

"Ours are the plans of fair, delightful peace,
Unwarp'd by party rage to live like brothers."

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THE LOST CHILD.

Public feeling in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Arkansas, has been prodigiously excited, during the past winter, by a mysterious and inexplicable catastrophe, which has excited in us a more harrowing interest, than any tale of fictitious distress. The following circumstances were gleaned from the journals, the accounts of different persons, who conversed with the parties, and are corrected from a long conversation with the sheriff at Natchez, who was obliged by his official duties to see much of the father and mother of the lost child, and to attend the trial of the person, arrested on suspicion of being concerned in stealing the child, and under whose care and inspection he fell, while in prison. That gentleman was obliging enough to communicate to the writer many details of great interest, which are necessarily precluded in the brevity of this narration.

Something more than a year ago, the only child of a Mr. Clark, of Hempstead county, territory of Arkansas, a fine boy of 4 years, disappeared from the scene of his morning play, near the house of his parents, and could no where be found. A little negro boy had been playing with him, and related, that two men on horseback came upon them, and that one of them alighted, took up the child, and carried him off. The parents were sober, respectable, and comparatively affluent. It is a country of dark forests, and immense prairies; and wolves, bears, and panthers, are common in the woods, and different tribes of Indians hunt in the vicinity. The affection of these parents for their only child was such, as would be naturally expected, and no effort of the imagination is necessary to conceive the anxiety and agony of their suspense. The honest-hearted people about them, though not given to eloquent descriptions of their feelings in such cases, expressed a more unquestionable sympathy by turning out *en masse*, and scouring the forests, prairies, and bayous, in every direction. The agonizing father followed a man, who preceded him a day or two, as was reported, carrying a child with him on horseback. After a pursuit of three hundred miles, he ascertained, in the bitterness of disappointment, that the child was not his. Every exertion, made to find the child, was to no purpose. The father rode in different directions thousands of miles. Advertisements, promises of ample reward, the sustained search of hundreds of people, were alike unavailing, to furnish a vestige of the child, or the slightest clue to stimulate to hope, and further exertion. After a search of months, the feelings of the parents, from the natural effect of time and disappointment, settled down to the calm of resignation and despair, and they mourned for their child, as dead. It will be easy to conceive, that it was not the tranquil mourning of parents, who have seen their child in its sinless innocence buried under the clouds of the valley. The agony of suspense, the feverish efforts of imagination, excited to activity, by the indescribable tenderness of parental affection, and still fashioning new and more horrible catastrophes, especially at particular periods of the day, or the evening—from this they could only be delivered, by finding their child, or becoming acquainted with his doom. They had not even the sad satisfaction of the patriarch finding the bloody clothes of their lost child, by which, suspense might be terminated in the conviction, that an evil beast had devoured him.

Some time last winter, the father received a letter, mailed at the Natchez post office, informing him, that if he would enclose fifty dollars in a letter to the writer, and would send the mother of the child, unaccompanied by any other person, to a certain house in Arkansas, which he designated, with two hundred dollars more, the writer engaged, that a certain woman in the designated house should deliver up the child to its mother. This letter was written in a gentlemanly hand, and signed "Thomas Tutty."

The plan of the distracted parents was settled by advice of many respectable people in Louisiana, who entered warmly into their feelings. A letter stating all the circumstances of the case, was written to the post Master at Natchez. Another, agreeable to all the requirements of Tutty, and enclosing a bank note of fifty dollars, was addressed to him. In the letter to the post master, he was directed to watch for the man, who should call for the other letter, and have him apprehended. At the proper time, a man of gentlemanly appearance and manners, with the dialect of an Irishman, enquired for the letter. The

post master, by design, made difficulty and delay in making change, and detained the man, until an officer was procured, and he was then apprehended. He was found to be a man, who had kept a school for some time in the vicinity of Natchez, whose singular and cautious habits had already excited suspicion. He proved himself shrewd, sulky, and pertinaciously obstinate in his purpose, to confess nothing, and to throw the whole burden of proof on the magistrate, before whom he was tried. He would not admit the identity of the hand-writing of the letter with his own, and he denied, that his name was Thomas Tutty. He was charged with having fabricated the story, that he knew where the child was, and would cause it to be delivered to its parents, merely with the base purpose of extorting money from the affection of the parents. He continued to affirm, that he knew where the child was, & proved, that he was acquainted with the long way between Natchez and the residence of Mr. Clark, by answering with the utmost promptness and intelligence, questions about the numerous bayous, swamps, and passes, in the distance, put with a particularity, intended purposely to perplex him. On the suspicious fact of having enquired for the letter, directed to Thomas Tutty, he was committed to prison. The parents, who repaired to Natchez, and various people, who took a deep interest in this strange, and terrible affair, exhausted their ingenuity to no purpose in efforts, to get something out of the prisoner, that might furnish a clue, by which to find the child. He told the father, that in a certain place, where it was supposed he would pass in search of the child, he would find the clothes, which the child wore when it disappeared, and bones having the appearance of those of a child of his years, that had been devoured by beasts. But he assured him, that the bones were not those of his child, but of an animal, placed there to produce that impression. Such an investigation was found to be the fact. Yet strange to tell, nothing could extort from the man the slightest information, that had any other tendency, than still more to excite the imagination, and harrow up the feelings of the parents.

