

MISCELLANEOUS.

LAND CRUISE OF AN OLD SAIL.

LAUNCHING ANCHORS OF A SHIPWRECK ON TERRA FIRMA.

The eccentricities and whimsicalities of old salt-water captains, from the days of Commodore French down to the present, are well known, and hundreds of amusing anecdotes have been told upon the subject, but as we have never seen the following incident, and in the total absence of news—foreign, coast-wise, or otherwise—we have been induced to devote a column to its recital.

The hero of our story was an old hero of both the Revolutionary and the last war—one who had labored hard, suffered much, and often received the thanks of his country. Young and vigorous having finally rendered him unworthy, he brought his water-tights astern, and settled down in a pleasant part of the country to spend the remainder of his days.

After so long a residence upon the water, it is not to be supposed that the old gentleman found every thing "stip-stip" on land; but, with the assistance of a couple of old sailors, one of them an Irishman, whom he had brought ashore with him, he in a short time made out to introduce such of his habits, so far as practicable, upon his present mode of life.

Among his other eccentricities, he had a carriage built upon a plan entirely new—purely original—and we doubt, if even among the thousands of useful, ornamental, and miscellaneous articles in the Patent Office at Washington, its fellow can be found. It was nothing more or less than a regular man-of-war, on a small scale, completely rigged with sails, masts, anchors, &c. This he had set upon springs, the whole confined upon four common carriage wheels.

Mike, his Irish sailor, was soon set into the secret of driving four-in-hand, and two or three little jaunts were made in the neighborhood with some success.

One fine morning in summer, the old Commodore invited several ladies to take a cruise with him in the vessel to some springs situated about twenty miles off. Fearing that some accident might occur, they politely refused. He set forth, in glowing terms, the pleasures of such a cruise, and it was a compromise decidedly safer than any that could be devised, and used every argument to induce the ladies to take passage, but all to no purpose.

Some gentleman finally agreed to accompany him, and taking Mike along to sit on the bowsprit, and the other sailor to hand sails, &c., the party got under way, and set sail for the springs.

The road for the first ten miles of the journey was level or slightly ascending, and this part was run over smoothly and without accident. Occasionally, as the road turned to the right or left, the old Commodore would sing out to Mike to haul in or slack his star-board or star-board brace, and so forth, but it had been perfectly "plain sailing," every thing worked to a charm. They had now arrived at a point of the voyage where the road began to descend.

The horses dashed off at a more rapid rate, and the whole party were exhilarated as they flew past rocks, trees, and villages. The farther they advanced, the faster went the horses, and from a break took they at length got into a cauter.

"Had you the fore braces," said the Commodore, addressing the lines which were attached to the leaders.

"Ay, ay, sir," responded Mike, who was now holding them in with all his might.

NEW MODE OF RAISING THE WIND.

The other evening, a lady felt borne to make some purchases, say some shoes, or perhaps some other fashionable business, to rather what she was walking along one of our best streets, which happened to be nearly empty at the time, she was suddenly accosted by a gentleman, a perfect stranger to her. He was short and stout, with a bushy head of hair, white gloves, and all the outward appearance of gentility. He addressed her very familiarly, and expressed his pleasure at having met her.

"I believe I have not the honor of your acquaintance, sir," said the lady, but her familiarity was rather of the impudent order.

"Well, never mind that, it is never too late to form an agreeable acquaintance. Are you going on this way? I'll go with you; or, here, take my arm."

"I really must decline the honor, sir, and request you, if you are a gentleman, to leave me at once."

"Bah! how pretty you look when you are angry!" said the vulgar fellow, who was preparing to put his arm around her waist, when the lady was overpowered at seeing a tall, well-dressed, gentlemanly man lurk the corner, and advancing rapidly towards them. Her exclamations brought him to her side at once, and his presence seemed to cool down, in a wonderful degree, the ardor of the first comer.

"What is the matter madam?" he asked, "has any thing happened? Can I be of service to you in any way?"

"Sir, I have been grossly insulted by this person."

"You scoundrel!" (shaking his stick at the short fellow, who spoke a way) "if it was not for making a scene in the open street, I would cudgel you to death. (To the lady.) The vagabond who presumed to insult you is gone, madam; you need not fear now."

