

**THE CASTLE IN THE AIR.**

[BY THOMAS PAINE, ESQ.]

He corresponded with a Lady and fancifully dated his letters from the "Castle in the air," while she address'd hers from the "Little corner of the world." For reasons which he knew not, their intercourse was suddenly suspended, and for a long time he believed his fair friend to be in obscurity and distress—many years after however, he met her very unexpectedly at Paris, in very affluence, circumstances and married to an English Nobleman.—These exquisite verses are founded on that occurrence.

In the regions of clouds, where the whirlwinds arise

My Castle of fancy was built,  
The windows reflected the blue of the skies,  
And the turrets with sunbeams were gilt.

The rainbow sometimes in its beautiful state,  
Enamell'd the mansion around,  
And the figures that fancy in clouds can create,  
Supplied me with garden and ground.

I had grottoes and fountains and orange-tree groves,  
I had all that enchantment has told;  
I had sweet shady walks for the Gods & their Loves,  
I had mountains of coral and gold.

But a storm that I felt not, had risen and roll'd,  
While wreat in a slumber I lay,  
And when I look'd out in the morning,  
Behold! My Castle was carried away.

It pass'd over rivers and vallies & groves  
The world it was all in my view,  
I thought of my friends of their fates and their loves,  
And often full often of you.

At length it came over a beautiful scene  
That nature in silence had made,  
The place was but small yet 'twas sweetly serene,  
And chequer'd with sunshine & shade.

I gazed and I envied with painful good will,  
And grew tired of my seat in the air,  
When all on a sudden my castle stood still!  
As if some enchantment were there.

Like a lark from the sky it came fluttering down,  
And plac'd me exactly in view,  
When whom should I meet in this charming retreat,  
This corner of calmness but you.

Delighted to find you in honour and ease,  
I felt no more sorrow and pain,  
And the wind coming fair I ascended the breeze,  
And went back with my Castle again.

**CURIOUS INCIDENT.**

A gentleman of great respectability, informs us of a very singular event which happened a few days since in Haver County—on the plantation of a Mrs. Hawes, within a few miles of this City. A negro woman left her sucking child asleep in her cabin to bring water from a spring. On returning to the door of her humble dwelling, what was her astonishment and horror at seeing a black snake coiled around the neck of her infant, with its mouth applied to and apparently introduced into that of the child! Words are too faint to give an adequate idea of the feelings of the mother. With the wild shriek of horror, he rushed from the cabin, crying aloud for assistance, and flew in the presence of her mistress. There was not a man near them. They returned with the utmost precipitation to the cabin, whence they saw the snake departing, who gliding through the weeds effected his escape. On examining the poor infant, it was found dead.—It is known that black snakes are fond of milk, and that to satiate their appetite, they will sometimes twine themselves around the legs of the infant, in order to suck its teats.—It is supposed, that allured by the smell of the milk in the mouth of the child, the snake coiled around its neck, and applied his own mouth to that of the infant. Its gripe is known to be very strong—and by this as well as by introducing its head into the mouth, completely strangled the baby. It had no marks of a bite about it.—Few modes of death can be conceived more horrible than this.

A boy is now exhibiting in Philadelphia, who is described as four years and two months old, measure in height three feet two inches: three feet around the body, 19 inches a-

round the thigh, and twelve and a half around the calf of his leg. He weighs about 112 pounds—is active in his movements, and very intelligent.

A Mr. H— of England, has discovered a new mode of distillation from unmalted barley, which is illegal by the excise laws; he purposes bringing his excellent invention to America.

Virg. Pat.

**BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE U. STATES.**

**WHEREAS**, By an act of Congress passed on the 17th of February, 1818, entitled "an act making provision for the establishment of additional Land Offices in the Territory of Missouri," the President of the United States is authorized to direct the public lands which have been surveyed in the said territory, to be offered for sale: Therefore, I, JAMES MONROE, President of the United States, do hereby declare and make known, that all public sales for the disposal (agreeably to law) of certain lands in the territory of Missouri, shall be held as follows, viz: At St. Louis, in the said territory, on the first Monday in August, October, December, February and April next, and three weeks after each of the said days, for the sale of lands in the land district of St. Louis. Thirty townships shall be offered at each sale, commencing with the most eastern ranges west of the fifth principal meridian line, and proceeding westerly.