Meanwhile a number of the respectable people of Natchez, stimulated by their intense interest, the warm blood of the south, and their impatient fondness for summary justice, and thinking probably, that a little "hiding" could do the Irishman no possible harm, and might operate upon his imperturbable closeness, the benefit of a course of gymnastics, took him by night from the prison, and gave him a pretty severe drubbing, intimating between the intervals of discipline, that whenever he found the application transcending the bounds of health and pleasant feeling, any useful information, touching the child, would save them the trouble of carrying the operation any farther. The Irishman shrugged, & seemed for a long time disposed to persevere in his customary closeness, and receive all the benefits of the prescription. But at a point, where the thing was becoming evidently very unpleasant, he seemed to relent, and said, that if they would send to a certain house between forty and fifty miles from Natchez, in Mississippi, the people there would tell them, where they might find the child. The sheriff, who stated, that he had disapproved of these proceedings, and was, moreover, ill at the time, was no sooner apprized of this information, than he started at midnight for the designated house. When he arrived there, he found that the people were of good character, and perceived in a moment, that he was on a false scent, and that the prisoner had given this information only to get rid of correction.

The parents and the people, having exhausted every effort upon the pertinacious silence, and unshrinking obstinacy of the prisoner to no purpose, became fully impressed, that he had, indeed, been concerned in the stealing of the child, but that he no longer knew any thing about its present condition, and had been induced to what he had done, merely to obtain money, by trifling with parental anxiety and affection. They consented to the enlargement of the prisoner on a *nolle prosequi*, on condition, that he should return with the parents, in the hope, that threats, or promised rewards, or a returning sense of justice and humanity, when he should arrive where the clothes of the child were laid, might yet induce him, to put them on a clue to finding him.

He was accordingly enlarged, and crossed the Mississippi in the same ferry boat with the parents, on their route towards home. It had been purposely intimated to him, that unless he would frankly communicate to Mr. Clark on the journey, all that he knew about the child, as soon as they should have travelled beyond the settlements, he would be put to death. Having advanced beyond the settlement of Concordia, he asked Mr. Clark, how long he intended to allow him to live? The reply was, if he persisted in withholding information about the child, perhaps 36 hours. Mr. Clark carried a pistol in his belt. The Irishman rushed upon him, seized the pistol, and snapped it at his breast. Altho' he had primed and loaded himself, it fortunately missed fire. Failing in his purpose, the Irishman broke a

way and made for a bayou, to which they were approaching. He plunged in, disappeared, and was drowned, and thus extinguished the only visible hope of a clue to unravel this mysterious and tragical affair. This crime of fiends, child stealing, has been often threatened in that region, which furnishes such facilities for perpetrating it, as a mean of diabolical revenge. An indescribable interest yet exists there in regard to the elucidation of this mystery. Parents, watch your children. Be careful of the presence of suspicious villains, who might in this way sting you to death. The happiest feeling, which a good mother can have on the earth, is, when she sees her children safely and sweetly sleeping in their own beds, under the united protection of innocence and parents, good angels and God.

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COHEN'S OFFICE—114, Market-street, }
Baltimore, May 7th, 1827.
Under authority of the Act of the General Assembly (Dec. session, 1826,) we herewith present to the public, the FIRST CLASS of the Maryland

Literature Lottery.
The whole to be drawn in ONE DAY, in the city of BALTIMORE, and under the superintendence of the Commissioners appointed by the Governor and Council.

HIGHEST PRIZE.	
20,000 DOLLARS.	
BRILLIANT SCHEME.	
1 Prize of \$20,000 is \$20,000	
10 10,000 10,000	
10 2,000 20,000	
10 1,000 10,000	
10 500 5,000	
20 200 4,000	
20 100 2,000	
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9662 prizes, amt'g to 114,000 dols.
20338—only 30,000 Tickets.
The CASH for the whole of the Prizes can be had, as usual at COHEN'S OFFICE, the moment they are drawn.

MODE OF DRAWING.—The numbers will be put in one wheel as usual, and in the other will be put the prizes above the denomination of Five Dollars, and the drawing to progress in the usual manner. The 9,000 prizes of Four Dollars to be awarded to the tickets, the numbers of which end with the terminating figure of either of the three first drawn numbers of different terminations. The Five Dollar Prizes to be awarded to the tickets having the two last figures corresponding with the two last figures of such number of the next drawn of different termination. This mode will permit the whole lottery to be completed in one drawing, and a ticket drawing a superior prize will not be restricted from drawing an inferior one also.