"I am under the greatest obligations—"

"Oh, don't mention it, I beg you. Will you allow me to escort you, to prevent the repetition of any such insult?"

"I should be sorry to trouble you, but really I have been so much agitated by what has happened, and my nerves are quite unstrung, and I must go home—if it is not taxing your politeness too much—that follow me, please."

"Don't be afraid, I will take care of him."

The lady accepted the gentleman's proffered arm very thankfully, and retraced her steps home. On the way they talked about balls and concerts, the weather, the opera, the news of the day, and other trifling matters which made up fashionable conversation. To judge from the gentleman's manners and discourse, as well as from his frock, cane and yellow gloves, he was altogether *comme il faut*. When they reached the lady's door, he bowed and was taking his leave.

"I really feel much indebted, sir," said she, "for your very timely interference."

"Very much indebted, indeed, and if I could acknowledge your services in any way—"

"Why, if you please, you may give two shillings."

"Two—!" The lady was thunderstruck; but she really felt grateful to her preserver from insult, and without saying a word, pulled out her purse and handed him the money. He took it and walked away. At the corner our short friend of the cloak and white gloves met him.

"Well," asked he, "how much did you get?"

"Two shillings," replied he of the cane and yellow gloves.

"That will do; let's go and get some breakfast."—N. Y. Mirror.

Taking the Census.—Scene.—A house not a hundred miles off.

Inquirer: Good morning madam. Is the head of the family at home?

Mrs. Touchwood: Yes, sir, I'm at home.

Inq.: Haven't you a husband?

Mrs. T.: Yes, sir, but he ain't the head of the family, I'd have you know.

Inq.: How many persons have you in your family?

Mrs. T.: Why, bless me, sir, what's that to you? You are mighty inquisitive, I think?

Inq.: I am the man that takes the Census.

Mrs. T.: If you was a man in his senses, you wouldn't ask such impertinent questions.

AUCTION SALES.

Valuable Lands for Sale.

At the house of Hugh Brown, between three and four miles above Wilkesboro, and on the Yadkin River, there will be sold, on the 22nd and 23rd days of September next, three several tracts of land, containing

1,000 ACRES, or more, that constitute the farm whereon he lives. Said Lands lie on both sides of the Yadkin River, and contain about, 125 acres of Yadkin bottom, besides a quantity of good upland. Also, 450 Acres of Land, on the waters of Lewis Fork and Reddie's River; also, one undivided-half of two lots in the Town of Wilkesboro;—one of said lots adjoins the Public square, and as a situation for business equal to any in the Town.

Also, on the 25th and 26th days, there will be sold on the premises, in Ashe County, 640 Acres of Land, situated on Meet Camp-creek, valuable for its meadow land and its convenience for a stock farm; also, 125 Acres, on Pine Swamp Creek, and 50 or 60 Acres on the Blue Ridge.

Said Lands will be sold on a credit of three and four years, and will be sold by me as Executor under the Will of John Brown, deceased.

HAMILTON BROWN, Ex'r. Of John Brown, dec'd. Wilkesboro, N. C., July 24, 1840.

Also, there will be sold on the 22nd and 23rd days of September next, at the house of the above-named Hugh Brown,

HORSES, Cattle, Hogs, and Sheep,

a quantity of good Wheat, of the growth of 1839—crop of Wheat and Corn of this year's growth; Rye and Oats;—Household and Kitchen Furniture, Farming Utensils;—Also, on the 25th and 26th, a parcel of STOCK CATTLE, on the premises in Ashe, on Meet Camp Creek. For more full information concerning the Lands above described, persons desirous to purchase are referred to Hugh Brown, in Wilkes, and John Miller, who resides on the Meet Camp Lands.

HAMILTON BROWN, July 24, 1840.

To Owners of Mills.

THE Subscriber has an improved patent Spindle for Mills, by which a mill will do much better than with the usual form of Spindles. It is so constructed as to keep from heating or killing the meal in any manner. The runner is so confined by the Spindle as always to preserve its balance, and of course there is no rubbing of the stones.

