The Courier.

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All letters addressed to
GEO. S. BAKER,

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The Orphan Asylum.

The above named institution calls loudly upon our people for a generous support. It is deserving, and if properly sustained will be of incalculable value to the hundreds of needy and ignorant orphans of our State. We have noticed this enterprise several in times in our paper, but feel that we have not said enough, nor do we think that too much can be said in its favor; having as it does for its aim, the mental and moral culture of the fatherless and homeless little children, who but for this noble enterprise, would have grown up in ignorance, as waifs to drift whithersoever chance might direct.

The establishment of this home and school was a thought that could only spring from noble and good minds, and the carrying of that thought into execution was a charity almost divine. The reality is before us—a portion of the children are there — competent teachers at work, and it only remains for the whole people of the State to give of their substance so liberally that not one of the many unfortunate, who ask for admittance shall be refused. Already the "slogan" has been sounded and many have responded to the call. Liberal hearts have given, and willing hand and heads have labored; and yet the work is only begun. The ball has only been set in motion and it must not be allowed to stop; up hill it must continue to roll until it shall reach the summit. It seems to us that an endowment ought to be raised in the same manner, as for Colleges so that its success shall not be dependent upon the offerings that charity may at different times bestow. In this great work that has been begun too much praise cannot be given that ANCIENT and NOBLE ORDER of men who most of all are the patrons of this most commendable enterprise.

The ladies of our State have at all times and under all circumstances shown themselves willing and ready to aid in whatsoever might be of service to the people, or of honor to their native State. And in the sustaining of this HOME for the HOMELESS they will we are sure most nobly bear their portion of the burden, for when did Carolina call on her daughters in vain? For the ignorance and suffering of these destitute little ones they feel the deepest interest and will we are sure evince the greatest aid, as they who "rock the cradle rock the world."

Commencement Exercises of Louisburg Female College

Which took place on Wednesday and Thursday night the 9th and 10th, was largely attended, and the exercises redounded most creditably to the College.

On Wednesday night the chapel was densely crowded, while many were not able to get in. The three graduates Misses Furman, Hall and Harris, in their Essays acquitted themselves with the greatest credit.

The oration delivered by the orator for the occasion, Col. W. F. Green, and of which we have spoken elsewhere, was emphatical the *feature* of the Commencement.

On Thursday night the Chapel was again crowned with the *elite* of the county who were in attendance on the Concert. The music, vocal and instrumental was of a high order, the young ladies showing themselves thorough in this department.

FOR THE COURIER.

MR. EDITOR.—It has been remarked of your correspondent by one of his intimate friends that '——has cotten on the brain'. It is a very good thing for one to have there, provided the said one has at the same time plenty of the same article on the market—unencumbered. (Your correspondent merely imagines that condition which follows the word 'provided" for he cant speak from experience.) Otherwise it is not a pleasant thing to have on the brain. If one's crop is late and a drought prevails: if one's crop is very grassy, and there is great scarcity and demand for labor, and if one is working to pay out of debt, and got nothing on the market, then it is a bad thing to 'have cotton on the brain". A deuced bad thing Mr. Editor. The staple gets twisted and tied and tangled into the very substance of the brain. It tickles and it worries: One scratches his head—no relief. It irritates, it pains, and really sir it sometimes brings on a train of diseases. These complaints however wear away in a great measure generally after cool weather sets in; and whem one gets his little crop into market he improves rapidly, especially when he gets 13 cents for cotton that cost him 12, and after paying up accounts with his commission Merchant finds a leetle balance in favor of Cr., and actually chuckles that he has not got to go to the Poor House this time, but has one more chance——On mortgage.

We spoke just now of one's 'having cotton on the market unencumbered.'—We can idly told you Mr. Editor, we were unacquainted with the pleasure of that, And now we claim the privilege of saying we are not exactly of that class who suffer the perplexity entailed by this. And yet there are many men, many good hard working men whose experience is this. Many have in proud old Warren, and perhaps just as many in dear old Franklin. It is a bad picture, but while every body has 'cotton on the brain' there is no remedy or relief. You may write a column in your paper every week (and every Daily and Weekly, and Monthly in the South may do like-wise in every issue) urging the people to give attention in their agricultural persuits to the necessities of life, and you will not be heard. 'Cotton on the brain' can no more be cured by Press prescriptions and appeals, than the Asiatic Cholora can be checked in its progress by the whistling of an M. D. The more you physic it the worse it will grow, let it run its course like the Whooping Cough. May be it will expand the Southern brain, just as the Whooping Cough does a bay's lungs.

