The Tarboro' Southerner.

"I Am a Southern Man, of Southern Principles."—Jefferson Davis.

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PRACTICE in the Superior Courts of Edgecombe, Martin, Pitt and Nash. Special attention paid to the Collection of Claims in Magistrate's Courts.
Office formerly occupied by Judge Biggs.
Aug. 19. 38-tf

DOSSEY BATTLE,
Attorney and Counsellor at Law,
ROCKY MOUNT, N. C.
Collections made—*if possible.*
CIRCUIT,
Nash, Halifax, Wilson and Egecombe Counties.
Jan. 16. 6-tf

BALTIMORE.

W. L. ELLIOTT. JOS. P. ELLIOTT.
Late Elliott & Janney Late F B Loney & Co
ELLIOTT BROTHERS,
GENERAL
Commission Merchants
59 South Gay Street,
BALTIMORE.
Special attention given to Cotton.
LIBERAL ADVANCES ON CONSIGNMENTS,
Refer to Cofield & Thigpen, Tarboro'.
July 22. 34-1y*

JOS. W. JENKINS. R. H. PENDER,
Late of Tarboro, N. C.
JOS. W. JENKINS & Co.
COTTON FACTORS
AND
Commission Merchants
29 South Street,
P. O. Box 383. Baltimore.
LIBERAL CASH ADVANCES made on Consignments. Orders for Supplies, including Cotton, Bagging, Rope and Ties, solicited. July 29. 25-6m

J. W. Pitts. Jno. T. Graham.
J. R. H. Graham. J. P. Winn.
PITTS, GRAHAM & CO.,
WHOLESALE GROCERS,
No. 288 W. Pratt and 52 S. Howard Sts.,
BALTIMORE, MD.
KEEP CONSTANTLY ON HAND a large assortment of Groceries, Teas, Sugars, Tobacco, Liquors, Spices and Canned goods, suited to the Southern trade which they offer to the trade on the lowest market prices. 25-6m.

M. LOWENBACK & BRO.,
IMPORTERS OF
WINES, BRANDIES, GINS, &C.,
AND
WHOLESALE DEALERS IN
Whiskies and Domestic Liquors
of every description.
24 S. Howard and 288 W. Pratt. St.,
BALTIMORE, MD.
N. B.—We would respectfully invite the attention of the trade to our pure Rye Whiskies, such as,
Valley Queen,
Mountain Rose,
Mountain Dew,
and Extra Golden Star.
July 1. 31-6m

VENI! VIDI!! VICI!!!
C. W. GAIL & AX'S
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CELEBRATED
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SCOTCH SNUFF.
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THE
CONQUEROR OF ALL SNUFFS!
PRONOUNCED BY ALL AMATEUR DIPPERS
TO BE THE BEST
SNUFF
IN THE MARKET.
Do not fail to try it, for you will like it. Ask for it and take no other.
For sale in Tarboro' by
Shaw & McCabe, R. H. Austin & Co.
King & Williamson.
Rowland Bros. Wholesale Grocers, Agents for Norfolk, Va.
L. J. Bossieux, Wholesale Confectioner, Agent for Richmond, Va.
NOTICE.—The high reputation that our Snuff has attained has induced certain manufacturers to imitate our trade mark. The quality of our Snuff does not lay in the trade mark, but the superior quality of Tobacco that it is manufactured of.
C. W. GAIL & AX.
Baltimore.
June 10th, 1869. 28-1y.

REMOVAL
OF
GEO. B. LIPSCOMBE
TO HIS
NEW LIVERY, SALE AND EXCHANGE
Stables,
Near Hussey Bro's Coach Factory,
IN VIEW OF MAIN STREET.
THE UNDERSIGNED TAKES THIS method of informing the public generally that he has removed to his new quarters where he is prepared to furnish Transportation to any section of the State, with good Vehicles, gentle Horses and careful drivers. Will keep constantly on hand,
Horses, Mules, Vehicles, &c., &c., For Sale.
Parties wishing anything in his line, would do well to give him a call. Horses boarded by day, week or month. Also, Vehicles kept to Hire.
May 20. 24-tf

NORFOLK.