I think, by this improved Spindle, the same water will do at least one-third more business, and the meat of superior quality.

Any person wishing to use one of these Spindles, may obtain one or more, by making application, (within a short time) to the Subscriber at Mocksville, Davie Co. N. C. I think the probable cost will not exceed \$30 for the Patent and Spindle ready for use.

The following persons have by Patent Mill Spindle in successful operation:—Col. W. F. Kelly, Thos. Foster, Joseph Hall and Sam'l. Foster of Davie County; Gilbert Dickson and David J. Remson of Lincoln; Charles Griffith of Rowan; Ashdon Moore of Davidson, and William Dose of Surry, all of whom are highly pleased with its performance.

October 25, 1839. L. M. GILBERT.

SPRING & SUMMER GOODS.

SPRINGS & SHANKLE. HAVE just received from New York and Philadelphia, an extensive assortment of

SPRING & SUMMER GOODS, CONSISTING OF—

Dry Goods, Hardware, Tinware, Crockery, GROCERIES, Drugs and Medicines, Dye-Stuffs, Paints and Oil, Boots and Shoes, Saddlery, &c., &c.

In short, their Stock comprises almost every article needed by the Farmer, Mechanic, or the Fashionable of the town or country.

N. B. They will sell low for cash, or to punctual dealers on time; or in exchange for country Produce. Concord, Jan. 17th, 1840.

Stone Engraving.

THE Subscriber living seven miles south of Salisbury, intends keeping constantly on hand, Marble and Granite Slabs expressly for

TOMB STONES, so that he can execute any order in that line, on the shortest notice.

—ALSO— He is ready to execute any work which may be called for in SCULPTURING, STONE-CUTTING, ENGRAVING, &c., and he assures those who may favor him with their work, that unless well done according to contract, he has no pay.

A complete large Dairy Trough for sale, cut of Rock, for the purpose of preserving milk cool. Apply to the Subscriber.

ENOCH E. PHILLIPS. November 1st, 1839.

PIEDMONT HOUSE.

THE Subscriber having purchased this Establishment and fitted it up as a style for the accommodation of Travellers and Boarders, is now prepared for their reception. His TABLE will always be furnished

With the best market can afford; his BAR with a good supply of choice Liquors; his BEDS shall always be kept in line order; and his Stables (which are very extensive) are well supplied with Provender of the best quality, and attended by good and faithful hostlers.

He hopes, by strict attention to the business, in person, to give satisfaction to all who may favor him with their patronage. And he only asks a call and trial.

ANDREW CALDCLEGH. Lexington, N. C., Feb. 21, 1839.

Taken up and Committed.

TO the Jail of Davidson County, on the 26th of June last, a Negro Boy who says his name is George, and that he belongs to Sargis Perry, of Lancaster Dis. S. C. He says he is 35 years old; he is 5 feet and 7 inches high, has somewhat bald, heavy underlip, and had on when committed, a cast-iron coat and pantaloons and a round-crowned wool hat.

The owner of said boy is hereby requested to come forward, prove his property, pay charges and take him away.

WILSON WOMACK, Jailor. Lexington, N. C., July 3, 1840.



Great Western Stage Line.

FROM SALISBURY TO ASHEVILLE, N. C. Arrangement for 1840.

THE above line is now in full operation, and arrives at, and departs from Salisbury as follows: Leaves Salisbury on Mondays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, at 5 o'clock, A. M.; and arrives at Asheville next days at 8 o'clock, P. M.

Returning, leaves Asheville on Mondays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, at 5 o'clock, A. M.; and arrives at Salisbury next days at 8 o'clock, P. M.

A. BENCINI, R. W. LONG. N. B. Passengers leaving Raleigh, N. C., for Nashville, Tennessee, will find no delay whatever on this route. A. B. & R. W. L. Salisbury, N. C., Jan. 3, 1840.

More Good Things, JUST RECEIVED, AT THE SALISBURY COFFEE-HOUSE.