At the Seat of Justice for Howard County, in the said Territory, on the first Monday in September and November next, and three weeks after each of the said days, for the sale of lands in the land district of Howard County. Thirty townships shall be offered at each sale; The first to be in a square form, and to include the seat of justice of the said county, as nearly in the centre as the situation of the surveys will admit, and the second immediately east of the first, and in the same form; excepting from sale in each district, the lands which have been or may be reserved by law for other purposes.

Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the thirtieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

JAMES MONROE.

By the President,  
JOSIAH MEIGS,  
Commissioner of the General Land Office.  
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**BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE U. STATES.**

**WHEREAS** by an act of Congress passed on the 3d March 1815, entitled "An act to provide for the ascertaining and surveying of the boundary lines fixed by the treaty with the Creek Indians and for other purposes, the President of the United States is authorized to cause the lands acquired by the said treaty to be offered for sale when surveyed; and whereas part of the said lands have been surveyed:

Therefore, I, James Monroe, President of the United States, do hereby declare and make known, that public sales for the disposal of certain lands south of the Tennessee river and in the district of Madison county, shall be held at Huntsville in said county in Alabama territory, viz:

On the first Monday in July next, for the sale of the lands in ranges 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. On the first Monday in September next for the lands in ranges 6, 7, 8, 9, and on the first Monday in November next for the lands in ranges 10, 11, 12, 13, 14; excepting such lands as are or shall be reserved according to law, for the support of schools and for other purposes. Each sale shall continue open for two weeks, and no longer, shall commence with the section, township and range of the lowest number, and proceed in regular numerical order.

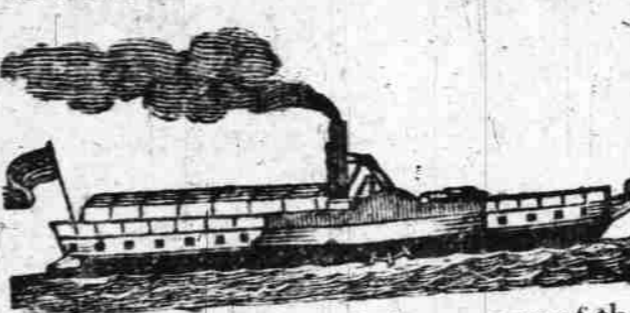
Given under my hand, at the city of Washington, this 31st day of March, 1818.

JAMES MONROE.

By the President,  
JOSIAH MEIGS,  
Commissioner of the Gen'l. Land Office.  
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**WANTED.**  
At this Office, an Apprentice to the Printing business.

**Steam Boat Notice.**



THE anxiety which the owners of the NORFOLK felt to afford every facility and convenience to travellers, induced them to attempt to run the Boat four times a week between Newbern and Elizabeth City; but on trial, they find, that although the thing is possible, it would be attended with uncertainty, and occasional disappointment. They have therefore concluded to alter the run of the NORFOLK as follows:

Leave Newbern every Thursday morning, and arrive at Elizabeth on Friday; leave Elizabeth City every Saturday evening, and arrive at Newbern on Monday morning. STAGES at each end of the line will run to correspond with the arrival of the Boat.

This regulation, it is expected, will prevent any delay or disappointment in future, and travellers are requested to make their arrangements accordingly.

The fare of Passengers will be \$ 15. Children and Servants half price. There are good accommodations for Horses, which will be carried at the moderate charge of \$ 7 50 each.

The public may be assured, that every attention will be paid to their comfort and accommodation.

Dan'l W. Crocker.

Newbern, May 9th, 1818.—1f.  
The Printers of the Evening Post in New-York, the Carolina Observer in Fayetteville, the Courier and Times in Charleston, the Herald in Augusta, and the Museum in Savannah, are requested to insert the above once a week for three weeks, in their respective papers, & transmit their accounts to this office for settlement.

**Steam Boat Stage Line,**

BETWEEN NEWBERN & FAYETTEVILLE.



THE Proprietor of this Line of Stages informs the public that it is now in full operation, and that no pains will be spared to render travelling on this route both expeditious and convenient.

