

EDITORIAL REVIEW.

ESCAPED PRISONERS.

Three prisoners escaped from the jail last Sunday night. No one can attach any blame to the Sheriff or his deputy, from the fact that the jail is incomplete—work on it still going on.

ATTENTION.

The Democratic-Conservative Executive Committee is requested to meet in Raleigh on the 15th of March, next. The object is to determine where to hold the State Convention.

THE FARMERS.

We were somewhat surprised that our editorial, last week, addressed to the farmers, met with such hearty greeting. And we have also been requested to ask our exchanges to copy it, and we are of opinion that it would be of incalculable benefit to farmers throughout the South if the idea advanced by us, in that plain and simple article, were properly observed.

We are perfectly willing, if they will take our advice, to do all we can to free them. We want it distinctly understood that THE CONCORD SUN is the farmer's friend, and if they will only help us with their influence to spread our paper broadcast, we will try to show them how to break up this infernal gouging system of "futures."

THE JOHNSON FAMILY.

In response to our request to furnish us historical data relative to the early settlement of this county, we have been handed the following authentic sketch. We publish it with pleasure and hope to secure more of the same kind.

SKETCH

OF THE LIFE OF

JOHN JOHNSON.

Mr. John Johnson, was a native of England. He was in the British naval service about the year 1700 when he was ship-wrecked on an island in the Atlantic Ocean. Saved by the Almighty providence, he arrived in this country in the year 1701 landing in Virginia.

Mrs. Mary Johnson was born in Ireland, date not known. Her father, James McQuirt, came to this country when she was about two years old. He was ship-wrecked on an island where he and his family had to stay about 5 months.

New York pays her Governor \$10,000 a year.

Correspondence.

ALBEMARLE ITEMS.

FEBRUARY, 10.

Scarcely anything of interest has transpired since last writing—everything is going on in the usual quiet way.

Sheriff Hearne returned Tuesday with the prisoner Carter from Arkansas and was the centre of an eager crowd anxious to see Carter and hear the news—it is thought the trial will be moved from here to Anson or Montgomery county.

Col. Robinson was not successful in getting the Patrons of Husbandry organized in this place, although he worked hard for it for three days, the people, it seems, could not or would not, see the advantages to be derived from it and were backward in coming up.

Mr. J. Turner of Center, a young lawyer of fine abilities, has moved his head quarters to this place, and will follow his profession here.

We had a marriage here last Saturday. Mr. John G. Earnhardt and Miss Elizabeth Lentz—S. S. Stone Esq. officiating. From the haste the couple were in it was suspected that it was clandestine.

MILL HILL ITEMS.

MILL HILL, Feb. 10.

MR. EDITOR: We hope all our promises in life will not prove to be like the one made to THE CONCORD SUN some months ago.

A singing school, taught at Bethpage by Mr. Smith, of Rowan, closed last Saturday. We recommend Mr. S. to all congregations wishing to improve their church music.

On the evening of the 3rd, the young people of Mill Hill and vicinity were invited to a tea party at the residence of Mr. Sam. Johnston's. The time was passing quickly in social intercourse, when we were invited to partake of a bountiful and nicely-prepared supper.

We extend you a cordial invitation to join "that glorious rabbit hunt" on the 22nd. Every one is expected to furnish at least two dogs.

["Thar, now," we can't attend, for we haven't a do(r)g to save your life. We want to buy 72 dogs at once; we don't intend to be deprived of accepting the next invitation to run rabbits, fox or wild geese, because we are not the owner of one or two canines. However, accept our best wishes for a fine time, and report casualties.]—Ed.

BEAR CREEK ITEMS.

Your egg puzzle is this: Sold at 9 cents per dozen and 54 cents per piece. Pass another dish.

A great many children are sick with colds and fevers.

Your editorial last week addressed to the farmers is highly appreciated. Every paper in the South should copy it, or write one of the same sort. Do so again.

The axe, mail, and wedge are being put aside. Compost heaps are growing, deep ploughing commenced upon, old fences made new, farming utensils remodeled, orchards pruned and fixed up. Peach and plum trees are budding and young chickens are hatching.