MONS. ROUECHE

RESPECTFULLY informs his customers and the public generally, that he is now receiving and opening, at his establishment in Salisbury, a Splendid Assortment of every thing desirable in his line of business—among which will be found

- Lemons, Pine Apples, Bananas, Malaga Grapes, Hyson Tea, Powder and Shot, London Mustard, Porter, English Walnuts, Cocoa Nuts, Pige, Hazle Nuts, Albany Ale, Newark Cider, Essence of Citronum, Mint, Cloves, All kinds of Cordials, All kinds of Wines, All kinds of Liquors, All of the best quality and latest importations;

Together with a great variety of other Groceries too tedious to mention, and which he will sell very low for cash.

MONS. ROUECHE returns his thanks for the liberal patronage heretofore received, and solicits its continuance. [Feb. 14, 1840.—25.]

Tailoring Business.

THE Subscriber keeps constantly on hand, a general assortment of

READY MADE CLOTHING,

for Gentlemen's wear, such as Coats, Pantalons, and Vests, of good

Goods,

well made and fashionable. He is also prepared to cut, and make clothing in the most fashionable and durable style, and warranted to fit. He also keeps a good assortment of Cloths, Cassimeres and Vestings of the first qualities, selected by himself in the New York Market, all of which he will sell low for Cash.

N. B. He still continues to teach the art of Cutting garments on the most approved plans of the best Tailors in New York and Philadelphia.

Cutting for customers done on the shortest notice, and orders from a distance attended to with despatch.—His shop will be found in Mr. Cowan's large brick building. BENJ. F. FRALEY.

CABINET WORK.

THE Subscriber informs the public that he continues the Cabinet-Making Business, IN THE VILLAGE OF

LEXINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA. He is prepared to execute all descriptions of work in his line of business in a very superior style, as regards workmanship and materials, and certainly on lower terms than is afforded by any other establishment of the kind in this region of country.

Orders from a distance thankfully received and promptly and faithfully executed. Produce, Scantling and Plank taken in exchange for work. NATHAN PARKS. Lexington, Feb. 7, 1840.

Book Bindery.

WM. HUNTER, Book-Binder, INFORMS the public that he still carries on an Establishment of the above kind in CHARLOTTE, North Carolina, a few doors south of the Mint.—Having, as he conceives, a thorough knowledge of his business, he feels no hesitation in assuring those who may wish to patronize him, that their work shall be done in the very best style, strong, and on as advantageous terms.

Books and other articles sent from a distance to be bound, will be promptly attended to and carefully returned when done. The public are requested to give him a trial.

Orders left at the Western Carolina Office will be punctually forwarded for completion. CHARLOTTE, Feb. 7, 1840.

To the Public.

THE undersigned respectfully informs the Public that they are still engaged in carrying on

A TANNERY.

At their old stand in Raven Run, near New Grove, 10 miles south of Salisbury. They have themselves that, with their long experience in the business, and devoting to it their unremitting personal attention, together with their late improvements in their system of Tanning, to be made manufacture Leather of a superior quality, and as cheap terms as any made in this country.

They now have on hand a very large stock of superior stock of Leather, of all kinds, which are desirous of selling on moderate terms for cash or on time to punctual dealers. They also have green Hides taken in exchange for L. Hides.

They invite all persons wishing to purchase Leather, to call and examine their stock, and purchasing elsewhere.

H. & W. C. MILLER. Rowan Co., Aug. 7, 1840.

Moffat's Life Pills & Bitters.

THESE medicines are indebted for their name to their manifold and sensible action in restoring the springs and channels of life, and reducing the system with renewed tone and vigor. In many instances, it has cured cases which have been deemed hopeless, and almost every species of disease to which the human frame is liable, the happy effects of MOFFAT'S LIFE PILLS AND PHEENIX BITTERS have been gratefully and publicly acknowledged by persons benefited, and who were previously acquainted with the beautifully-phosphated principles upon which they are compounded, and upon which they consequently act.

