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SPECIAL NOTICE.

From and after this date, no name of a new subscriber will be entered without payment in advance, nor will the paper be sent to such subscribers for a longer time than is paid for.

Such of our old subscribers as desire to take the paper on this system will please notify us when making remittances.

Jan'y 1, 1858.

SPRING STOCK FOR 1860.

THE subscribers have in Store, and are now receiving a very large

STOCK OF GOODS,
in their line, direct from the Manufacturers in Europe and Importers and Agents in this Country. Among which may be found:
100 Tons of best Swedes Iron from 14 to 12 in
800 Doz. Pocket Knives;
600 " Table Knives and Forks;
300 " Mill Saw and other Files;
60 " Frying Pans;
30 " Hand Saws;
25 Tons Hoop Iron;
10 " Hollow-Wares;
600 Kegs of Nails, assorted;
333 Bags of Coffee, "
19 Hhds. and 68 bbls. Sugar;
30 1/2 bbls. Eagle Mill Snuff;
125 Boxes Rose Hill "
50 Kegs best Sup. Carb. Soda.

Together with a complete assortment of other articles sold in a Grocery and Hardware Store. All of which are offered to the Trade for Cash, or on the usual time to prompt dealers, at prices to compete with New York Jobbers. GEO. W. WILLIAMS & CO., Fayetteville, Feb'y 22, 1860. 941f

James Kyle

HAS just received his SPRING AND SUMMER SUPPLY OF

DRY GOODS,

—among which are—
Printed Lawns,
Double Skirt Robes,
Single ditto,
Prints, real French, British and Domestic,
Irish Linens, Diapers, &c.,
Holding Cloths,
With a very large assortment of all kinds of Goods generally kept in wholesale and retail Stores, all of which are offered at wholesale and retail—CHEAP.
March 24, 1860. 31f

No. 34 Hay Street.

J. K. KYLE

Is now receiving his Spring and Summer Stock of **STAPLE AND FANCY DRY GOODS,**
Among which may be found the following articles, at prices which will prove satisfactory to the purchaser:
Dress Goods in pieces, consisting of Muslins, Lawns, Gingham, Prints, Bergees, Black and White Challies, Silks, &c., &c.
In ROBES the following line:
Lawn Robes, Double and Single Skirts, Bergee do., Gingham do., Lace Points, Shawls and Mantillas in profusion, Ribbons, Hosiery and Gloves, Spool Cotton, Hats and Caps, Boots and Shoes.
All of which will be offered very low. Call and examine, no charge for looking. J. K. KYLE, et al.
March 14, 1860. 24f

REMOVAL.

E. GLOVER,
WATCH MAKER AND JEWELER.
HAS removed two Doors West of his old stand, to the store adjoining D. & W. McLaurin's, where he has received a large addition to his former Stock, and he invites his old customers and the public to call and examine his NEW STORE and NEW GOODS, and assures them he will sell anything in his line as cheap as can be purchased at any other Store North of South.

—Among his Stock can be found:
Gold and Silver Watches of all prices and qualities; Gold and Silver Chains, Seals and Keys; Bracelets, Breast Pins and Ear Rings; Gold Lockets, Gold Pens and Pencils, &c., &c.; Fine and Common Pistols, Silver and Plated Ware of all kinds; a handsome stock of Clocks; all kinds of Military Goods; and every thing wanted in his line.

Particular attention paid to Watch Repairing.
March 7, 1860. 98-3m

Leather! Leather!

Oak and Hemlock Sole Leather,
Oak and Hemlock Sole Leather,
Oak and Hemlock Sole Leather,
French, German and American Calf Skins,
French, German and American Calf Skins,
French, German and American Calf Skins,
Morocco, Kid and Patent Leather,
Morocco, Kid and Patent Leather,
Morocco, Kid and Patent Leather,
Bindings, Linings, Lastings, &c.
Bindings, Linings, Lastings, &c.
We invite Country Merchants and Manufacturers to examine our stock of Leather and Shoe Findings, Trimmings, &c., which we offer at wholesale or retail for Cash, or good paper, at the lowest prices. All orders executed faithfully.
MAYNARD, ELY & ROSE,
No. 46 South Calvert St., Balto. Md.
April 3. 6-2mpd.

Liquors! Liquors! Liquors!