JAMES R. RICKS. A. G. MILHADO.
RICKS & MILHADO,
General Commission Merchants,
Ferguson & Milhado's Wharf,
NORFOLK, VA.
July 16. 33-tf

C F Greenwood. *Fred Greenwood.*
ESTABLISHED 1847.
C. F. GREENWOOD & CO.,
Watchmakers and Jewelers,
DEALERS IN
FINE GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES, Diamonds, Pearl and other rich Jewelry, Solid Silver and Plated Ware,
Spectacles, Clocks
AND
Fancy Goods,
No. 27 Main Street,
Norfolk, Virginia.
N. B.—Watches and Jewelry repaired by the most skillful workmen and warranted.
May 28. 26-tf

T. A. WILLIAMS & CO.,
GENERAL GROCERS & COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
No. 6 Roanoke Square,
NORFOLK, VA.
ALL ORDERS ACCOMPANIED WITH Cash or Satisfactory References filled at lowest Market rates.
Strict personal attention to Consignments. Returns *promptly* and *regularly* made. May 28, 26-1y

WM. G. JORDAN,
COTTON FACTOR
AND
GENERAL
Commission Merchant,
Office 30 Commerce Street,
Norfolk, Va.
CONSIGNMENTS OF COTTON, Grain, Lumber, Naval Stores and Country Produce generally solicited.
Liberal Cash Advances made on all Consignments when desired.
Orders for General Merchandise promptly attended to. Aug. 12 37-6m

AMERICAN BAGGING!
J. H. [BRAND.]
Standard Weight of this Bagging—2¼ lbs ⅌ Yard.
Standard Weight of India, 2¼ lbs ⅌ Yard.
Additional Weight, ¼ lb ⅌ Yard.
The Planter who sells his Cotton at 24 cents can afford to pay 3 cents, and at 16 cents 2 cents more per yard for this Bagging than for India.
The standard width of this cloth is 44 inches. India is only 42. It is wider, closer, stronger, and affords better protection than any other Bagging used for covering Cotton.
WILLIAM LAMB,
Agent for Manufacturer,
Aug. 19. 3m Norfolk, Va.

J. D. REED, AGT.,
PRACTICAL HATTER.
Wholesale and Retail Dealer in
Hats, Caps, Straw Goods,
Umbrellas, Canes, &c.,
No. 18 Main Street,
NORFORK, VA.
May 28. 26-tf

JOHN S. DANCY. F. M. HYMAN.
Tarboro, N. C. Late of Warrenton, N. C.
T. R. HYMAN,
Late of New York.
HYMANS & DANCY,
GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS
No. 47 Wide Water Street,
(REAR OF CUSTOM HOUSE.)
NORFOLK, VA.
DANCY, HYMAN & CO.,
General Commission Merchants,
No. 24 Exchange Place,
NEW YORK.
Dec 3 2-tf

TAYLOR, MARTIN & CO.,
DEALERS IN
Hardware, Cutlery,
BAR IRON AND STEEL,
WAGON MATERIAL,
BELTING AND PACKING,
House Furnishing Goods, &c.,
Circular Front, corner of Main street and Market Square,
Norfolk, Va.
Nails at Factory Prices, Trace Chains, Weed, Hilling and Grub Hoes, Horse Collars and Hames, Axes, Saws, &c., &c.
The trade supplied at Northern prices.
May 28. 26-tf

L. L. Brickhouse. *S. J. Thomas.*
L. L. BRICKHOUSE & CO.,
Wholesale and Retail dealers in
BOOTS, SHOES,
Trunks, Valises, Carpet Bags &c.,
No. 23 Main Street
Opposite Taylor, Martin & Co.,
Norfolk, Va.
Full stock constantly on hand at Lowest Market Prices.
JOHN H. FERREE, of Morganton, N. C.
May 28. 26-tf

Cosmopolitan Billiard
AND
Reading Rooms,
24 Main Street,
NORFOLK, VA.
TEN (10) Phelon Tables; all the Newspapers of the day on file.
The BAR is furnished with the best of Ales, Wines, Liquors and Cigars.
LOCKHARTS BROS, Prop'ts.
April 8 19-6m

T R GARY, R O EPES,
Late of Richmond. Late of Petersburg.
NEW CROCKERY HOUSE!
To the Trade of Virginia & North Carolina.
WE have opened in Norfolk on Main Street, opposite the Postoffice, the largest and most complete stock of
China, Crockery, Silver-Plated Ware, Glass Ware and House Furnishing Goods
It has ever been the pleasure of any one to offer to the Trade. Our stock is of
Our Own Importation
and bought of the Manufacturers direct on a dull and depressed market, which enables us to sell to the Trade at much lower figures than they have had offered to them since the war.
Our Stock is Complete,
and one need not go farther than call on us and find a complete assortment such as is usually kept by first-class wholesale and retail crockery, china and glass ware houses.
Respectfully,
THOMAS R. GARY & CO.,
Main street, opposite Postoffice.
Norfolk, Aug. 19, 1869. 38-6m

MISCELLANEOUS.