The LIFE MEDICINES recommend themselves in diseases of every description. Their operation is to loosen from the coats of the stomach and bowels, the various impurities and crudities constantly settling around them; and to remove the hardened masses which collect in the convolutions of the small intestine. Other medicines merely partially cleanse these, and leave such collected masses behind as to produce fatal obstructions with all its train of evils, or sudden death, with its imminent dangers. This fact is well known to all regular anatomists, who examine the human bowels, after death, and hence the popularity of those well informed men's great quick-acting medicines prepared and heralded to the world by ignorant persons. The second effect of the Life Medicines is to cleanse the Biliary and Bladder, and by this means, the liver and the bladder, the habitual action of which entirely depends on the regularity of the urinary organs. The blood, which takes its red color from the spleen of the liver and the lungs before it passes into the heart, being thus purified by them, and purified by food coming from a clean stomach, entering by through the veins, renews every part of the system, and triumphantly defeats the power of disease in the blooming cheek.

Moffat's Vegetable Life Medicines have been thoroughly tested, and pronounced a sovereign remedy for Dyspepsia, Flatulency, Palpitation of the Heart, Loss of Appetite, Heartburn and Headache, Restlessness, Irritability, Anxiety, Lassitude and Melancholy, Constipation, Diarrhea, Cholera, Fevers of all kinds, Rheumatism, Gout, Dropsy, all kinds of Gravel, Worms, Asthma and Consumption, Scoury, Ulcers, Invertebrate Sores, Scorbutic Eruptions and Bad Complexions. Eruptions, eruptions, Sallow, Cloudy, and other discolored Complexions, Salt Rheum, Erysipelas, Eczema, Colds and Influenza, and various other complaints which afflict the human frame. In FEVERS AND AGUES, particularly the Life Medicines have been most eminently successful; so much so, that in the Fever and Ague Districts, Physicians almost universally prescribe them.

All that Mr. Moffat requires of his patients is to be particular in taking the Life Medicines strictly according to the directions. It is not by a haphazard paper notice, or by any thing that is thought of as a favor, that he hopes to gain credit. It is alone by the results of a fair trial.

MOFFAT'S MEDICAL MANUAL.

Designed as a domestic guide to health.—This little manual, edited by W. B. Moffat, 575 Broadway, New York, has been published for the purpose of explaining more fully Mr. Moffat's theory of disease, and will be found highly interesting to those seeking health. It treats upon prevalent diseases, and the causes thereof. Price 25 cents.—For sale by Mr. Moffat's agents generally.

These Valuable Medicines are for sale by CRESS & BOGER, Salisbury, N. C., May 1, 1840.

MOFFAT'S LIFE PILLS & BITTERS.

THE LIFE GIVING PILLS AND BITTERS, so celebrated, and so much used by the afflicted in every part of the country, are now received and for sale by the Subscribers

CRESS & BOGER, Agents, Messrs. SPRINGS & SHANKLE, in Concord, N. C., are also Agents for the same. P. S.—See advertisement—April 4, 1840.

BRICK MASONRY.

THE SUBSCRIBER living near Lexington, Davidson County, takes this method to inform the Public that he will enter into contract with any persons, either in Davidson, Rowan or Cabarrus Counties, who wish to have factories, or any other buildings erected of Brick, to build them as durable, and in as good style as any workmen in the country.

He will also, mould and burn the Brick, if desired. He trusts that his long experience in

SCULPTING AND LIVING BRICK.

will enable him to share of public patronage. He will refer gentlemen wishing to patronize his line of business, to the Public Academy and first proof Clerk's office in Salisbury, as representing his work.

N. B. Those wishing work done, will please send word at the office of the Western Carolinian, and shall be punctually attended to.

ROBERT COX. Davidson, April 18, 1839.

To the Public.

THE Subscriber takes this method of informing the Public, that he still continues to carry on

CUTTING-STONE

as usual, at the Granite Quarry, seven miles south of Salisbury, near the 3d Christian Church, where he will supply all orders for MILL STONES, and all best grit, and on the shortest notice.

For Sale, at the lowest price, WINDOW MILLS, DOOR MILLS, BROWN STONES, ROUGH BITTING ROCKS, TOBACCO STONES, GOLD GRINDERS, &c., &c. J. THOMAS ROUSE, Salisbury, Oct. 10th, 1839.

N. B. Orders by any of the above also directed to me at Salisbury, will be promptly attended to.