The Stage will leave Newbern every Monday morning at 4 o'clock, and arrive at Duplin Court-House the same evening—leave Duplin C. H. Tuesday morning 4 o'clock, and arrive at Newbern same evening—leave Newbern Friday morning 4 o'clock, and arrive at Duplin C. H. same evening—leave Duplin C. H. Saturday morning 4 o'clock, and arrive at Newbern same evening.

A stage will leave Fayetteville on such days as to correspond with the arrival at and the departure of the above from Duplin Court-House: so that passengers will always arrive at Fayetteville on the next day after leaving Newbern.

JOSEPH BELL.

Newbern, June 6, 1818.

**Washington Hotel.**

THE subscriber, having considerably enlarged and improved his old establishment on Broad-street near the Market, informs the public that every exertion will be used to accommodate, satisfactorily, both travellers and constant boarders; and he flatters himself that he will be able to give general satisfaction.

He has, in addition to his former buildings, rented the convenient house opposite his Hotel, lately occupied by Mr. Wm. Dunn, where private families, or passengers in the Steam-Boat and Stages, can, if they prefer it, be furnished with accommodations separate from his other establishment.

JOSEPH BELL.

Newbern, June 8, 1818.

**TUN TIMBER.**

THE subscriber having become, with Mr. Marsaretti, the proprietor of the Steam Mill, will purchase any quantity of Tun Timber, delivered at the Mill on Lawson's Creek—for which the highest price in ready money will be given.

WILLIAM SHEPARD.

Newbern, April 22d 1818.

**FOR SALE.**

THE Subscriber offers for sale four likely young JACK ASSES, lately imported from the West Indies. Those who may be desirous of propagating the breed of Mules, will do well to embrace the present opportunity.

CHARLES MITCHELL.

Newbern, June 12th. 1818.—13,1f.

**FAYETTEVILLE MANSION HOTEL.**

THE subscriber having leased of Mr. Hugh Campbell his large Dwelling on Hay-street, it will be opened on Monday, the 25th inst. for PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION.

Gentlemen travelling with their families can have suits of apartments well furnished.

Separate rooms for travellers, with beds and furniture in best order—Tables supplied with the best meats and vegetables that can be procured, attended by active and obedient waiters—the Bar and House furnished with wines and liquors of the choicest qualities; Rooms specially appropriated and always in readiness for private parties or public assemblies; large stables, well supplied with grain and forage, attended by faithful hostlers; together with the pleasant situation of the establishment, and my experience in the business and assiduity to please, cannot fail of giving the most flattering satisfaction to the customers of the Hotel.

P. T. TABER.

Fayetteville, May 14, 1818—10 3m.

**NOTICE**

IS hereby given, that the copartnership of Hill & Chadwick is this day dissolved, by mutual consent; and that all persons having claims against the said firm, are requested to present them to James Chadwick for settlement, and those that are indebted to the firm, are requested to make immediate settlement with him, who is fully authorized to give discharge.

ERASMUS HILL,  
JAMES CHADWICK, jr.  
Swansboro' April 24, 1818.—71f

**NOTICE.**

THE subscriber offers for sale, his lands in the county of Onslow, containing about six hundred acres; part of which is situated on an island, the remainder on the main land. The soil is well calculated for the culture of Indian corn, wheat, and cotton. There is on the island a commodious dwelling house, very pleasantly situated, and well calculated for a large family.

The advantages of this situation are many. There is a channel round the island sufficient for vessels drawing 8 feet water; so that none but cross fences are necessary.—There is also an excellent site for a wind-mill; for the erection of which there is already collected and well seasoned, a sufficiency of timber of the best quality.

The only reason the present occupant has to sell, is, his wish to remove to the Western country.

The terms will be made known on application to the subscriber, on the premises.

Dempsey Jones.

June 13—4w13

**NOTICE.**

THE Subscriber respectfully informs the Public, that he intends keeping on hand at his Store on East Front Street, a constant supply of CORDIALS of all kinds, suitable for private Families or Retailers, which he will sell on the most reasonable terms.

OLIVER L. KELLEY.

Newbern, May 30, 1818.—11-1f.