Brown's Cotton Gins,
—AND—
Ingersoll's Cotton Presses,
For sale by
DAWSON, TEEL & HENNING,
Wilmington, N. C.
Sept. 2. 40-3m

Notice of Co-Partnership.
WILMINGTON, N. C. April 15, 1869.
WE, the undersigned, have this day entered into co-partnership under the firm, name, and style of
Bannister, Cowan & Co.,
for the purpose of conducting the business of a **Real Estate** and **Financial Agency**, with principal offices at Wilmington, N. C., and New York City.
We respectfully offer our services to the public. LEMUEL BANNISTER,
D. S. COWAN,
J. C. KENYON.
For further information, address
BANNISTER, COWAN & CO.,
Wilmington, N. C.
April 22 21-1y

TO THE PUBLIC.
THE undersigned respectfully announces to the citizens of Edgecombe and adjacent Counties, that he has opened a
FIRST CLASS
Photograph Gallery,
In the Town of Tarboro',
and is prepared to execute, in an artistic manner, all the various styles of likenesses, such as
Photographs,
Ambrotypes,
Porcelians,
Pearltypes, (new style, very elegant.)
Solas, and Ferrotypes,
OF ALL SIZES AND DESCRIPTIONS,
and appeals to the public to sustain a permanent Gallery in their midst.
Old partraits and daguerreotypes of deceased persons carefully copied in every style and size.
Ladies and gentlemen are respectfully invited to visit my Gallery, opposite the Court House, and examine specimens.
All work guaranteed to please, while prices will be satisfactory.
Aug. 19 38-1y WM. F. STAPLES.

Tarboro' Daily Market.
I am still prepared to supply the citizens of Tarboro' and vicinity with all kinds of
FRESH MEATS.
STALLS OPEN EVERY MORNING
FROM
DAY BREAK TO 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.
Tuesdays and Saturdays all Day.
With many thanks for past patronage, the undersigned respectfully solicits a continuance in the future.
R. L. SMITH.
March 4. 14-tf

IMPORTANT!
Do not fail to Read this Advertisement.
THE LARGEST AND CHEAPEST Stock ever offered to the Citizens of Tarboro and surrounding country, in our line of business—and selected with great care by one of our firm from the importers and manufacturers of New York and Philadelphia, viz. a very handsome assortment of
LADIES & GENTS GOLD WATCHES,
also a large assortment of the celebrated
B LAVEL
and other
Fine Silver Watches.
A large Stock of fine 18 k. and other
FINGER RINGS,
EAR RINGS,
AND PINS
TO MATCH OF ALMOST EVERY STYLE & QUALITY.
Misses and Childrens Ear Rings, Pins and Finger Rings.
A beautiful selection of pure triple plate
SILVER WARE,
SUCH AS
Cake or Fruit Baskets,
Castors,
Butter Knives,
Napkin Rings,
Table, Desert and Tea Spoons, Forks, &c., &c., &c.
Fine Cutlery,
Dining and Desert Knives,
Carvers and Forks,
Wostenholm Razors (the best in use.)
Fine Scissors
and
Pocket Knives.
Together with a great variety of Gold, Silver and Plated Watch Chains, Keys, Ribbons, Guards, Steel, &c., and a great many minor articles too tedious to mention.
Last but not least, the handsomest assortment of **CLOCKS** that has ever been offered in this market. All goods warranted to be as represented.
CHAMBERLAIN & RAWLS,
Practical Watch Makers,
TARBORO', N. C.
April 22 21-tf

DENTISTRY.
DR. G. K. BAGBY,
SURGEON DENTIST,
WOULD RESPECTFULLY INFORM the Citizens of Edgecombe County that he will be in his Office over Shaw & McCabe's Store, in Tarboro in a few weeks, when he will be prepared to perform all operations pertaining to his Profession.
Teeth inserted, from one to an entire set, at prices within the reach of all, rich or poor.
Satisfaction guaranteed in all operations. Persons at a distance will be attended to by addressing him at Kinston, N. C. or Tarboro.
June 3, 1869. 17-tf

JENKINS & RUTLEDGE,
(FORMERLY JENKINS & CATLETT,)
General Grain and Produce
Commission Merchants
102 LIGHT ST. WHARF,
BALTIMORE.
ORDERS FROM THE COUNTRY carefully filled and promptly attended to.
may 13 24-6m.

OCEAN HOUSE,
Portsmouth Va.,
B. F. BRIGGS, - - Proprietor.
THIS HOUSE HAS BEEN THOroughly Refurnished and Refitted.
The patronage of the travelling public is respectfully solicited.
E. F. WHITEHEAD, Sup't.
July 8. 32-tf

NORFOLK.