J. W. HORNE being desirous to close out his stock of Liquors, will offer inducements in prices. As he intends to quit the trade, his stock will be sold low.
For sale at cost and charges,
100 BARRELS,
of various kinds and qualities.
Persons indebted must call and settle.
Feb 16 92-1f

Fruits! Fruits!

ORANGES, NEW YORK APPLES at \$2 a bushel.
J. R. LEE,
No. 40, Hotel Buildings.
April 9. 71f

NEGROES WANTED.

THE subscribers wish to purchase a number of young NEGROES, for which they are willing to pay the highest cash prices. Persons having such property to dispose of would do well to call on them or address them at Red Springs, N. C.
H. & A. McNEILL,
Red Springs, March 20, 1860. 31f

NOW IN MARKET.

ALL persons having NEGROES for sale, will do well to address the subscriber at Clinton, Sampson county, as he is determined to buy and pay as liberal prices for them as the state of the market will permit. By addressing him he will call immediately, and make liberal offers, as all will find who will try him.
CHARLES T. STEVENS,
Clinton, Sampson Co., Sept 10, 1859 48-1ypd

WANTED.

A LARGE quantity of COTTON and LINEN RAGS, for which fair prices will be paid.
DAVID MURPHY,
Aug. 17 41-

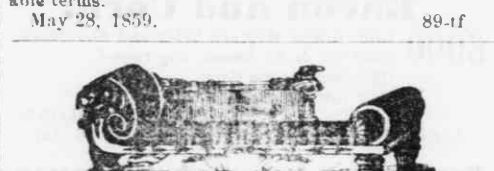
The Largest Carriage Factory in the South!



A. A. McKETHAN

RESPECTFULLY informs his friends and the public, that he has built up a large substantial Brick Building at his Old Stand, expressly for manufacturing Carriages. Thankful for the very liberal patronage he has received for the last 21 years, he hopes by strict attention to business, with a desire to give satisfaction, to merit a continuance of the same. He warrants his work to be made of the best material and by experienced workmen in each branch of the business. His work will compare favorably with any made in the United States, for neatness and durability. He is determined to sell and do any work in his line as good terms as any work done elsewhere that is as well done. He now has on hand, finished, THE LARGEST STOCK OF Carriages, Barouches, Roekaways and Buggies,

ever offered in this place, and a very large stock of work nearly finished, which will be finished daily. All of which will be sold very low for cash, or on short time to punctual customers. He has on hand more than ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY VEHICLES finished and in course of construction.
All work made by him is warranted 12 months with fair usage, and should it fail by bad workmanship or material, will be repaired free of charge.
Persons wishing to buy would do well to call and examine for themselves.
Orders thankfully received and promptly attended to. Repairing executed at short notice and on very reasonable terms.
May 28, 1859. 89-1f



J. W. BAKER

Is now receiving from the North the largest, finest, and most carefully selected stock of

FURNITURE

ever offered in this market; which added to his own manufacture, makes his assortment complete;—all of which he will sell on the lowest possible terms for cash or on time to punctual customers.
Fashionable painted cottage bed-room Furniture in sets; curled hair and shuck, and cotton Mattresses; Looking Glasses; Willow Wagons and Cradles; Side Boards; Bureaus; Secretaries and Book-Cases; What-Nots; Tables; all sorts; Wash Stands; Candle Stands; Wardrobes; Picture Frames and Glass; Window Shades; Cornices; Curtain Ropes; Sofas in Mahogany and Walnut; Tete a Tete; Ottomans; Divans and Stools; Chairs of every variety.
Fine Rosewood Pianos, one with Eolian attachment; Rosewood Melodians, from the best manufacturers in New York and Boston, warranted as good as any made in the country, and will be sold at New York prices—freight only added.
September 2. 451f

Marble Factory,



By GEO. LAUDER,

TWO DOORS ABOVE C. T. HAIGH & SONS' STORE
Fayetteville, N. C.
Jan'y 20, 1860 84-

FAYETTEVILLE

MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY.
ASSETS \$254,618.62.

THIS Company has been in operation more than six years, and has paid its fire losses, amounting to \$23,524.87 without any assessment; insurance averaging its members about 1/2 per cent.
Amount of property now insured, \$1,563,490.01
Amount premium notes on hand, 247,726.08
Directors,
Geo. McNeill, S. T. Hawley,
D. A. Ray, W. N. Tillinghast,
H. L. Myrover, A. A. McKethan,
S. W. Tillinghast, J. D. Williams,
Henry Lilly, Jas. G. Cook,
N. A. Stehman, W. A. Steel,
S. J. Hinesdale, Jas. Kyle,
T. S. Lutterloh, Hon. J. G. Shepherd,
Wm. McLaurin, W. F. Brown, Wilmington.

