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Subscribers will procure nine subscribers and receive the payments, shall receive a tenth part of the subscription.

Advertisements not exceeding four columns inserted three times for one dollar, and five for each continuance.

Orders received by the printer, and sent to postmasters in the state.

Advertisements on business relative to the paper will be published.

Advertisements of a religious nature, who possess a copy of the paper, are invited to favour the publication.

CAMP-MEETINGS. THE HILLSBOROUGH DISTRICT, N. C.

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FOR SALE.

THE subscriber offers for sale the large and convenient dwelling house and lot where he now lives, in the town of Hillsborough. The lot contains an acre of ground. The house contains eight rooms, well finished, with a large garret room; adjoining the house is a dining room, 30 by 16 feet, well finished. The other improvements on the lot are a kitchen, smoke house, barn, stable, carriage house, &c. and a well of excellent water within a few feet of the kitchen door. It would form an eligible situation for a large family, or any person disposed to keep a private boarding house.

The terms will be accommodating. Any application by mail, for further and more particular information, will be attended to without delay.

John Witherspoon. July 16 27-1f

THE editor of the Raleigh Register is requested to publish the above in his paper for eight weeks.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber wishes to sell his Lot, with the improvements thereon, in the town of Hillsborough. The dwelling house is well calculated for a small family, and is situated near an excellent spring. He will take in part payment a good work horse, and the balance in good notes, bearing interest from the date, and endorsed by the purchaser if required. For further information, or any absence, inquire of Thomas Clancy, Esq.

Levi McCollum August 15 30-3wp

CAMP-MEETINGS.

THE following Camp-Meetings will be held in Newbern District: The 1st at Salem meeting-house, in Orange county, 15 miles from Hillsborough, to commence the 20th and conclude the 26th of August; the 2d, six miles south of Raleigh, near the main street road, will commence the 29th, and conclude the 30th of August; the 3d, at Mount Pleasant meeting-house, in Chatham county, 10 miles from Chapel Hill, to begin the 12th, and end the 16th of September; the 4th, at Kingswood meeting-house, in Granville county, 15 miles from Oxford, and 30 from Raleigh, to commence the 20th, and continue till the 24th of September; and on Thursday, the 20th of August, a Local Conference, for said District, will commence in Raleigh, to which the Local Preachers, within the bounds of the district, are respectfully invited.

Wm. Compton. July 16 1822

Five Cents Reward.

RAN away from the subscriber, on Friday the 9th instant, an indentured servant girl by the name of LIZZY WOODS, about seventeen years of age. The above reward will be given to any person who will return her to me, but no thanks for the service; and all persons are forbid harbouring or employing her under the penalty of the law.

Margret Riggs. Aug 15 31-3wp

GRAVE STONES.

THE subscriber has received seven or eight pairs of handsome stones, for graves, from two to four feet long, faced and headed sufficiently wide to receive any inscription usually put on grave stones. Those wishing to procure such an article can have the inscription put on in a handsome manner by the subscriber, and if none now on hand should please those who want, almost any size can be obtained at short notice.

The stones were taken from a quarry about eighteen miles below this place, and are of a light grey colour, but little inferior to marble, and will cost from four to ten dollars per pair, exclusive of freightage. Specimens of the same and lettering can be seen on application.

Wm. Huntington. Mar 11 18--

ALEXANDER & HARRISON.

HAVE on hand the following articles, which they will sell at very reduced prices to suit the times.

Best Saddles, cut back trees, at \$16 00 cash. Plated Gilt Harness, 40 00 Common ditto, 25 00 Plated Carriage Harness, elegant, 85 00 Common ditto, 55 00 Breach Bands, by the pair, 8 50 Blind Bridles, 2 25

and all other articles in proportion. They will also credit their work six and twelve months, at a moderate advance on the above prices, or receive in payment any kind of produce. Their shop is on Queen Street over Dr Webb's medical shop.

January 9, 1822. 180-1f

Education for the Deaf and Dumb.

THE Philadelphia Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, being now completely organized, and under the care of David G. McKays, an experienced teacher of that description of persons, is ready for the reception of pupils. Applications made by parents or guardians to the undersigned gentlemen, will meet with prompt attention.

Richard Poyall, No 115, S. 9th-st. Washington Jackson, No 75 S. 3d-st. William Prier, No 39, N 2d-st. Nicholas C. Niswender, corner of 5th and Powell streets. John Swift, No 58, S. 6th-st. Committee of General Superintendance.

Editors of newspapers in the several states of the union, are requested to give the above advertisement a few insertions.

June 26. 25-

JOB PRINTING. Executed at this office with neatness and despatch.

UNION HOTEL.

THE Union Hotel, in Hillsborough, formerly occupied by Henry Thompson, jr. Esquire, and lately by Mr. William Clifton, is now open for the accommodation of genteel travellers, and others who may think proper to call. The subscriber, as superintendent, pledges himself that he will use every exertion in his power to merit a portion of public patronage.