FREER & CO.,
WHOLESALE LIQUOR DEALERS,
No. 12 Roanoke Square,
Norfolk, Va.
June 3. 27-tf

A. STATON, W. H. BENNETT, T. M. BARNA,
Hamilton, N. C. Norfolk, Norfolk.
STATON, BENNETT & CO.,
COTTON FACTORS AND
Commission Merchants,
McPHAILS WHARF,
NORFOLK, VA.
March 18. 16-tf

GEO. A. MARTIN. GILBERT ELLIOTT.
MARTIN & ELLIOTT,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW.
Office No. 24 West Main Street,
Norfolk, Va.
WILL GIVE PROMPT ATTENTION to all matters entrusted to them in the State and Federal Courts of Virginia and North Carolina. Collections made in all parts of the United States.
May 28. 26-tf

JNO. BURGESS & CO.,
Wholesale Grocers, Commission Merchants, and Dealers in
Foreign and Domestic Liquors,
No. 8 West Wide Water St.,
Norfolk, Va.
SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO consignments and prompt returns made. May 28. 26-tf

ESTABLISHED 1831.
J. M. FREEMAN,
Watchmaker and Jeweler,
NO. 29 MAIN STREET,
Corner of Talbot Street.
NORFOLK, VA.
CONSTANTLY ON HAND A FULL assortment of Watches, Jewelry, Silver ware, &c.
Watches carefully and properly Repaired.
may 28. 26-tf

L. Beckley. *W. M. Millar.*
J. W. Grandy, Formerly of N. C.
BERKLEY, MILLAR & CO.
Wholesale Dealers in
Dry Goods & Notions,
16 West Main Street,
Next door to Exchange National Bank
NORFOLK, VA.
May 28. 26-tf

DISSOLUTION of COPARTNERSHIP
THE FIRM OF KADER BIGGS & Co., composed of Kader Biggs and Joseph J. Biggs, is dissolved this day by mutual consent.
KADER BIGGS is hereby authorized to close the Partnership business.
KADER BIGGS,
JOSEPH J. BIGGS.
Norfolk August 2d, 1869.
The GENERAL COMMISSION and FORWARDING BUSINESS will be continued by Kader Biggs and Asa Biggs, late of North Carolina, under the old name of KADER BIGGS & CO.
The customers of the late Firm, and the friends of Asa Biggs, may be assured that business confided to them will receive prompt and diligent attention.
KADER BIGGS,
ASA BIGGS.

JOSHUA H. KING,
(Successor to George W. Farant.)
CIVIL AND NAVAL
MERCHANT TAILOR,
South East Corner Main Street and Market Square.
NORFOLK, VA.
THE FINEST
CLOTHS, CASSIMERES & VESTINGS,
All of which will be made up in the
MOST FASHIONABLE STYLE,
And will compare with the best Houses in New York City, as to material and workmanship. As none but the best journeymen artists are employed to execute work A fit is guaranteed in every case.
May 28. 26-y

Ed. P. Tabb, Ed. M. Moore, Ed. J. Griffith
EDWARD P. TABB & CO.
WHOLESALE DEALERS IN
HARDWARE, CUTLERY
AND
FANCY GOODS.
West Side Market Square,
Norfolk, Va.
Sign of the Anvil.
AGENTS FOR THE SALE OF OLD Dominion Nails, Emery's Cotton Gin, Boyle & Gambles Circular, Pit and ½ cut Saws *Warranted.* Gum Belting, all sizes. A large stock always on hand of Axes, Spades, Shovels, Forks, Chain Traces, Hollow Ware, Horse Collars, Rope.
Agents for Fairbanks & Co's Standard
SCALES,
that will weigh a Gold Dollar or a Canal Boat Loaded
A large stock of Queens Ware, China and Glass. Attention of the trade respectfully solicited. may 28 26-tf

DR. GODDIN'S
COMPOUND
GENTIAN BITTERS
Cures Chills and Fever, Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Colic, Sick Stomach, Bronchitis, Asthma, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, &c.
A UNIVERSAL TONIC.
A sure, safe, and reliable preventative and cure for all Malarial diseases, and all diseases requiring a general tonic impression.
Prepared only by Dr. N. A. H. GODDIN and for sale everywhere.
JAMES T. WIGGINS,
(Successor to J H Baker & Co., Proprietary Agent and Wholesale dealer in Patent Medicines, Norfolk, Virginia. April 29 22-1y

NOTICE—I. O. O. F.
REPITON ENCAMPMENT, No. 13, I. O. O. F.
Meets regularly on the FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY of each month, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.
A. McCABE,
Scribe.
Tarboro', N C., Sept. 9, 1869. 41-tf

MISCELLANEOUS.