One of our boys was badly puzzled a few days ago. He saw a Yankee notice that any one who would send one dollar and forty cents would get a genuine D Flute. He sent the "spens," and now he

says that "genuine D Flute" is nothing but a—horn!

FRANK. [That young man had better subscribe to THE SUN, it won't hurt him half as bad as that flute.]—Ed.

SOUTHERN MANUFACTURES.—The question of manufactures is one of the most important that can interest the South. It is bound to play a prominent part in her future history and prosperity; and in speaking of her progress in that direction, the Augusta Constitutionalist gives the following very cheerful figures.

In 1870 the Southern mills took only ninety thousand bales of cotton, in 1871 they increased the amount to ninety-one thousand two hundred and forty bales, in 1872 it was raised to one hundred and twenty thousand, in 1873 to one hundred and thirty-seven thousand six hundred and sixty-two, in 1874 it fell off to one hundred twenty-six, and in 1875 it rose to one hundred and forty-five thousand and seventy-nine.

These figures show, encourage our people to embark in the manufacture of cotton here at home. It seems the height of folly to raise cotton here, ship it North, and buy it back again after it has been manufactured into goods. There ought to be a cotton factory right here in Charlotte, and we hope some time during the present generation to see the time when all the cotton which is raised in this belt of country, will be manufactured into goods right here at home.—Observer.

At Indianapolis the work of sentencing the whiskey convicts has begun. The Deputy Collector was sentenced to three years' imprisonment and one thousand dollars fine.

The Rockingham Courier says: Vick & Mebane of Wilmington shipped on last Monday 10 bales of Rockingham Sheeting to England. This is an experiment which will no doubt prove successful. The Graniteville and other Southern factories have shipped goods to England with satisfactory results; and we are inclined to believe that the Great Falls will be more successful, for it is an admitted fact that the sheeting manufactured here is of finer quality than that of any other factory in the South.

The Hickory Press says: A gentleman from Watauga county informs us that a lady, Mrs. Kirby, living near the Richland settlement in Caldwell, lost eight children with the diphtheria. Four of them were lying dead in the house at once and were all carried to their lonely resting places together.

PERSONAL.—Col. Julian Allen, who last Fall purchased a plantation near Statesville, and will introduce improved farming, sheep raising, &c., returned to this place from New York, last Friday morning, for the purpose of directing the management of his plantation, making arrangements for the erection of a comfortable house and other corresponding improvements, the ensuing Summer. Col. Allen's design is to locate in Iredell, rent out his Brooklyn City property, and continue his mercantile house in New York, with a branch in Statesville for leaf tobacco trade.

England imports eggs to the value of \$12,500,000.

Among the relics which North Carolina will contribute to the Centennial exhibition are the chair occupied by Washington as Master of the Masonic Lodge at Alexandria and a part of a chest placed in a dungeon of the old Spanish fort of St. Mark at St. Augustine, Florida, in 1812, by Ponce de Leon.

Bob Grier, colored, in Steel Creek received a ball in the thigh from the pistol of a sable sister. A practical lesson in good manners he will not soon forget.—Home.

MECKLENBURG COURT.—The extra term of our Superior Court will open on the last Monday (28th) in this month. Our jail is filling up with work for the Court.—Home.

Large quantities of Ghana are being stored up in our town. It does not smell as sweet as ripe peaches, yet the sellers and buyers think they smell the "almighty dollar" in it.—Rutherford Regime.

SOUTHERN EXPRESS.—This company having bought out the little one horse Wooten concern, has put two messengers upon the W. N. O. R. B. and runs a daily line. Messrs. Alexander, Spears, Murphy and Walter Rankin are the obliging messengers. Our business men will be heartily glad of this change.—Watahman.

Mary Gentry, of Faceport, N. J., who killed her husband, has been found guilty of murder in the second degree and sentenced to fifteen years imprisonment.