We all down here (down by the water courses; up if North is up) cultivate cotton and corn almost exclusively. Three fourths of the crop being cotton. Last year the difference was hardly so great this spring, the price stimulated the farmers to plant more cotton, and much uplands which were in corn last year has been fertilized, and is now growing cotton.

Notwithstanding the draw back given our crops by wet weather in May, they look flourishing, and are clean of grass: If this condition of crops in the South generally can be reported, we should regard it as bad, good-news. It would augur of course a large yield, which would (or might) put cotton down to a figure that would be ruinous.

But your Correspondent and the few friends of the same, and all the acquaintances of the same, and the acquaintances of the friends of the same, and all thumb-twiddling farmers in these good Counties of Franklin and Warren, are ready to acknowledge that hope exist (and are cherished) of Caterpillars, Boll worms &c, sweeping over the South—Warren, Franklin and a few of their sisters excepted. Not passing gently and harmlessly in one place, and destructively in another, but just evenly cutting off every man's crop one half. Is this uncharitable and unchristian Mr. Editor? We think not!—What is the difference between an Hundred bales of cotton 12½ cents and 50 bales, at 25 cents. We are not wishing our neighbors bad luck: we are only wishing ourselves extremely good, in truth we are wishing well for all, for a short crop would really benefit the South, whereas a large one would prove disastrous. I guess we are all tired of this subject just now: but what else shall I write about? I could tell you that we live not far from the Halifax Line, six or seven miles from the R. & G. R. R. whose nearest point is about half way between Macon and Littleton Depots; that we are surrounded by a set of industerious, hard-working, stay-at home farmers, each intent on his own duties and business; that the country is full of Stores, and that they all seem to be doing well, but I dont see how these things would interest you. I might tell you of five Mills, that are all within seven miles of us and might speak particularly of a large manufacturing mill with saw mill and gin attached, very recently built by G. Branch Alston; near his store on Little Fishing Creek, about one mile from where said stream enters Halifax. But what care you to know how fast Mr. Alston's saw cuts timber, or what nice fine meal his mills turn out, or how cleanly his Gin picks cotton; you will hardly haul the timber from here with which to build the new COURIER office, you will not send here to mill and I have no doubt with the 80 saw Gin in the House on the mill pond and your numerous other Gins in the County you can all gin your crops without hauling to Warren. All granted! And you want to know why I write at all? Well here is a reason or two.—We were born in dear old Franklin; our school boy days were there. Many companions of those school days have passed away,—some quietly,—some in the roar of battle—all we trust to happier homes above. There are many other ties stronger far than the memory of school-boy days and their friendship; there are many other ties far less strong. We love our native county, we love her people and her Institutions. We are proud of the successful enterprise of her business men. We feel interested in her schools, her College and her Churches: We want to see the one's prosperous and flourishing, and the others expanding, extending in influence and good works.

It is a dull place for news where we live, Mr. Editor,—nothing but toil toil, with to-day repeating yesterday, but we think we must write sometimes, for we are not quite willing to be entirely isolated from you all. This letter is already very long unless there were more in it, but before concluding, we beg to say this, viz, that while it is our opinion that every man is (in the main) architect of his own fortune no one is entirely independent, and no one man without sympathy and co-operation can build up an institution or enterprise intended to be public, and no matter how manfully, and nobly you may work in your undertaking to benefit your county through the paper that you have established, you can not build up and keep up a Journal of high standard without the sympathy, the good-will and the assistance of your own home folks,—our countymen. The times are full of interest: replete with subjects worthy of profitable discussion, and there are scores of men in Franklin County who are able to discuss them to the enlightment of the people. Throw open your columns to them, and pride in their county paper if nothing else will call them out. Let every man in the county take the paper and pay the patry $2,00, and then let him get his friends from another county to do likewise.

If the Franklin COURIER does not prove a success, and prosper many years, the good people of Franklin will be ashamed of the failure.

Respectfully,
AMICUS.

Warren Co., N. C. July 3 d 1873.

Constitutional Amendments.

