy and convenient.

DAVID McDUFFIE.
Fayetteville, July 16, 1853 tf

$50 Reward.

Runaway from the subscriber about the 1st of June, a negro man by the name of JERRY. He is about six feet high, stout built, and dark complected. The said negro is supposed to be lurking in the neighborhood of Brian Burroughs on Deep River. I will give the above reward for the said negro delivered to me at White Hall, Bladen County.

W. L. MOORE.
July 30, 1853. 753-tf

THOMAS EVANS,
ATTORNEY AT LAW AND SOLICITOR IN EQUITY, Marion C. H., S. C.,
Will practice in the Districts of Marion, Darlington, and Horry.
July 30, 1853 3m

NOTICE.

JACOB OTTARBURG will be at the Session of Moore Court, on the 22d of August, for the purpose of selling Matresses of a superior quality. All those wishing to buy would do well to give him a call.

Aug. 13th, 1853. 55-2t

SALES OF LOTS ON
BEAUFORT HARBOR.

The Carolina City Land Company will sell to the highest bidder on their premises, at White Hall, on Monday the 31st day of October next, a large number of valuable Lots.

The lands of this Company front two miles on the most accessible and best part of the Harbor and are in full view of the ocean—and are considered the most valuable on it. They will be handsomely and conveniently laid out for business and pleasure. No improvement can be made with Central or Western Carolina, or the world connected with the Harbor, without benefiting these lands. The Carolina City Company [illegible] leave to say that they have no agents or drummers in the Eastern part of the State" or any where else, offering to sell Lots at a low rate to secure influence, but that all the sales of their land are required, by the articles of agreement, to be to the highest bidder.

The gentlemen who compose this Company have made arrangements to improve their lands to the amount of about $50,000. During the winter and ensuing spring, a large Hotel will be built, Wharves, Turpentine Distilleries and a Steam Saw Mill will be put in operation.

There is excellent clay on the premises for making brick and also on the adjacent waters; and as experience has proved the importance of fire proof buildings in a commercial place, the board will not allow any but substantial fire proof buildings to be permanently erected on any lands they may sell.

To persons who may prefer, the board will lease lots for a term of years. They respectfully invite all persons in any way interested to be present at the sale and see for themselves. Especially mechanics; ship carpenters, brick masons, &c., as for them no richer harvest can be promised than the future prospects of Carolina City.

Terms of Sale.

One fourth cash—the balance in installments at 12, 18 and 24 months, interest from date.

By order of the Board,
T. R. UNDERWOOD, President.
August 13, 1853. 55-2m

FURNITURE AT AUCTION.

ON MONDAY NEXT, at my Store, a lot of FURNITURE consisting of Beds, Mattresses, Chairs, Sofas, Crockery, Glassware, &c.

Also, a valuable PIANO, if not previously disposed of at private sale

A. M. CAMPBELL.
August 13, 1853. 55-2t

☞ The above Sale is postponed to Monday the 22d inst.

FOR SALE.
1000 ACRES OF LAND.

The subscriber offers for sale his valuable Plantation in Robeson county, on both sides of the Lowrie Road, 16½ miles South West of Fayetteville and within half a mile of Lumber Bridge, the terminus of the Fayetteville and Southern Plank Road.

An opportunity is now offered for an investment, which cannot be equalled in this part of the country. The land is heavily and densely covered with pines, offering a great inducement to all persons engaged in Timber and Turpentine. The cleared land (about 100 acres,)—and in fact all is productive—superior to any in that county.

A bargain may be had. Terms liberal

ARCH'D A. T. SMITH.
Fayetteville, Aug 13, 1853. 55-tf

COMMON SCHOOLS.

The pamphlet containing the Common School Laws, one copy for each Committee man, may be had by application at the office of the Superintendent.

E. L. WINSLOW, Chairman.
August 13, 1853 55-2t

VALUABLE LANDS
FOR SALE.

I offer for sale my Plantation, situated 13 miles below Fayetteville, on the Wilmington road, on the north-west side of Cape Fear River, containing seven hundred and fifty acres. The river land is of the best farming lands in this part of the country—the wood lands are first rate for turpentine, with comfortable dwellings. Early application is desired.

JNO. T. WRIGHT.
Willis' Creek, N C, Aug 8, 1853 55-tf

VALUABLE LANDS FOR SALE.

The subscriber offers for sale his Plantation situated 15 miles below Fayetteville, on the Wilmington road, on the north-west side of Cape Fear River, containing seven hundred acres. The river land is of the best farming lands in the county; the back lands good turpentine land, with good improvements, well watered, remarkably healthy, and the best stand for a store in the county. Early application is desired.

JAMES WRIGHT.
Willis' Creek, N C, Aug 8, 1853 55-tf

COPARTNERSHIP.

The subscribers have this day formed a Copartnership for the transaction of a general Mercantile business under the firm and style of A. M. & C. S. JOHNSON.

A M. JOHNSON.
C. S. JOHNSON.
Fayetteville, Aug. 5, 1853. 751-tf

WATCHES & JEWELRY

The Subscriber has recently returned from the North with decidedly a very RICH and well-selected stock of *Watches & Jewelry*, embracing all the LATEST styles and fashions. A large lot of SILVER WARE; spoons, soup ladles, sugar tongs, dining and dessert forks, plain threaded, Jenny Lind and Brunswick patterns; butter knives; mugs; salt, cream and mustard spoons. PLATED GOODS; tea sets, coffee urns, chamber & parlor candlesticks, castors, sugar dish, waiters and trays, ladies' work boxes.

