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TERMS.—At the request of many of our patrons, and in consideration of the pressure of the times, the terms of the Western Carolinian have been altered, and will hereafter be as follows:—  
Two dollars and a half per annum, in advance, if paid in advance. No paper will be discontinued, except at the direction of the Editor, until all arrearages are paid. Advertisements will be inserted at 50 cents the square for the first week, and 30 cents each week they are continued thereafter. Payment must be made on all letters addressed to the Editor, or they may not be attended to.



**DANIEL H. CRESS,**  
HAS just received, and opened at his Store in Salisbury, a large and handsome assortment of **Spring and Summer GOODS;** Also, Groceries, Hardware, Cutlery, Plated Ware, Hats, and Hatters' Trimmings, Crockery, a good assortment of Bolting Cloths, Shoes, Bonnets, and every article usually asked for in stores. His stock of goods has been purchased entirely for cash; and he is determined to sell them as low as can be had in the place, for cash, or to punctual customers on a short credit. The public are respectfully invited to call, examine, and judge for themselves.  
Salisbury, June 3d, 1829. 70

**Salisbury Races.**  
THE races over the Salisbury Turf, will commence on Thursday, 22d October next, and continue three days; first day, two mile heats, free for any horse, mare or gelding; second day, mile heats, free for any thing except the winning horse of the preceding day; third day, three best in five, free for any horse raised and owned in the county.  
SAML. JONES, Proprietor.  
Salisbury, Sept. 18, 1829. 639

**Strayed or Stolen,**  
FROM the subscriber, on the 15th Aug. a young sorrel Mare, three years old, fourteen hands two inches high, with a small star in her forehead; long switch tail, well made, high spirited, and runs fast. I will give a reasonable reward to any person who will give me any information, so that I get her again if strayed; and if stolen, twenty five dollars for the apprehension of the thief, and ten dollars for the recovery of the mare.  
3685 JAMES S. BURCKHEAD.  
Direct to Cabarrus county, N. C.

**Great Bargains!**  
THE subscriber's intention being to remove to the West, if possible in the spring, offers the following Property for sale, upon reasonable terms, namely:—  
330 acres of Land, lying in the Forks of the Yadkin, nine miles from Salisbury, adjoining Fred'k. Ford, Zachariah MacAtee and others, on which are some improvements; and as for health, supposed to be equal to any Plantation in the county.  
Also, 26 or 30 acres Land, lying on Crane Creek, three quarters of a mile from town, adjoining John Frazar, Thomas Mull, and others, on which there are ten or twelve acres Meadow ground, of first quality.  
Also a number of *Sticks and Tin Ware*, for sale at his store in Salisbury.  
In exchange for, or in payment of, the above property, notes of hand on solvent persons, or negro property, will be received.  
Those who wish to buy, would do well to apply soon.  
EDWARD CRESS.  
Salisbury, Aug. 1st, 1829. 78  
N. B. The remaining Stock of GOODS on hand in Concord, comprising a good assortment, belonging to the subscriber, will be sold off on low terms; and payments made easy to the purchaser, if the whole stock could be disposed at one sale.  
E. C.  
P. S. There will also be sold, a HOUSE and LOT, on Main street, formerly the property of Doctor William Moore, and now the property of Mrs. Elizabeth Moore, and occupied by E. Cress.  
Also, a new and complete Stick GIG and Harness. For all which, good notes of hand, or negro property, will be received in payment.

**FARM, &c. for Sale.**  
THE subscriber having determined on removing to the West, offers for sale his present place of residence, lying on the waters of the South Fork of Crane Creek, containing Two hundred and thirty one acres; being six miles and a half of Salisbury, adjoining John Hodge, Ezra Farris, &c.  
For Sale, on the above premises,  
1500 Bushels WHEAT;  
1000 Do. CORN.  
The above premises, if not previously disposed of, will be offered at Public Sale, on the 25th inst. which will be on Friday.  
JOHN WILLIAMS.  
Sept. 2d, 1829. 3185

**Committed to the Jail**  
OF this county, on the 20th of August, 1829, a Negro Man, who says his name is TOM; and that he belongs to a man by the name of Abraham Mayfield, Chester district, South Carolina. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take him away.  
JOHN SLOAN, Sheriff of Rowan County.  
Aug. 29th, 1829. 83

**Sugar Planting.**—The Northern Editors are as much astonished at the statement of Sugar and Molasses made last year in Louisiana (given in the Baltimore American), as those of the South can be. The total hds of Sugar made in all the parishes, are 87,265; and of Molasses 39,474. The most productive Sugar estate is General Hampton's, 70 miles above New Orleans, which yielded 1640 hds sugar and 750 molasses.—Mr. La-bruch's 10 miles above New-Orleans, 999 hds sugar, and 415 molasses. Very large products indeed, and very wealthy proprietors no doubt.—Shall we add *happier* than other citizens? It is very doubtful, whether there are not hundreds of smaller proprietors, who are happier than the wealthiest.—Who then is the best off?  
Rich. Compiler.