The following are the eight proposed amendments to the State constitution, to be voted on the first Thursday in August, and which were agreed to at the last session of the General Assembly:

I.

Amend section five of the said article, by striking out all that precedes "the said Senate District," and by striking out the phrase, 'as aforesaid or,' in said section; the part so stricken out having reference to the State census,

II.

Amend section two of the second article by striking out the word 'annually,' and inserting in lieu thereof the word "biennially" being in reference to the sessions of the General Assembly,

Amend section six of the third article striking out the word "annually" and inserting in lieu thereof the biennially,' so as to conform to the provisions respecting the sessions of the General Assembly.

III.

Amend section sixth of the fifth article, by inserting after the word "instrument,' in said section, the words 'or end other personal property,"

IV.

Strike out the words, 'Superintendent of Public Works, wherever they occur in the Constitution, thus abolishing that office.

V.

Amend section six of the first article by stricking out the first clause thereof, down to and including the word 'but,' this being the clause relating to the State debt.

Strike out section four of the fifth article relating to taxation to pay the State debt interest.

VI.

Strike out section five of the ninth article, and in lieu thereof insert the following; "The General Assembly shall have power to provide for the election of trustees of the University of North Carolina, in whom, when chosen, shall be vested all the privileges, rights franchises and endowments heretofore in anywise granted to or conferred upon the trustees of said University; and the General Assembly may make such provisions, laws and regulations, from time to time, as may be necessary and expedient for the maintenance and management of said University."

Strike out sections thirteen, fourteen and fifteen of the ninth article, relating to the University of North Carolina.

VII

Strike out sections two and three of the fourth article, being the provisions which refer to the appointment and duties of the code commissioner.

VIII.

Alter section seven of the fourteenth article so that said section shall read as follows; No person who shall hold any office or place of trust or profit under the United States or any department thereof, or under this State, or under any other State or government, shall hold or exercise any other office or place of trust or profit under the authority of this State, or be eligible to a seat in either House of the General Assembly; Provided. That nothing herein contained shall extend to offices in the militia, justices of the peace commissioners of public charities, or commissioners for special purposes.

Rest.

BY FATHER RYAN.

My feet are wearied, and my hands are tired—
My soul oppressed—
And with desire have I long desired
Rest—only rest.
Tis hard to toil—when toil is almost vain
In barren ways;
'Tis hard to sow, and never garner grain
In harvest days.
The burden of my days is hard to bear—
But God knows best.
And I have prayed—but vain has been my prayer—
For rest—sweet rest.
'Tis hard to plant in Spring, and never reap
The Autumn' yield;
'Tis hard to till—and when 'tis tilled to weep
O'er fruitless field.
And so I cry a weak and human cry,
Sore heart-oppressed;
And so I sigh a weak and human sigh
For rest—for rest.
My way has wound across the desert years,
And cares infest
My path, and through the flowing of hot years
I pined for rest.
'Twas always so when still a child, I laid
On mother's breast
My wearied little head; e'en then I prayed,
As now, for rest.
And I am restless still; 'twill soon be o'er;
For, down the West,
Life's sun is setting, and I see the shore
Where I shall rest.

[*Star and Catholic Messenger.*

Cure For Toothache. Among the many virtues of carbolic acid is that of giving relief from the pain of toothache. To one drachm of collodium flexile, add two drachms of Calvert's carbolic acid, full strength. A gelatinous mass is precipitated. A small portion of this precipitate inserted into the cavity of an aching tooth gives immediate relief. It may be kept in the cavity by means of a bit of lint dipped in the collodium.

A man out in Germantown purchased a sun dial last week and set it up in his yard according to the printed directions, He is so fascinated with it that he goes out every night before retiring, and examines the dial with a candle, so as to set his watch by the correct time. He wants to trade that watch now, because he says it loses as much as thirty-five or forty hours every night since he got the sun-dial.

The Effects of the Cattle Plague.—Old Lady: I wish to purchase a copy of Lord Byron's works, bound in calf. Shopman: Yes, ma'am; will this one suit you? Old Lady: The calf looks very dull and blotched; can you show me another! Shopman: They are all the same, I can assure you, ma'am: its in consequence of the cattle plague.

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20 Bbls, New Herrings
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TO THE LADIES OF FRANKLIN.