THE NORTH CAROLINA

MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,
NOW in the tenth year of successful operation, with growing capital and firmer hold upon public confidence, continues to insure the lives of all healthy persons from 14 to 60 years of age, for one year, for seven years, and for life—all life members sharing in the profits. All slaves from 10 to 60 years of age are insured for one year or five years for two-thirds their value. All losses are punctually paid within 90 days after satisfactory proof is presented.
For further information the public is referred to Agents of the Company in all parts of the State, and to
R. H. BATTLE, Secretary, Raleigh.
E. J. HALE, Agent at Fayetteville, N. C.
Jan'y 1860.

DENTISTRY.

D. K. J. DAVIS having decided on permanently locating in the Town of Fayetteville, respectfully offers his services to the citizens of this place and surrounding country. In all the various branches of his Profession, including the manufacture of Mineral Teeth, he is satisfied, after an extensive experience, to which is added a thorough Dental education, that he can give entire satisfaction as far as is in the power of Dentistry. All irregularities of the Teeth treated in a proper and careful manner, as well as diseases of the mouth. None but the proper metals are made use of in the various operations. Charges will be moderate, and the benefits of the Profession may be placed within the reach of all who may feel an interest in the preservation of the Teeth.
Office over Houston's Jewelry Store, where he may be found at all times.
May 10, 1859. 91f

Blank Warrants for sale at this Office

"Squire, what is the meaning of such a crowd in front of Woodward's?"
"He has just received his SPRING STOCK, and I suppose they are there making their selections!"

THIS season the style of Coats is Double and Single BREASTED, with Large Sleeves; PANTS, LARGE LEGS; Vest Double and Single Breasted.
My Stock is now complete and ready for inspection by all those who may wish well made and neat fitting garments. Call and make your selections before the Stock is picked over.

CATALOGUE OF DIFFERENT VARIETIES.

Black Cloth Coats, Single and Double Breasted.
Silk Mixture Suits, (Cassimere Suits).
French Dr. d'Ete, Imitation Dr. d'Ete.
Black Alpaca Frocks and Sacks.
Tweeds in Suits.
Linen Frocks and Sacks.
Linen Busters, five different varieties.
Black Doeskin Pants.
Extra supply of Fancy Cassimeres.
Drap d'Ete, French Ribbed.
Wool Navy Duck and Marseilles.
A supply of Youth's Cassimere Suits.
Also, pants for boys from 7 to 14 years old. VESTS of every style and varieties for the Season.
Special attention is called to a NEW STYLE SHIRT never introduced in this Market before this season. Extra supply of Gauze Flannel and Merino finish Under Shirts. A large supply of Neck Ties, Collars, Suspenders, Hosiery, Gloves, Trunks, Valises & Carpet Bags.
All the above goods will be sold low for Cash, or on time to all those who pay their Bills when presented.
P. S. Don't forget that my FRENCH TAILOR is ready to make up at any time Clothing for any Gentleman who wishes to have them made to order. Call at any time at the ONE PRICE CLOTHING STORE and leave your measure and your orders will be filled and satisfaction guaranteed.
Market Square, Two Doors below Hinesdale's Drug Store.
A. J. WOODWARD, 7-2m
April 9, 1860.

Fish.

20 BBLs. No. 3 MACKEREL.
16 No. 1 MULLETS, in oak bbls.
25 do. HERRING. For sale by
PEMBERTON & SLOAN.
April 5, 1860. 6-1m

Molasses.

15 HHDs. prime New Crop MOLASSES, for sale by
PEMBERTON & SLOAN.
April 5, 1860. 6-1m

Cigars and Tobacco.

25,000 CIGARS, various brands,
50 Boxes Manufactured TOBACCO.
For sale by
PEMBERTON & SLOAN.
April 5, 1860. 6-1m

CAPT. WILKES'S REPORT

ON THE DEEP RIVER MINERAL REGION.
THE undersigned have caused to be published from the Congressional papers, an edition of the Report of Capt. Wilkes, U. S. Navy, and his Associates on the Board appointed by the Secretary of the Navy to examine the Deep River Region of North Carolina. This is the most important and scientific statement of the great wealth of that section of the State, and the Maps the most perfect and valuable, of any yet published. The Maps are worth the price of the work, which is 30 cents, neatly bound in cloth. Copies sent by mail, free of postage, on the receipt of 50 cents. A liberal discount to wholesale buyers. Orders solicited.
Jan'y 26. E. J. HALE & SON.