Thomas Scott. Hillsborough, July 29, 1822. 29-6w

The editors of the Raleigh Register, Fayetteville Observer, and Halifax Compiler are requested to give the above four insertions in their respective papers, and forward their accounts to this office for payment.

Land to be Leased.

THE land in the Haw Fields, belonging to the heirs of the late Wm. P. Strudwick, will be leased out for one and five years, on Tuesday the 28th August, 1-22. Terms made known at the time, and attendance given, at the Market House in Hillsborough, by James Webb, Guardian.

July 17. 27-1m

D. HEARTT

Proposes publishing, in Hillsborough, N. C. a religious paper, to be entitled THE NORTH-CAROLINA Evangelical Intelligencer.

In which will be given the most important information relative to the spread of the gospel, and the consequent melioration of the condition of the human family, with such other intelligence as may be interesting to the church as readers, occasionally enlivened with religious and moral essays, and lighter articles tending to promote christian charity and heavenly-mindedness.

PROSPECTUS.

TO a contemplative mind it is pleasing to look abroad over the various portions of the globe, and observe the improvements which are daily taking place in the condition of mankind. We perceive the dark clouds of ignorance and error, of superstition and fanaticism, gradually wasting away, and the horizon gilded with a brightness indicating the approach of a morning glorious to humanity and rich with blessings to the child of man. These heart-cheering prospects are the natural results of extended information, but more particularly the blessed effects of an expanding knowledge of the divine precepts of the christian religion. A general thirst for knowledge seems to be awakened, and the efforts now making by missionary, bible, and other societies, to diffuse the religion of the gospel, and to subvert a more extensive empire of civil, moral, and religious duties, are attended with a success cheering to the heart of the philanthropist.

It is under such circumstances that we present to the friends of christianity in this and the neighboring states, proposals for publishing in this place a weekly paper, calculated to aid the cause in which so many are engaged, and are induced to hope that such an establishment would not be among the least efficient means of promoting religious information. By the multiplication of political papers the minds of the people of this favoured country have been enlightened in the science of government above all the nations of the earth. Through the same means is it not reasonable to expect that moral darkness may be dissipated, the love of religion be incited, and a warmth be infused into the hearts of believing christians which would urge them to still greater exertions? For though we are pleased in contemplating the general advancement of christian knowledge, and the meliorated condition of mankind; yet we find much to lament when we look around us and perceive how many are still enveloped in stolid ignorance, the victims of vice and immorality. Though living in a christian land, there are some, alas many, who never enter a church, who never open a bible, who never reflect on the cause or the purpose of their existence. May not the diffusion of religious intelligence tend to remove this listlessness? May it not excite to inquiry? May it not lead to conviction to reformation? The continual droppings of water wears the hardest stones; may not weekly admonitions and repeated examples melt hearts of stone? Surely there is room to hope that the contemplated work, if properly encouraged, may contribute in some small degree, towards hastening that glorious period, when "the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills, and all nations shall flow unto it."

In presenting this prospectus to the public, it is unnecessary farther to explain the nature of the proposed publication. In its conduct, all possible care will be taken to select such matter as may be most interesting and instructive, and the promised assistance of several eminent divines, it is expected, will add usefulness and respectability to the work.

CONDITIONS.

The Evangelical Intelligencer will be published once a week, and contain eight quarto pages, neatly printed on good paper.

The price will be three dollars a year, if paid in advance; otherwise four dollars will be demanded.

No subscriptions received for less than one year; and no subscription will be discontinued until all arrears are paid, unless at the option of the publisher. A failure to give notice before the end of the year of a wish to discontinue, will be considered as a new engagement.

To persons procuring eight subscribers, and remitting the amount of the subscriptions, the paper will be sent gratis.

The publication will commence as soon as sufficient encouragement is obtained to defray the expense.

Persons holding subscriptions are requested to forward to this office the names of the subscribers they may have obtained - retaining the proposals till further notice.

The Shorter Catechism, For sale at this office, by the gross, dozen, or single.



Rural Economy.

And your rich soil, Exuberant, nature's better blessings pour O'er every land."

For the Hillsborough Recorder.

O fortunatos nimium, sua si bona norint, Agricolas!

MR. EDITOR.