Those splendid trimmed Hats made specially to our order. Handsomer and finer than any ever before brought to this market, are now on exhibition. Make your selection.
KING, WHITE & SHAW.

ATTENTION.

I beg leave to call special notice to my card, to be found under the head of Professional Cards. In a practice of upwards of 30 years I have some valuable receipts of my own and other Physicians and as mileage makes the largest item in Doctors bills—I must to do much office practice. and say to all who have obstinate Chills Liver diseases, Dyspepsia, Rheumatism (particularly chronic) Dysentery &c., to call, and I think I can cure or greatly benefit them. WM. M. CRENSHAW.

FLOUR! FLOUR! FLOUR!

A large stock, and prices to suit.
Terrell & Harris.

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NEW GOODS!

BARGAINS! BARGAINS!!

We are now receiving a full assortment of Dry Goods, Notions Hats Boots, Shoes, Hardware, Cutlery, &c.
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Pure rystal Palace White Lead.

2,000 Lbs of the above celebrated brand of lead has just been received. We can supply parties with the above article, cheaper than it can be delivered to them in small quantities at the depot, Boiled Linseed Oil, at $1,25 per gallon.
H. S. FURMAN & Co.,
july 11 tf. Franklinton, N. C.

CHAPTER CXXXVIII.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF FRANKLIN TO LEVY A SPECIAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE OUTSTANDING DEBT OF SAID COUNTY.

SECTION 1. The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact, That the board of commissioners of Franklin county be and they are hereby authorized in addition to the tax which they may have power to assess, under the general revenue law of the State, to levy a special tax not exceeding one-fourth of one per centum on both real and personal property of said county for the year A. D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, for the purpose of paying the outstanding debt of said county incurred prior to the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, said tax to be levied and collected as other taxes.

SEC. 2. That no tax shall be levied under this act until the question shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the county at an election to be held under the direction of the commissioners, and approved by a majority of those voting thereon.

SEC 3 That the same amount shall be levied on each taxable poll as is levied on three hundred dollars' worth of property.

SEC. 4. That the taxes levied and collected under this act shall be applied "pro rata" by said commissioners to the payment of the debts of the said county of Franklin incurred prior to the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three,

SEC. 5. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified the 3d day of March, 1873.
july 11-5w

Cotton, Cotton,

Wanted immediately, to fill an order, One Hundred Bales of good cotton, for which we will pay the very highest cash price
Barrow & Pleasants,

Herrings, Herrings.

New North Carolina Herrings, number one, Family Roe and Cut, for sale by KING, WHITE & SHAW

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One Hundred Bales of common Cotton wanted immediately, for which the highest cash price will be paid
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Bacon, western or country,
Lard, in kegs or barrels.
Molasses, all grades, from 40 to 90 cts.
Coffee, Sugar, Rice, Tea, &c,
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300 bushels of Corn for sale.
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MEAL! MEAL

Just ground and fresh. Give us a call.
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The Astrial Oil is purer, clearer, safer and gives better light, than any other oil in use, for sale at 60 cts. cash, 75 cts. when charged,

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SADDLES! SADDLES!!

Saddle Clothes, Bridles, Haulters, &c, Terrell & Harris.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

We would call your attention to the magnificent stock of Watches, Diamonds Jewelry and Silver ware now offered by J. T. YOUNG & BRO., corner Sycamore and Bank Streets, Petersburg, Va. Such bargains as they are offering are rarely seen. By all means when you visit Petersburg go and see them.

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Two men can easily pack a 500 lb, bale of Cotton, and it is so arranged that the power and working force can be doubled, if necessary. Packs as compact a bale as the old fashioned screw with half the labor, Can be run by the gin-power or by water and steam by putting wheels in place of the cranks.

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apr 25-3m.

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P. B. HAWKINS.
Jun 27-1873

ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. H. Mitchell,

FRANKLINTON, N. C.

To the People of Franklin County!

COME GREETING,

BRINGING GOOD NEWS.

I have just returned from the Northern cities, where I purchased a very complete stock of general merchandize, and which I am determined to sell cheap. Call and see me before you make your Spring purchases. See a partial list of the articles making up my stock. Dress goods, a very great variety. Ladies hats trimmed and untrimmed.

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W. H. MITCHELL.
apr 11—tf, Franklinton, N. C.

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mh 7-tf. Louisburg, N. C.

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