A GEM!

The New Style, Small, COLORED PHOTOGRAPHS, at Vanosdell's Gallery.

ART.

Woodward's Solar Camera.

PHOTOGRAPHS

can be had at Vanosdell's Skylight Gallery, Hay street, opposite Marble Yard, Fayetteville, N. C.; plain, retouched, colored, in water colors, oil and pastel; from small to life size. Ambrotypes, Melanotypes, and all other styles of Pictures pertaining to the Art. Also, Gift France, Gift Moulding, Glass for very large pictures—as large as 28 by 36 inches. Cord and Tassels for hanging pictures; Instruments, Stock and Chemicals for sale low for cash. Life size colored Photographs made from small pictures. Having permanently located here I hope to merit your patronage. I would also return my sincere thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed on me heretofore by the good people of Fayetteville and vicinity.
C. M. VANOSDELL,
Photographer and Proprietor.
Dec'r 20, 1859 77-

NEW BOOKS.

THE RIVALS, by Jerre Clemens; Art Recreations; The Right Word in the right place; Fisher's River (N. C.) by "Skirt"; Sword and God; Wild Sports in the South; Leisure Moments of Miss M. A. Butt; A. M. Footfalls on the Boundaries of another World; by Rob't Dale Owen; the Man in Black, by James; Evelyn Marston, &c., &c.
Also, further supplies of Webster's Pictorial Unabridged; Wood's Practice; U. S. Dispensary; Preston's Interest Tables; Inquire Within, School Books, &c.
March 5. E. J. HALE & SON.

Books! Books!

FURTHER supplies of the Southern Harmony; N. C. Readers Nos. 1, 2, 3; Montei's Geography Nos. 1, 2, 3; Lincoln's Botany; Kames Elements; Wells's Primary Dictionary; Davies' Arithmetic; Columbian Orator; Northend's American Speaker; Little Speaker; Emerson's Arithmetics, &c., &c.
Just received by
March 26. E. J. HALE & SON.

WE refer our readers to the advertisement of

Messrs. CHURCH & DUPONT, No. 409 Broadway, New York. The "Blood Food," is one of the greatest medicines of the age, and is rapidly driving out of the market all the quack nostrums of modern times. Its efficacy is so great, and its superiority so justly acknowledged, that it is found difficult to supply the immense and increasing demand for the article. Dr. Eaton's celebrated "Infantile Cordial," is a medicine prepared by a regular physician of eminence in his profession, and one who has devoted his life to the peculiar phases of Infantile diseases. It is no humbug, but a medicine which commends itself to those only who can appreciate it. —Apulachicola, Flor. Times.
See advertisement.
March 24. 3-

Catechism of U. States History,

By B. R. CARROLL—a Southern School Book.
March 28. E. J. HALE & SON.

Harpers' Magazine for May.

April 28. E. J. HALE & SON.

SECOND SPRING STOCK.

WE have received our second purchase, consisting of a large and desirable stock of **Staple and Fancy Dry Goods, HATS, BONNETS, BOOTS, SHOES, UMBRELLAS, READY-MADE CLOTHING, TRUNKS, &c.**
Which we offer exclusively to Wholesale Buyers, on terms as favorable as they can be bought North of South. STARR & WILLIAMS, 111f
April 23.

2d Spring Stock.

H. & E. J. LILLY
Are now receiving IN PART, and during the week will have in Store, THE BALANCE of their **Second Spring Purchases,** embracing an excellent assortment of **GOODS,** adapted to the Season, all of which were selected PERSONALLY with care, and will be sold at REASONABLE prices.
April 23, 1860. 11-4f

FOR SALE.

1000 New and Second-hand SPTS. BARRELS.
175 Bags Yellow CORN.
400 " White Do.
2000 Bus. heavy Maryland OATS.
10,000 Lbs. BACON SIDES.
100 Barrels CORN WHISKEY.
10 Tons HOOP IRON.
100 Sacks LIVERPOOL SALT.
300 Casks Fresh LIME.
100 Bbls. HYDRAULIC CEMENT.
T. S. LUTTERLOH.
April 23. 11-3w

FOR SALE.