**25 DOLLARS REWARD.**

RANAWAY from the Subscriber two months since, a Negro man named JOHN; he is about 27 years of age, 5 feet 5 or 6 inches high, of a dark complexion, has a lean face, round body, and is well made—speaks plain, can read tolerably well, and has a scar on one of his heels. He has been lurking about Vine Swamp, in this county, and about my own neighborhood—and has frequently been seen with a gun, and other weapons for defence. It is thought that he will endeavor to get to Portsmouth, in Virginia, where he was sold by Mr. H. Harbord, to Mr. Andrew Hurst of Duplin County N. Carolina.

The above reward will be given to any person who will apprehend said negro & secure him in any Jail so that I get him. Should any person be disposed to purchase him, as he runs, I will take six hundred dollars, and give a good title. He is an excellent ditcher, can hew, farm, or turn his hand to almost any thing. All masters of vessels, and others are forbidden from harbouring, employing, or carrying him away, under the penalty of the law.

FRANCIS GOODING.

Lenoir County, 25th April, 1818.—1f.

**FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD.**

RANAWAY from the subscriber, in Trenton, about the 1st of August last, a negro woman named SILVEY. She is about 30 years of age, about 5 feet, 6 or 7 inches high, well proportioned and of a black complexion. She was formerly owned by Mr. Solomon Collins of White Oak. The above reward will be given to any person that will deliver said negro to me, or secure her in any jail in this district, so that I get her again.

PETER ANDREWS.

June 13th.—131f

**50 DOLLARS REWARD.**

RANAWAY From the Subscriber, on Monday, 20th. of April, his negro man HARRY.

He is about five feet five or six inches high, very dark complexioned, and a stout well-made fellow—had on when he absconded, a home made suit of clothes, and carried with him two short coats, blue and grey. The said Fellow has been hired by Mr. George Lane of Craven County, for one or two years, and ranaway the whole or greater part of the time, he has a wife at Mr. Fonville's, about fourteen miles above Newbern, where it is probable he will be lurking and where he is generally known. The above reward will be given to any person that will apprehend said fellow, and secure him in either of the Jails of Newbern or Washington, so that I get him again.

All persons are cautioned not to harbour, employ, or carry him off, under penalty of the law.

JOHN BONNE.

Fairfield, near Washington, N. C.

April 23d. 1818.—618

**POST-OFFICE,**

NEWBERN, JUNE 6, 1818.

**THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS WILL CONTINUE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

The Northern Mail will arrive on Mondays and Fridays at 9, and be closed on the same days at 11 o'clock A. M.

The Southern and Western Mail, (via Raleigh) arrives every Monday at 11 A. M. and is closed the same day at 2 P. M.

The Wilmington Mail is under the same regulations as the Southern and Western.

Letters intended to be conveyed by Mail, should be placed in the Office fifteen minutes before the time prescribed for their departure—otherwise they are liable to remain until the next mail.

Letters are frequently placed in the Office to be sent to a sea-port, and thence by ship to some foreign place. The postage of such letters, for such distance as they are to be conveyed by post, must be paid at this office, otherwise they cannot be forwarded. June 13—1f13

**FOR SALE,**

A NUMBER OF COPPER STILLS.

Wanted to purchase. Old Copper, Pewter, and Lead, for which the highest prices will be given.

TH: M'LIN.

May 2.—1f.

**NOTICE.**

THE Subscriber gives Notice to those indebted to the Estate of Benners Vail dec'd. that the situation of the Estate renders it necessary that the debts due to it should be collected as speedily as possible. The indulgence already given justifies the subscriber in now giving NOTICE, that all debts due him as Adm'r. of Benners Vail, and not settled within one month from this date, will be placed in the hands of officers for collection.

MICH'L. H. LENTE, Adm'r.

July 8th, 1818.—171f.

**NOTICE.**

THE Copartnership heretofore existing under the firm of A. D. Stoddard & Co. is this day by mutual consent dissolved. All persons having demands against said firm are requested to present them for settlement, and all those indebted to said firm are requested to make immediate payment to them.

A. D. STODDARD.

OLIVER C. TILESTON.

Newbern, July 11th. 1818.—171f.