Suffer me to occupy the attention of that portion of your readers, whose occupation it is, to cultivate the soil, while I submit to their consideration a few observations on the necessity of adopting the most improved system of husbandry. Every person of the least observation, may discover, that our farmers generally are not sufficiently impressed with the great importance of improving their soil, and of using more effectual means of success in the art. There are some who, though not sufficiently sensible of the great improvement of which the art is susceptible, admit that it is possible for the soil to be benefitted by proper management; yet they never once make use of the means, and still go on in the same practical way in which their ancestors walked. It certainly is matter of surprise, that so many, who are called good farmers in their own way, and who possess every faculty requisite to constitute good agriculturists, should still persist in their old routine of practice, when there are so many powerful inducements and so many advantages for gaining instruction in this all important art. A slight view of the progress of agriculture, in our mother country, and even in our own country, should be a sufficient inducement for a reformation in our present system of cultivation. When we look back and trace the steps of the art among the English, we see that it often remained stationary for a considerable time, and frequently dwindled in the hands of those miserable agriculturists. If possible, the art was at a lower ebb than it is, or ever has been, in some sections of this state, yet we see to what a degree of perfection husbandry has arrived beyond the Atlantic, in the course of the last fifty or hundred years, by the united efforts of men, who, by their philosophy and practice, have completely developed the principles of the art, and have brought them within the comprehension of those to whom they were before quite unintelligible. Since the establishment of the English Board of Agriculture, husbandry wears a different aspect. It was before an occupation which rather led to poverty; now it affords abundant means of subsistence, and crowns the industrious farmer with a plentiful harvest. Let us also consider what the condition of agriculture was but a few years ago in some of the sister states, where it is now so flourishing, and we will find that the same destructive round of operations was pursued, the same erroneous opinions entertained, as to the correct mode of cultivation, which were practiced and handed down by the preceding generations. All the mysteries of the art, were to be learnt by closely following the plow's tail, and engaging in other manual operations. It was considered as entirely simple in all its branches so much so as not to require any study or general principles, which would enable the farmer to change his place of operation, provided new combinations of contingences should occur. But as soon as a few individuals, who availed themselves of the experiments and the information contained in English books on agriculture infused a spirit of enquiry and reformation into the breast of those around them, improvements began to move apace. Societies were soon formed for promoting the interest of the art; experiments were made, which proved beyond a doubt that much might be effected by a more judicious and rational mode of cultivation. It is unnecessary for me to notice fully the great encouragement which some states in the union have given to the cause of agricul-

ture; for a better idea may be obtained from various publications. Although the art has not yet obtained the highest degree of perfection possible, yet it is making rapid advances. Then should not every farmer who is the least concerned for this noble cause, be induced from a view of the improvements which have been made within so short a period, and from the facility of acquiring agricultural information, to abandon his present land killing system, and adopt one which will restore fertility to the soil, and render it productive.

The pursuit of husbandry, from its nature, is calculated to excite, in those engaged in it, a spirit of emulation, and a desire to excel in its pursuits. Every farmer should be so much interested in his occupation, as to strive to surpass his neighbor in the skillful management of his farm, and in the luxuriance and abundance of his harvest. The prevalence of such a spirit of emulation would be productive of much good; and our farmers would be induced, from the consideration which would present themselves, to alter their course. What else but a great ignorance of agriculture, prevents farmers in general from taking more in crease, as from no greater anxiety for distinction, in these pursuits. It is to be regretted that this all important subject has less time and labour devoted to it, than many other subjects of minor importance. North-Carolina has made very considerable provisions for the education of her youth, for the opening of her rivers, &c. but what has she done for the poor farmer? It is true that a society has been formed by the name of the North Carolina Agricultural Society; but it is to be recollected that this society was the work of individuals, not of the state. There has likewise been societies formed in two or three counties, by the laudable exertions of individuals; and it is sincerely hoped and believed that much good will be effected by these establishments.

There is yet another inducement for adopting a different mode of cultivation, which should have its due weight. The constant complaints which we daily hear of the great scarcity of provisions, and of the prospect of a greater yet to come, should convince us of the necessity of pursuing a better system. Certainly none will deny that this scarcity is occasioned by improper management, and by the miserable system of farming which has prevailed so long, and which has at length impoverished the soil and rendered it so lean and unproductive. Look at the farmer who by his prudence and foresight, prevents his soil from washing, and continues to restore those fertilizing principles which his crops yearly exhaust, and we shall find that his granaries are well stored. On the contrary, we see that those who are ignorant of the art, and have almost entirely exhausted their land by a continual succession of crops, while vast quantities of manure are suffered to waste away around their barns, are most apt to complain of the difficulty in obtaining a subsistence. It must be admitted by all that the mode of cultivation most common, is extremely deficient, and that our farmers will be under the necessity of abandoning it, and of adopting one which will at least ensure them support. I might accumulate inducements until your patience would be exhausted; I must therefore submit what has been already said to your consideration.

M. N. E. P. R. Orange county, August 13, 1822.

DOG STAR AND DOG-DAYS.

The ancient Egyptians, in their observations on the stars, had noticed that when a certain star of considerable magnitude first appeared above the horizon in the morning, just before dawn, the overflowing of the Nile immediately followed. Before warned by this precursor, they retired to the highlands to escape the inundation, carrying with them things necessary for their retreat. As this star performed for them the service of the house-dog, by warning them of approaching danger, they called it the dog-star, and supposing that this star was the cause of the extraordinary heat, which usually falls out in that season, they gave the name of dog days to 4 or 8

BLANKS of various kinds, FOR SALE AT THIS OFFICE.