FOUR LARGE MULES and HARNESS. One Strong WAGON in good order.
T. S. LUTTERLOH.
April 23. 11-2w

FOR SALE.

DWELLING HOUSE and LOT, on Rowan Street, West of Mr. J. A. Pemberton's residence. A bargain can be had.
T. S. LUTTERLOH.
April 23. 11-3w

NEW GOODS.

THE subscribers are receiving a large Stock of Goods in their line, consisting of **GROCERIES, Hardware and Cutlery, Farming Utensils, Turpentine Tools, SADDLERY, WHIPS, &c.,**
Embracing almost every article kept in a Stock of this kind, and will make it to the interest of merchants and all others purchasing to give them a call. The above Goods will be offered low for Cash, exchanged for Country Produce, or sold on short time to prompt paying customers.
PEMBERTON & SLOAN.
Fayetteville, April 5, 1860. 4-3mid

COFFEE---COFFEE---COFFEE.

ANOTHER "SOUTHERN BOTTOM."
ABOUT the 20th of May we expect the brig H. A. CAMPBELL, freight from Rio Janeiro with 2000 Bags Selected Grades Coffee, which will be sold upon arrival on usual terms. The attention of the merchants of the State is respectfully solicited.
O. G. PARSLEY & CO.
Wilmington, N. C., April 19. 10-3f

NEW BOOKS.

THE MARBLE FAUN, by Hawthorne; Southern Wealth and Northern Poverty; A Life Struggle, by Miss Pardee; Passing Thoughts, by Sewell; Night Lessons from Scripture, by De Witt; Women of Worth; Art Recreations. Men who have risen; The Federalist; Scott's Postal Culture; Druitt's Modern Surgery; Field's Per Culture; School Books, &c.
E. J. HALE & SON.
April 18, 1860. 10-3f

Trustee's Notice.

PERSONS having claims against James Huske prior to the 27th Oct. 1857, who are provided for in Deed of Trust made by said James Huske to me of that date, are requested to present them duly authenticated within the next 10 days, as I desire to close up the Trust.
SAML' W. TILLINGHAST, Trustee.
April 16, 1860. 10t

WANTED.

TWO young men well acquainted with business.
JAMES KYLE.
April 21. 11-5f

The Largest Stock of Tobacco

EVER offered in Fayetteville, is now in store by
J. W. HORNE.
April 23, 1860. 11-2w

Hillsboro' Military Academy.

THE second term of this Institution begins on the 1st of MAY. For a circular respecting terms, course of study, etc., address the Superintendent,
COL. C. C. TEW.
April 21. 11-3f-2f

ANNUAL MEETING.

BANK CAPE FEAR, APRIL 18th, 1860.
THE ANNUAL meeting of the Stockholders of this Bank will be held at their Banking House in Wilmington, on Thursday, the 3d day of May next.
H. R. SAVAGE, Cash.
April 19. 11-13M

BANK CAPE FEAR.

APRIL 18th, 1860.
DIVIDEND 101. A Semi-Annual Dividend of Five per cent, has been declared, payable at the Principal Bank and Branches on and after the 1st day of May next.
H. R. SAVAGE, Cash'r.
April 19. 11-14M

A VALUABLE YOUNG NEGRO BOY FOR SALE.

By order of the Court of Equity of Cumberland County, in the case of Jackson Johnson, Sen., et al., vs. Josiah Mantley, et al. I will sell at the next Superior Court for said county, on Tuesday the 15th day of May, at the Court House in Fayetteville, a Valuable and Likely Young NEGRO BOY, named Robert, aged eight or ten years. Sale will take place at 12 o'clock.
Terms of sale Cash.
W. A. HUSKE, C. & M. E.
April 18. 11t

Carriage and Harness for Sale.

A SECOND-HAND large Carriage (seats for six), McKellan's make, in good condition. And a double set of Carriage Harness, Overby's make, nearly new. For sale together or separately.
E. J. HALE.
Nov. 10.

EDITH'S Ministry; Sunshine, or Kate Vinton; The F. Flounced Robe, and What it Cost. Just rec'd.

Dec 8. E. J. HALE & SON.

Arrival Extraordinary.—Old Adams, the great California hunter, with one hundred and fifty living animals of his own capturing, including seven dancing and performing bears, has arrived from San Francisco on board the ship Golden Fleece. There are nineteen cages in all, varying in size, mostly ten feet long, four feet wide, and four feet high—Sampson, Lady Washington, and Fremont, being the largest of the Bruin family, occupy separate cages; all the others, except the buffalo and elk, having two and some three of the large animals.