T. M. ROBINSON & CO.,
GENERAL
Commission Merchants,
No. 17 Cheapside,
BALTIMORE.
Consignments and Orders respectfully solicited.
All Communications promptly answered.
Sept. 2. 40-6m

IN MARTIN SUPERIOR COURT.
John M Sherrod, Adm'r of E W Cox, Dec'd
Against.
The Heirs at Law of E W Cox.
Petition for Sale of Land to Pay Debts.
IT appearing to me that William Cox, one of the Defendants in the above case, is a citizen of the State of Florida, he is hereby notified to appear at my office in the Town of Williamston, County of Martin, and State of North Carolina, within or at the expiration of sixty days from the 19th August, 1869, and answer the complaint of the Plaintiff, or the petition will be taken *pro confesso* and heard accordingly.
JOSEPH M. SITERSON,
Clerk of Superior Court,
of Martin County.
Williamston, Sept. 30. 41-6w

REMOVAL.
WE HAVE REMOVED OUR
HARNESS ESTABLISHMENT
to our Carriage Shop, where we intend to keep up the business as heretofore.
Stock of
HARNESS
on hand, larger than ever.
Saddles, Bridles and all other goods in our line will be sold low.
Repairing promptly attended to.
HUSSEY BRO'S & CO.
Tarboro', N. C., June 3, '69. 26-tf

Wilson Collegiate Seminary.
FOR YOUNG LADIES.
At Wilson, N. C.,
WILMINGTON AND WELDON R. R.
NEXT SESSION BEGINS SEPT. 13th, 1869.
Board, with English Tuition, per quarter of 10 weeks, if paid in advance, $50.—Washing and Lights, $5. With Tuition in Latin, French and Music [Piano] $75.
For Catalogue, &c., address
MESSRS. HOOPER,
Wilson, N. C.
Aug. 5. 36-tf

State of North Carolina,
Edgecombe County.
In the Superior Court of said County.
Marcellus Hussey Adm'r of T. C. Hussey.
Against.
John Hussey, Thos. W. Hussey, Jesse Hussey, Thaddeus Hussey, Sarah Hussey, Mary Hussey, Maggie Hussey, James Rogers and Thomas Rogers.
Petition to make Real Estate Assets.
IT appearing to the Court by affidavit of Plaintiff, that John Hussey one of the Defendants in the above named case is a non resident of this State, upon motion,
It is ordered, that publication be made in the Southerner, a newspaper published in the town of Tarboro', for six consecutive weeks, summoning the said John Hussey to appear at the office of the Clerk of Superior Court for the County of Edgecombe within 20 days after the last publication by summons, and answer the petition of the Plaintiff, a copy of which will be deposited in the office of said Clerk within 10 days from the date of the summons, and notify him that if he fails to answer said petition within that time the Plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded.
FRED. PHILIPS, Attorney
for Plaintiff.
Oct. 7, 1869. 45-6w

GOOD NEWS. GOOD NEWS.
Good News.
New Firm,
New Store
and New Goods.
To the Citizens of Tarboro' and the surrounding Country.
MORRIS & BRO. HAVE ARRIVED and opened a New Store on Main Street, directly opposite R. B. Alsop's Grocery Store, where can be found a good assortment of
READY MADE CLOTHING, DRY GOODS, BOOTS AND SHOES, HATS AND CAPS, LADIES AND GENTS FURNISHING GOODS, NOTIONS,
TRUNKS, VALISES, &c., &c., AT the Lowest Cash Prices.
Also can be found at our Store a fine selection of Cloths, Cassimeres, and Vesting for Custom Trade, which we will make up to order and guarantee to fit, at the shortest notice, and upon the most reasonable terms.
Cutting and Repairing neatly done.
Please give us a call and satisfy yourselves before purchasing elsewhere.
MORRIS & BRO.,
TARBORO', N. C.
June 3. 25-6m

THE "WELCOME" RESTAURANT
AND
BAR.
THE undersigned put in their claim for a share of the patronage of Tarboro' and Edgecombe County.
It affords them pleasure to announce to the public that they have now in successful operation a
First Class Bar
containing *only the best of Liquors*, to which they invite the attention of all.
Connected with the Bar is a *splendid collection* of
Groceries, Confectionaries, &c.,
just received and warranted the best of their kind. The purest
CANDIES,
fresheat
FRUITS,
and everything pertaining to a select establishment of the kind will always be found on hand.
Later in the Season it is the intention of the Proprietors to open in connection with their Grocery and Bar,
A FIRST CLASS
EATING HOUSE,
where meals can be furnished at all hours. Next door to the old stand of "S. S. Hicks."
J. W. WARD & CO.
Aug. 26. 39-1y

The Tarboro' Southerner.