It has been demonstrated that for all the telegraphic purpose the English language is from twenty-five to thirty-three per cent. cheaper than the French, German, or any other language.

The Whiskey Frauds in the West are still productive of crimes. Now it is charged that two Chicago Aldermen conspired to destroy a public building in Milwaukee in order to obliterate process of the frauds. The report is a startling one, but not surprising in view of the demoralization which was the result of the wide spread conspiracies to defraud the revenue in most of the Western cities.—N. Y. Herald.

It is estimated by competent calculators that the people of this country spend annually for liquor \$600,000,000. What colossal figures! Apply this sum annually to advancing the condition of humanity, and what a different picture we would look upon. \$600,000,000 spent annually to blight the happiness of the living and bring so much of hell upon earth.

The investigation of the case of G. W. Swepson, for the killing of A. G. Moore, resulted in his being bailed by the magistrates, on a bond of \$10,000 to appear before the next Superior Court of Alamance county. R. Y. McAdden and W. F. Askey are his bondsmen.—Greensboro Patriot.

The Raleigh News says that the question has been before the Supreme Court whether a verdict can stand that is rendered on Sunday. In the case of the State vs. Ricketts from Richmond county the council on both sides agreed Saturday evening to let the jury take the case and report to the Clerk their verdict if the court happening not to be in session. Sunday morning the jury came out and reported to the Clerk, guilty. But catch a lawyer? Ricketts counsel wheeled right around and appealed to the Supreme Court, contending the verdict couldn't stand, it was illegal to trespass on the holy day &c. The court has just decided the verdict good; two of the justices dissenting. Judge Rodman delivered the opinion. Ricketts is a negro and was convicted of perjury.

Heavy sleet and snow in Arkansas on the 4th instant.

18,144 Chinamen arrived in California last year.

200 workmen were killed by an explosion in a coal mine, in France, on the 6th instant.

The National Democratic Executive Committee meet in Washington on the 23d inst., to designate the place for holding the National Convention.

MORE RAILROAD DELIVERY BROUGHT TO THE BAR OF PUBLIC JUSTICE.—A special from Jackson, Miss., says that the committee appointed to investigate the case of Lieutenant-Governor Davis have reported that he is guilty of high crimes and misdemeanors, and charge that he accepted a bribe of \$600 for the pardon of Thomas H. Banontine, charged with the murder of Ann Thomas, in Lowndes county. The committee offered a resolution that Davis be impeached, which was made the special order for last Monday.

Peter Kistler, of Iredell county, aged 75 years, the other day married Miss Rachel Black, aged 54 years.

The Ohio river, last week, was covered with ice thicker than has been known there for over twenty years.

MARKETS.

CONCORD MARKET,

Tuesday, Feb. 14, 1876.

Table listing market prices for various goods including Cotton, Bacon, Flour, and other commodities with their respective prices per unit.

THE GREENSBORO PATRIOT,

Established 1821! Published weekly in Greensboro, N. C. by Duffy & Albright, at \$2.10 per year in advance—postage included.

GREENSBORO FEMALE COLLEGE,

GREENSBORO, N. C. THE SPRING SESSION OF 1876 WILL BEGIN ON WEDNESDAY, 12TH of January, and continue twenty weeks.

BANK CLOSED.

CLOSING OUT!

TAKE pleasure in announcing to the public that I am selling Liquors and Cigars low down for CASH. THE CASH plan is the best, because a cash bill is easier paid than a large one, and will sell cheaper for a customer. NO BAD DEBTS. The CASH customer does not PAY ANY PART of the price necessary to be charged on accounts that lead to doubtful customers. GOODS. The CASH PLAN saves LABOR, TROUBLE, MISTAKE, misunderstanding and MONEY because you buy cheaper; buying with CASH saves bad debts. I will guarantee my WHISKIES and BRANDIES to be as good as you can get in Concord. All I ask is: Come and see me and satisfy yourself. You will say I sell cheaper. I thank the citizens of Cabarrus and surrounding counties for past favors, and hope that I may merit a continuance of the same. Very respectfully, H. L. GRONER.