Besides the seventeen performing bears, embracing ten different kinds, there are two California lions, two do. tigers, two do. cougars, two lynx, seven coyotes, one white wolf, one ant eater, one sea lion, one sea leopard, two silver gray foxes, one full grown buffalo, two elk, two wild mountain goats, seventeen snakes, two large California condors, two do. vultures, five California moon-faced owls, three double-eared do., two Austrian ostriches, (7 feet high.) two white pelicans, two gray do., two large golden eagles, (very rare and beautiful.) two black Lower California eagles, two California American bald eagles, besides a great variety of other birds and animals. It is understood that P. T. Barnum has purchased an undivided half of this novel exhibition at a large figure, and that after a short stay in New York they will visit other cities, and also be exhibited through the country.—New York Com. Ad.

Consumption of Foreign Spirits.—The importation of foreign distilled spirits into the United States in the year 1859 was very large, amounting to \$5,309,680, or nearly a million and a half more than in 1858. Of this amount \$3,262,058 was brandy, the largest amount of this article ever received in one year. The total consumption of all imported beverages during last year was as follows:

Distilled spirits	\$5,309,680
Wine	8,502,148
Beer, ale, and porter	771,499
Total	\$9,583,027

The amount of revenue collected from these liquors was \$2,876,908.

Inhuman Law.—Soon after the conquest of Constantinople by Mahomet II., a law was promulgated declaring that all male children born into any of the Imperial families should be put to death immediately after birth, the object being to secure the nation from trouble touching the succession to the throne. This law has lately been carried into effect in the case of a male child born to the wife of Mahmood Basha, daughter of Abdul-Mejid, the present Sultan of Turkey. The child was strangled a few hours after its birth, despite the tears and supplications of its mother, and the protestations of its father. The inhumanity of the affair has been a good deal discussed in Turkey, and hopes are entertained that a repeal of the law will be the ultimate result.

The Copper Mines of Tennessee.—

Remark upon the operations of several mining companies in Eastern Tennessee, one of which is reported to have produced copper to the value of \$25,000 during the last seven months of 1859, the Nashville Union and American says:

"This 'copper district' lies in Polk county, in the southeastern part of this State, bordering upon the States of Georgia and North Carolina, and in the heart of the Cherokee Nation, and, from the facts brought to light during the past few years, there appears no reason why these mines should not equal the Birra Burra mines of Australia, which have afforded such immense yields."

Consumption of Ice in New York.—

The quantity of ice consumed in the cities of New York and Brooklyn, amounts to the enormous aggregate of 200,000 tons yearly. To insure this supply requires the gross bulk of nearly 300,000 tons, as in transportation and delivery one-third liquefies. To obtain this immense mass, nearly 300,000 men are employed during the greater part of the winter months to cut and store ice.

The New York correspondence of the Scholar Republicans says:—

"I am led to believe that the swindlers in jewelry are not confined to one quarter of the city, but that even in the most fashionable Broadway shops 'all is not gold that glitters.'" The practice of adulterating the precious metals is carried to such an extent that nine-tenths of all the so-called "gold ornaments," bracelets, pins, rings, chains, &c., worn by both sexes, may be fairly estimated to contain, on an average, not over 20 per cent of real gold. In one case a heavy gold fob-chain, bought in Broadway at a cost of eighty dollars, deposited at the Assay Office for melting, was upon assay found to contain just eight dollars' worth of gold, the balance of weight being made up of an alloy of copper and zinc. Large lots of gold ornaments, estimated by their owners at a value of sixteen dollars to the ounce, not unfrequently return a twentieth, and seldom over a tenth of their supposed value.

Culture of Cotton in Utah.—

The Mormons, it is said, are turning attention to the culture of cotton, and in Washington county, three hundred miles south of Salt Lake City, about five tons were raised the past year. One person raised two hundred pounds of ginned cotton on one-fourth of an acre; and it is stated that enterprising citizens are sending to the States for cotton gins to work up the cotton so as to bring it into market.

A Model Congressman.—

An Arkansas candidate for Congress sets forth his qualifications for office in the following manner: "Gentlemen, if I am elected to this office I will represent my constituents as the sea represents the earth, or as the night contrasts with the day. I will untrive human society, clean