THURSDAY, - - - - - NOV. 18, 1869.

Our First Boots.

BY REV. T. DE WITT TALMAGE.

We have seen many days of joy, but we remember no such exhilaration as that felt by us on the day when we mounted our first pair of boots. To appreciate such an era in life, we must needs have been brought up in the country. Boys in town come to this crisis before they can appreciate the height and depth of such an acquisition. The boot period is the dividing line between babyhood and boyhood. Before the boots, one is trampled upon by comrades, and stuck with pins, and we walk with an air of apology for the fact that we were born at all. Robust school-fellows strike us across the cheek, and when we turn toward them, they cry, "Who are you looking at?" or what is worse than any possible insult, have somebody chuck us under the chin, and call us "Bub." Before the crisis of boots, the country boy carries no handkerchief. This keeps him in a state of constant humiliation. Whats ever crisis may come in the boy's history—no handkerchief. This is the very unpopular period of snuffles.

But at last the age of boots dawns upon a boy. Henceforth, instead of always having to get out of the way, he will make others get out of *his* way. He will sometimes get the Scripture lesson confused, and when smitten on the right cheek, will turn and give it to his opponent on the left cheek also. Indeed, we do not think that there is any regulation, human or divine, demanding that a boy submit to the schoolbully. I think we should teach our boy to avoid all quarrel and strife; but, nevertheless, to take care of himself. We remember with deep satisfaction how that, after Jim Johnson had knocked our hat in the mud, and spit in our face, and torn our new coat, we felt called upon to vindicate the majesty of our new boots. That, however, was before we had any idea of ever becoming a minister. But when the time spoken of in a boy's life comes, look out how you call him "Bub." He parts his hair on the side, has the end of his white handkerchief sticking out the top of his side pocket as if it were accidentally arranged so, has a dignified and manly mode of expectoration, and walks down the road with long strides, as much as to say: "Clear the track for my boots!"

We have seen imposing men, but none have so thoroughly impressed us as the shoemaker who, with waxy hand, delivered into our possession our first pedal adornments. As he put the awl through the leather, and then inserted the two bristles into the hole, and drew them through it, and then, bending over the lap stone, grasped the threads with hard grip, and brought them up with a jerk that made the shop shake, we said to ourself: "Here is gracefulness for you and power!"

It was Sabbath-day when we broke them in. Oh! the rapture of that moment when we lay hold the straps at one end, and, with our big brother pushing at the other, the boot went on! We fear that we got but little advantage that day from the services. All the pulpit admonition about worldliness and pride struck the toe of our boots, and fell back. We trampled under our feet all good counsels. We have to repent that, while some trust in horses and some in chariots, we put too much stress upon leather. Though our purchase was so tight in the instep that, as soon as we got to the woods, we went limping on our way—what boots it?—We felt that in such a cause it was noble to suffer.

For some reason, boots are not what they used to be. You pay a big price, and you might walk all day without hearing once from them; but the original pair of which I tell spake out for themselves. No one doubted whether you had been to church after you had once walked up the aisle in company with such leather. It was the pure eloquence of calf-skin.

We have seen hunting-boots, and fishing-boots, and jack-boots, American boots, and French boots; but we despair of finding anything to equal *our* first pair, which had the brightest gloss, the finest heels, and the merriest squeak. Alas! they are gone! And so is the artist who fashioned them.—He has laid down his awl. Moons shall wax for him no more. He has done forever with pegs. But we shall always remember how he looked one Saturday afternoon, when, the sunflowers in the yard, and the cat on the window-sill, he sat upon his counter our first pair of boots. For his sake, may there be peace to all departed shoemakers! May they go straight to St. Crispin, that Roman artist in leather, remarkable for the fact that when he declared that a pair of shoes should be done by Saturday night, he always kept his promise.

How Much Wheat for a Barrel of Flour?—The question, "How much wheat does it take to make a barrel of flour?" is often asked, and the answer is of a general character, "Five bushels are allowed." At the annual fair of the Dubuque County Agricultuaal Society in 1866, a premium of $30 was offered for the best barrel of flour made from winter wheat, and also the same made from spring wheat. A firm entered one barrel of each, accompanied with the statement that sixteen bushels of winter wheat yielded three barrels and one hundred and three pounds of flour—a rate of four bushels and fifteen pounds of wheat to the barrel. Of spring, fifty bushels yielded eleven barrels of flour being four bushels and thirty-two pounds to the barrel. The wheat was a fair quality and no more.—*Michigan Farmer.*

Babies and Kittens.