### FATHERS of the REVOLUTION.

A brief sketch of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.  
**Thomas Jefferson.**—A distinguished statesman and philosopher—a native of Virginia; born April 1743, educated at William and Mary; and studied law under that distinguished civilian and patriot Chancellor Wythe. In his 26th year, a distinguished member of the Virginia Legislature, in 1773 appointed a member of the "committee of correspondence," the most efficient body in directing and maturing the materials from which sprang the revolution; elected to Congress 1775; re-elected '76. Member of the committee which drafted the declaration, consisting of Jefferson, Adams, Franklin, Sherman and Livingston, and as chairman made the original draft, conformable to which, 28th June, he introduced a resolution "that these States are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States," which was seconded by John Adams, and unanimously passed 4th July, '76; Governor of Virginia '76-'84, minister to France, which station he held until appointed Secretary of State by President Washington, '89; Vice President United States '97, and President 1801, which place he held eight years. In the 83d year of his age, on the 50th anniversary of our independence, he died at Monticello, the seat of his fathers, having filled the highest offices and enjoyed the greatest honors within the gift of his countrymen.

**Benjamin Franklin.**—A Printer, philosopher and statesman; a native of Boston; born 17th January, 1708. At the age of 30 appointed clerk to the General Assembly, and Postmaster at Philadelphia, at 38 a member of the Assembly. About this time he identified electricity and lightning to be the same, by drawing the lightning from the clouds, and many other ingenious experiments; commissioned to Great Britain from the Colonies, examined before the bar of the House of Commons with great credit to himself; elected 1775 and '76 a member of Congress; one of the committee to bear propositions of reconciliation; commissioner to France in the 71st year of his age; concluded a treaty with that power in 1778; and in 1782 concluded a treaty with Great Britain, by which the war was terminated, and our independence acknowledged; elected to the high honor of Foreign Associate of the Academy of Sciences, at Paris, in 1781. After his return to America he was President of the Commonwealth, and of the State convention which adopted the new constitution. After a long life, spent in the most active and useful pursuits, he died in his 84th year, 27th April 1790.

**Francis Hopkinson.**—A lawyer, and a man of elegant literary attainments; a native of Philadelphia; born 1737. A member of Congress 1776, and voted and subscribed the declaration. He died in his 52d year, 6th May, 1791.  
**Robert Treat Payne, LL. D.**—A Lawyer of eminence, a native of Boston, born 1731. For several years past a member of the Legislature of Massachusetts; a member of the Provincial Congress, 1774; a member of the first and second general Congress; a member of the committee of five to consider the State of Massachusetts, and Supreme Judge; died 11th May, 1814, aged 84.

**Thomas Hayward.**—Born in the Parish of St. Lukens, South Carolina, 1749. Educated in America; studied law in the Middle Temple, London, spent several years on a tour through Europe; 1775 and '76 a member of Congress; afterwards Supreme Judge of his native State; was wounded at Beaufort; taken prisoner at Charleston; was in the State Convention for forming a new Constitution, 1770; died March 1809.

**Benjamin Rush, M. D.**—Born near Philadelphia, 24th December, 1745. A physician of great eminence; studied at Edinburgh, Paris and London; his name is written as indelibly if possible, on the scroll of medical fame, as on the declaration of our rights. A most successful teacher in medicine; in 1812 not less

than 430 pupils attended his lectures; he was successively chosen professor of chemistry, of the theory and practice of physic. Chosen in July a delegate in Congress, he was not present when the declaration was adopted, but signed it on taking his seat; a member, also, of the Pennsylvania convention to form and adopt her constitution. Died 19th April, 1813.

**William Hooper.**—A lawyer of eminence, born in Boston, 1742; and educated at Harvard college. Removed early to North Carolina; a representative to the General Assembly for several years; a member of Congress of 1774; and the succeeding until the adopting and signing of the declaration; a judge to settle the dispute between New York and Massachusetts. Died, October, 1790, in the 48th year of his age; having retired several years previous, from the cares of public life into the joys of domestic happiness.