A full assortment of MILITARY GOODS. Clarionetts, flageletts, flutes, fifes, accordeons, flutinas, large and small music boxes, some with piano accompaniment; violins, some very fine Italian; surveyors' compasses and chains; mathematical instruments; eye-glasses, for miners; very superior razors and straps; fine scissors. A large lot of POCKET & TABLE CUTLERY, some in sets of 51 pieces; pocket knives with spoon, fork, fleam, &c. A large lot of well selected double-barrel guns, powder flasks, shot belts, game bags, &c. A good assortment of Colts' and various other kinds pistols; 5 or 6 different kinds clocks; walking canes, and various other notions which I would like to sell very low.

J M. BEASLEY.
Fayetteville, Aug. 13, 1853. 3m

IMPORTANT FROM THE FISHERIES.

Portsmouth, (N. H.) Aug. 11.—The steamer Fulton arrived here this morning from Halifax with important despatches from the fishing grounds. Captain Paulding left immediately for the city with the despatches.

An American fishing schooner was recently captured by the British, and carried to Charlestown by the English steamer Devastation. She however, was subsequently released.

The captain of the schooner [illegible], (American,) at Kennebeck, reports that his vessel was intentionally run into by the Devastation on the 28th ult., causing much damage. He intends to protest against the proceedings, and serious trouble is apprehended. There is much feeling against the British authorities.

From the Raleigh Register.

THE GREEN SUN OF 1831.

In the memory of many yet living, there occurred in 1831, a phenomenon which will never be forgotten by them, and which will be handed down by tradition to their remotest generations. Parallel circumstances gave the phenomenon an unusual importance, and all the leanings of superstition added to its strength.

In the year 1831, in the month of August, during the dog days, appeared what was called the *green sun*. For many days previous, a heavy and mysterious silence had chained the elements, no clouds had obscured the sky, and no forked lightnings had cleaved the firmament. The deep mutterings of the thunder were unheard, yet a pall hung over the face of nature. A strange and solemn calm rested upon every thing, and men looked wondering at each other to divine the result.

Those who have read Latrobe's voyage down the Ohio, in 1811, at the time when the great earthquake of that year devastated the west, if they saw this phenomenon, can enter into his feelings. Then the Sun seemed to stand still in its course, paralyzed and benumbed, shorn of its rays, and powerless for good or evil; while nature stood aghast, waiting the hidden agency which was to assert a new power. Days passed on upon the Ohio, and while a general gloom overshrouded the country, the issue was at last unexpectedly precipitated, and the whole valley of the West torn by the most terrible earthquake known in Northern America.

In 1831, nature here assumed the same mysterious garb, and those who remembered the disasters of New Madrid and the valley of the Mississippi, looked forward to a repetition of the same. At length the crisis seemed to have come. The sun, which rose clear and cloudless in the morning and reached the meridian in full glory, after passing it, began to assume a pale and sickly hue, and by four o'clock was totally deprived of all illuminating power. It then had the appearance of a greenish globe, thickly set across its diameter with black spots of various sizes, which continued visible to the naked eye, until sunset. Day after day this was repeated, until the heart became sick with dread anticipation. Nor were fears misplaced or credulity too active. It was then, by a strange coincidence of horrors, that the murderous blows of Nat. Turner were struck, and the negroes of Southampton believed for a while that they were free men. Then, in this State, and Virginia, with the sky looming vengeance upon us, and encouraging the blacks to freedom, according to the reading of the oracle, were enacted those horrible tragedies, so eagerly sought to be renewed by the abolitionists of this day. No man went to his bed without placing his gun within reach, and no family separated for the night without dismal forebodings. The enemy was of their own household. But the defeat of the insurgents in Virginia, and summary punishment upon the rebellions in North Carolina, at length restored quiet, and though those disturbances will never be forgotten, they will be remembered as things that cannot be repeated.

While man reassumed his accustomed calm, nature proceeded to do the same, and after a daily obscurity of some weeks, the sun shone out with his usual brilliancy and fervor. A solution to this phenomenon has never been offered. It seems never to have attracted the attention of philosophers. It may have been owing to dense exhalations from previous copious rains, which hung suspended in the air, without assuming the cloud form. Why the sun, however, should have assumed the green hue, seems beyond explanation. It certainly did, however, and left the face of the King of day exposed to the irreverent curiosity of the profane, showing more patches than he is generally willing to acknowledge.

A LAD OF PROMISE.—"Nehemiah, my love," said Mrs Wilkins to her first born, who was just entering his twelfth year, "what has become of your Sunday pantaloons?"

'I swapped 'em away, mother, for a book.'

"I am delighted, my son, to find you so devoted to study. Not for twenty pair of pantaloons would I baulk the bent of your genius. But what book do you find so irresistibly attractive, my dear boy? 'Pilgrim's Progress,' or the 'Whole Duty of Man.'"

"No, ma'am, it wasn't 'zackly that, but something of the same nature; it was the 'Whole Art of Boxing!'"