Sidney Smith somewhere says that no house is perfect that does not contain a baby and a kitten. With this I rather agree. There is a wonderful kind of cheeriness in a house that counts these amongst its treasures; and underlying each, there is much that is hidden. A baby implies much expectation, mingled hopes and fears, anxious guesses, joyous castle-building, diligent preparation. Then there is the joy when it arrives, the thankfulness that all is well, the new arrangements to be made in the household, the queer mistakes if it be the first—the ups and downs in the frail, early life of the little creature. On this follows the strange linking in that helpless being into all the life of the parents. How wondrously does it expand the heart, and purify and raise the affections, and add new motives of action to the life! And as the baby grows out of babyhood, still how the babyhood time is kept in memory, and its little nameless incidents cherished in the family traditions. There seems still to be a baby, where the living fact no longer is found.—And a grand story lingers round the kitten of the family. Perhaps it is found some day in the garden, a poor stray waif. Perhaps it is born on the premises, and one day appears, to the perfect wonderment of the family.—Then, how many pleasures quickly surround it and of what future hopes does it soon become the centre in the nursery! But around this anxieties cluster. Kittens do not come singly. Most parents object to the whole brood being kept. Then arises the difficulty; what is to be done with those not wanted? It is a moment the father looks to with dread, but one which he has to face.—It requires a good share of moral courage. At length he proposes that three out of the four should be drowned. He knows how this proposal will be met. He shrinks from the reproachful looks, from the muttered surprise, from the low esteem in which his character for kindness must sink for the time. He can realize the hesitation of the child as she pointed at last to the twins in the cradle, and picked out the one would like to be kept. But at last it is over, and the kitten spared so absorbs the attention and love of the children that all the sad past is forgotten, and the father rises to his usual place in their eyes. The graceful gambols, the winning ways, the pretty tricks of the kitten, these make gladness by the happy fireside. Yes, baby and kitten are grand institutions in a house.

The Papacy.

A Paris paper, *La Liberte*, gives a curious sketch of the individuals who have filled the Holy See since its inauguration by St. Peter. No throne in Europe furnishes so many violent and bloody deaths.

From St. Peter to Pius IX. there have been 293 Popes. Of these 31 are considered anti-Popes, or usurpers, in the same sense as the Bourbons regard Napoleon as an intruder. Of the 262 legitimate Popes, 29 met violent deaths under circumstances that entitled them to the repute of martyrs, the other 35 also met violent deaths; 18 poisoned, 4 assassinated and 13 by various means. Stephen was strangled; Leo III. and John XIV. were mutilated, and the latter starved to death, as also Gregory XIV.; Luke was stoned; Gregory VIII. was confined in an iron cage; Celestin V. was ended by a nail driven into his temple; Boniface VIII. committed suicide; Clement V. was burnt on his sick bed; Urban VI. was killed by a fall from his horse; Pius IV. died from erotic excess.

Sixty-four Popes then died by extraordinary means, without counting 20 others who died suddenly, from chagrin caused by reverses.

Twenty six Popes have been deposed or exiled, besides the Popes at Avignon.

Thirty-five Popes were hereties.—The first 13 did not believe in the Divinity of Christ; 19 rejected the worship of images and 3 anticipated Luther in his doctrines. Many have been accused of murder. Leo V. was a woman. Twenty-eight Popes invoked foreign aid to keep them on their throne.

To sum up, 153 Popes of the 293 were adjudged unworthy of their position. "What Dynasty (asks the *Liberte*) has such a history? And yet the actual Pope has called a council, which is going to declare him infallible!"

Exit Blondes—Brunettes the Fashionable Rage.

[From the New York World.]

It is intimated that the blondes are not to have it all their own way this winter, as they have had for several years past. The brunettes, instead of dying their hair a dingy yellow, and daubing their skins until their complexion looked like raw starch, have wisely determined to stick to their own brilliant and natural attractions, and fight it out upon that line. They have discovered that their utmost efforts only succeeded in producing a hideous sort of general resemblances to the blondes, who were thus left masters of the field, superior to competition or rivalry.

This supremacy received a great blow, however, a few weeks ago, at a grand wedding which was considered as inaugurating the fashionable season. The beautiful bride, though not strictly a brunette, was not at all a blonde, but the four bridesmaids, all exceedingly lovely, were all decided brunettes, and wore in their dark tresses only the scarlet flowers of the sweet-scented geranium. Their dresses were triumphs of arts and taste. They consisted of white tulle, *bouillonne*, trimmed with white satin paniers. The bouquets of scarlet flowers were placed on the left side of the bodice.