**Charles Carroll, of Carrollton,** only surviving signer, at this time, (1829,) was born September 1737, at Annapolis, Md. Being of Roman Catholic descent, he commenced his education at St. Omers, Great Britain, and finished it at Rheims, France; studied law in Paris and London; an active and efficient newspaper writer, in favor of the cause of the colonies. Being a Roman Catholic of education and fortune, was selected as one of the committee to visit Canada, early in 1776, to make overtures to the Catholics of that province to join the colonies. During this tour, the declaration was adopted, but was promptly signed, on his return on the 2d of August; soon after a member of the board of war; in 1801, retired from public life, after having been a member of the first committee of safety and observation; twice in the Convention of Maryland; twice a delegate in Congress; once a senator in the U. States Senate—and four times in that of his native State.

**Cesar Rodney,** born in Dover, Delaware, 1730; a member of Legislature several years; a member of Congress of 1774; continued until '75; an active leader in the war upon "the armed field," a general in the army; and the intimate friend of Washington.

**Benjamin Harrison,** a native of Berkeley, Virginia, the descendant of a very respectable, ancient and wealthy family; early a member of the provincial legislature; a member of the first Congress, and of those succeeding, until the honor of voting for and signing the declaration; a member of the committee of safety; chairman of the "board of war." After resigning his seat in Congress, a member and president of the colonial Assembly; Governor of Virginia in 1782; and re-elected the year following. Died 1791, at his residence, honored and respected by his countrymen.

**William Paton,** a fine scholar and an eminent jurist; born 1740, at Wye Hall, Eastern Shore, Maryland, a member of the first and several succeeding Congresses. Immediately after voting for and signing the declaration, elected a member of the "Navy board," twice Governor of Maryland, and twice chief justice on the bench of her judiciary. Died 1799, aged 66 years.

**Arthur Middleton,** a fine scholar, having taken the baccalaureate degree of A. B. at Westminster, England, and a gentleman of fine fortune; born in S. Carolina, 1743; spent two years in a tour through Europe; a member of the "secret committee of five" in 1775; a member of Congress in '75; and took an active part in the war; a soldier; taken a prisoner at Charleston, and sent as such to St. Augustine; suffered, with the rest of his fellow prisoners, great hardships; elected again to Congress, 1782. Departed for the better country beyond the grave, at his country seat, on the Ashly; aged 45.

**Elbridge Gerry** was born July 1754, at Marblehead, Massachusetts. Took his degree of A. B. in the 18th year, at Harvard—a merchant by profession; a member of the General Court of Mass. Bay, in his 29th year; a member of the new committee of safety for Mass.; an active and efficient leader during the revolution. He spent the evening previous to the battle of Bunker's Hill with a few of his friends in a house not far from the road to Lexington, among whom was the brave and early lamented General Warren; on parting in the morning with the General for the scene of danger, this brave man, all devotion to his country, dropped these classic words—"Dulce et decorum est, pro patria mori"—before this night was an example. A member of

\* It was this committee, which consisted of Charles Coatsworth Pinckney, Wm. Henry Drayton, Wm. Gibbes, and Edward Waymar, that resolved on having recourse to force, in 1770, in settling the difficulties between the colonies and mother country, and the public arms then in possession of British keepers, were taken possession of accordingly.

Congress in '76; a member of the convention which formed the new constitution; minister to France; several times Governor of Mass.; Vice President of the U. States in 1808. Died 23d November, 1814, on his road to Washington as Vice President of the U. States; aged 70 years.

**George Ross,** was born in Newcastle, Del. in 1750. A scholar; became a lawyer of eminence after he removed to Lancaster, Pennsylvania; a member of the legislature of Penn. as early as 1788, a member of the first Congress, and of the three succeeding; several times a member of the state legislature; a member of the Board of Admiralty of Penn. Died July 1799, aged 49 years.

**John Adams,** a lawyer and statesman of great eminence, was born at Quincy, Mass. 19th October, O. S. 1735, of puritan parents; a writer and active leader preparatory to the adopting and signing the declaration; a member of the first committee of safety for Boston; had the honor of nominating Gen. Washington to Congress, as commander-in-chief of the American armies; and of making the motion to adopt the declaration, which he supported and advocated with his powerful eloquence; a member of the first and many succeeding Congresses. Some idea may be formed of his business habits, when it is stated he was a member of ninety committees, and Chairman of 25; commissioner in France in 1781, and minister to the same power in 1785, and minister to England in 1785; a member of the convention which formed the constitution of his native state; Vice President of the United States twice, and President once; retired from public life in 1801, and about 4 o'clock, P. M. on the fiftieth Anniversary of our Independence, he expired, in the 91st year of his age.