An Awful Old Musket.

Mark Twain tells the following story related by a fellow passenger, who, being bantered about his timidity, said he had never been scared since he loaded an old Queen Ann musket for his father once, whereupon he gave the following:

"You see, the old man was trying to learn me to shoot blackbirds and beasts that tore up the young corn and such things, so that I could be of some use about the farm, because I wasn't big enough to do much. My gun was a single-barreled shot-gun, and the old man carried an old Queen Anne musket that weighed a ton, made a report like a thunder clap, and kicked like a mule. The old man wanted me to shoot the musket sometimes, but I was afraid. One day, though, I got her down, and so I took her to the hired man, and asked him how to load her, because it was out in the field. 'Hiram,' said he, 'do you see these marks on the stock, an X and a V on each side of the Queen's crown? Well, that means ten balls and five slugs—that's her load.'

"'But, how much powder?'

"'Oh,' he says, 'it don't matter; put in three or four handfuls.'

"So I loaded her up that way, and it was an awful charge—I had sense enough to see that—and started out. I leveled her on a good many blackbirds, but every time I went to pull the trigger I shut my eyes and winked. I was afraid of her kick. Towards sundown I fetched up at the house, and there was the old man resting on the porch.

"'Been out hunting, have ye?'

"'Yes, sir,' says I.

"'What did you kill?'

"'Didn't kill anything, sir—didn't shoot her off—was afraid she would kick,' (I knew blamed well she would.)

"'Gimme the gun!' the old man said, as mad as sin.

"And he took aim at a sapling on the other side of the road, and I began to drop back out of danger. And the next moment I heard the Queen Anne whirling end over end in the air, and the old man spinning around on one heel with one leg up and both hands on his jaw, and the bark was torn off from that sapling like a hail storm.—The old man's shoulder was set back three inches and his jaw turned black and blue, and he had to lay up for three days. Cholera nor nothing else can scare me the way I was scared that time."

Marriage A La Mode in 1769.

It may interest our young readers, and especially such as are revolving, matrimonial designs, to read following description, which we take from one of our exchanges, of the costumes worn by the bride and bridegroom, on the occasion of a fashionable marriage in the year of grace, 1769:

To begin with the lady: Her locks were strained upward over an immense cushion that sat like an incubus on her head, and plastered over with pomatum, and then sprinkled over with a shower of white powder. The height of this tower was somewhat over a foot. One single white rosebud lay on its top like an eagle on a haystack. Over her neck and bosom was folded a lace handkerchief, fastened in front by a bosom pin rather larger than a cent, containing her grandfather's miniature set in virgin gold. Her airy form was braced up in a satin dress, the sleeves as tight as the natural skin of the arm, with a waist formed by a bodice, worn outside, whence the skirt flowed off, and was distended at the top of an ample hood. Shoes of white kid, with peaked toes, and heels of two or three inches elevation, inclosed her feet, and glittered with spangles, as her little pedal members peeped out. Now for the swain: his hair was sleeked back and plentifully beflowered, while his queue projected like a handle of a skillet. His coat was a sky-blue silk, lined with yellow; his long vest of white satin, embroidered with gold lace; his breeches of same material, and tied at the knees with pink ribbon. White silk stockings and pumps with laces, completed his gay and unique attire.

Selections for Newspapers.

Most people think the selection of suitable matter for a newspaper the easiest part of the business. How great an error. To look over and over fifty exchange papers daily, from which to select enough for one, especially when the question is not what shall, but what shall not be selected, is no very easy task. If every person who reads a newspaper could have edited it, we should have less complaint. Not unfrequently it is the case that an editor looks over all his exchange papers for something and finds absolutely nothing. Every paper is drier than a contribution-box; and yet something must be had—his paper must be out with something in it, and he does the best he can. To an editor who has the least care in what he selects, the writing he has to do is the easiest part of his labor. Every subscriber thinks the paper is printed for his own benefit and if there is nothing to suit him, it must be—it is, good for nothing. As many subscribers as an editor has, so many tastes he has to consult. One wants something very smart and something sound. One likes anecdotes, fun and frolic, and his next door neighbor wonders that a man of sense will put such stuff in his paper. Something spicy comes out and the editor is a blackguard. Next comes something argumentative and the editor is a dull fool. And so between them all the poor fellow gets the worst of it. They never reflect what does not please them will please the next man; but they insist that if the paper does not suit them it is good for nothing, and stop taking it immediately.