**Richard Henry Lee,** a native of Virginia, and an elegant scholar, was born 20th January, 1733. Like many of the distinguished men of his time, he was educated in England; he, early in our struggle, became a political writer; and in the hour of peril, a soldier; early a member of the House of Burgesses of Va. a polished and elegant speaker, he was called the Cicero of America; a member of the first Congress; he first introduced a motion in Congress, 10th June 1776, "that these United Colonies were and of right ought to be Free and Independent States." Being called away by sickness in his family, Mr. Jefferson was appointed in his place on the Committee to which the resolution was referred; and filling the vacancy of the mover, Mr. Jefferson became chairman, and thus became draftsman of that instrument which has so justly given celebrity to his name. Once President in congress; he died in the 64th year of his age, loaded with the honors of his countrymen.

**Francis Lightfoot Lee,** youngest brother to R. H. Lee, a man of fine abilities, and extensive information, though not much inferior in education or eloquence to his brother; several years a member of the house of Burgesses; several times a member of Congress from Richmond, the metropolis of his State; a member of the Senate of his native State. The particulars of his death not recorded by his biographer.

**Samuel Chase,** a lawyer and jurist of great eminence, was a native of Md. born 17th April, 1741. Early a member of the Colonial Assembly; a member of the first and four succeeding Congresses; a member of the mission to Canada, in '76, with Charles Carroll and Dr. Franklin; at his suggestion, the convention of Md. rescinded their instructions to their representatives, not to vote for declaring the colonies independent; the early patron and benefactor of the distinguished William Pinkney; a member of the Maryland convention which adopted the new Constitution; chief justice of Md. and appointed by Washington an associate judge of the U. States Court.

**Samuel Adams,** a native of Boston, a fine scholar, a merchant by profession, was born 29d September, 1722. He reported the first resolution to the citizens of Boston, denying the right of the mother country to tax the colonies against their consent for purposes of revenue; a polit-

ical writer of eminence; a member of Congress eight times; a member of the convention which formed the constitution of his State; and of the convention which adopted the Constitution of the U. States; Lieut. Governor and Gov. of Massachusetts; one of the proscribed patriots, whom the British authorities proclaimed beyond the reach of pardon. Died, 3d Oct. 1803, in the 82d year.  
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### "RUNAWAY SCOUNDRELS."

This is the captivating caption of the first Editorial article in the *Janestown*, N. Y. Republican of the 25th ult. The paragraph which it graces, runs in the following terms:

—, of Sugar Grove, and — of this town, have runaway in our debt. The former owed us \$3 50, the latter 6 50. — is a small man, with a lank and masonic visage, and resembles a Narraganset Indian. We are thus minute in describing them, that they may not gull other editors as they have us.

We omit, of course, the names of the Runaways. The article is a strange one for a newspaper; and really it appears to us, that the punishment is rather disproportioned to the offence. If every subscriber of every newspaper, who goes away from a place, in the Editor's debt, is therefore to be called a runaway and a scoundrel, and to be published as such, in the columns of the public journals, our newspapers would be crowded with "Runaway Scoundrels." This punishment, however, is as the offence is common. We disapprove, of course, of subscribers disappearing, without due payment of their arrears; but we disapprove of this visitation of the *Janestown* Editor, more than we do of the "runaway" patriots.  
Rich. Compiler.

**Benefit of Corsets!**—A lady was thrown out of a gig in the streets of New London a few days since, the wheel of which passed directly over her breast; but to the everlasting credit of her corset be it spoken, she escaped without the slightest injury.  
New Haven Register.

**The Gravel, &c.**—At a late sitting of the Paris Academy of Sciences, a letter was read from Dr. Duden, stating that he has discovered a perfect solvent for the stone in the bladder, even when it is encysted. He requests the Academy to name Commissioners, in whose presence he will make use of his solvent (which is in the form of powder) upon dead subjects, preparatory to his performing the experiment on a living person.—The Academy has named Messrs. Damerit, Royer, and Magendie, to assist Dr. Duden, and report upon his proceedings. At the same sitting a paper was read on the discovery of two new caves filled with fossil bones—one at Combes, and the other at Sauvignard. The presence of human bones, mingled with those of manerifous animals, the species of which are extinct, was in these instances incontestible. They bear evident traces of the teeth of hyenas. The report states, that the excrement of the latter animal was also found.

**Mr. Butler.**—The excellent Mr. Butler was living in great obscurity in a country parish. Queen Caroline one day happened to ask Archbishop Blackburn, whether the pious Mr. Butler was not dead? "No madam," answered he, but he is buried." The witty reproach had its effect, and Butler became a bishop.

No man is ever satisfied with another man's reading a newspaper to him; but the moment it is laid down he takes it up and reads it over again.  
Bishop Horne.