Whole tickets, \$5. Shares in proportion.
Orders from any part of the United States, either by mail (post paid) or private conveyance, enclosing the Cash or Prize tickets in any of the Lotteries, will meet the same prompt and punctual attention as if on personal application.
Address to
J. I. COHEN, JR. & BROTHERS, Baltimore
Baltimore, May 7th, 1827.

BRETHREN OF THE BAPTIST DENOMINATION.—Feeling the deepest interest for the prosperity of Zion and the salvation of souls, we believe it important that something should be done, more than is now in existence, to provoke each other to love and to good works, to consolidate us together as a body, and to excite the public to consult the things which belong to their present peace and future felicity. We therefore believe that if there were a meeting established, by the name of the Union Meeting of the Baptist Denomination of North Carolina, to meet annually, from place to place, and to continue four or five days; at which the preachers of this State would generally attend and continue preaching, praying, &c. and consulting each other on the state of Zion, communicating their views and feelings freely; with the blessing of Heaven it would effect the object designed.

Feeling that we are actuated by the purest motives, and that we have the spirit of God approving such measures, and that it is in compliance with the injunction of the Apostle, that we should not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, and that it will meet with the general approbation of our denomination, we have appointed the first union meeting to be held in Raleigh, commencing on Thursday night before the fifth Sabbath in July next, and continue till Monday following.
We do hope that the preachers of this State will take a deep interest in this meeting; and feel it their duty to attend; and those who can visit us from neighbouring States, are respectfully invited.
By order of the meeting.

State Bank of North Carolina.
Raleigh, May 24, 1827.
RESOLVED, That a Dividend of Three and a half per cent. on the Capital Stock of this Bank, be, and the same is hereby declared for the last half year, payable at Raleigh, on the first Monday in June next, and at the several Branches fifteen days thereafter.
W. H. HAYWOOD, Cashier.

The Subscriber, who has presided several years in public Seminaries, is desirous to superintend an Academy in some healthy part of North-Carolina. Satisfactory testimonials of character and competency can be produced. Letters (post paid) directed to Raleigh, will be promptly noticed.
Feb. 15, 1827. THO. L. RAGSDALE.
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OFFICE OF THE AMERICAN FARMER, Baltimore, Friday, Feb. 23, 1827.
WE wish that every friend of this Journal should understand, and that they would have the kindness to make it known, that to any one who will procure four subscribers, and remit on their account \$20, we will send a fifth copy of the American Farmer without charge—or, any one who will procure five subscribers, will be allowed to retain \$5, on his remitting the remaining \$20. We beg also to repeat, that all which is necessary to be done by any one, wishing to subscribe, is to enclose a five dollar note by mail, at the risk of, and addressed to The Editor of the American Farmer, Baltimore—and whether the money he received or not, the paper will be forwarded immediately, and the actual receipt of each number of the volume will be guaranteed by the Editor.

The American Farmer is published weekly, by J. S. Skinner, Postmaster of Baltimore, printed on fine paper, the size of ordinary newspapers, folded so as to make 8 pages; about one-half or four pages, devoted to practical Agriculture; the remainder to Internal Improvements, Rural and Domestic Economy; selections for housekeepers and female readers, and Natural History and Rural Sports. A minute index and title page to the whole volume is published, and forwarded with the last number of each vol. A single number will be sent to any one who may desire to see a specimen of the publication.

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6w. J. S. SKINNER.

University of North-Carolina.

THE Public Anniversary Examination of the Students of the University of North-Carolina will be held at Chapel Hill, on Monday, the 18th day of June next, and continue from day to day until Thursday the 28th, which last mentioned day is appointed for the Annual Commencement of the College.

The following Trustees constitute the Committee of Visitation for A. D. 1827:
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All other of the Trustees who may attend will be considered, under an Ordinance of the Board, Members of this Committee.
On Tuesday, the 26th day of June, (two days before Commencement,) a special meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held at the University, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Visitors, upon sundry Resolutions heretofore referred to them, and of considering other subjects of importance to the Institution.

To obtain a general concert of opinion in these matters, and to superintend with increased vigilance and care, the Anniversary Examinations and Exercises of the young gentlemen of the College, a punctual attendance of the Committee, and of the Trustees generally, is solicited and expected.
By order of the Board,
CHAS. MANLY,
Sec. Trustees University N. C.
Raleigh, 15th May, 1827. 64-

UNION CANAL LOTTERY, OF PENNSYLVANIA, Twenty-Ninth Class.

To be drawn on Wednesday, the 16th day of June, 1827.

SCHEME.	
1 Prize of \$16,000 is \$16,000	
1 5,000 5,000	
1 4,000 4,000	
1 3,000 3,000	
1 2,500 2,500	
1 2,000 2,000	
1 1,750 1,750	
1 1,500 1,500	
1 1,275 1,275	
5 1,000 5,000	
10 500 5,000	
20 200 4,000	
40 100 4,000	
102 50 5,100	
204 20 4,080	
1530 10 15,300	
11475 5 57,375	

15,395 Prizes, \$196,880
20,825 Blanks, — \$4,220 Tickets.
Whole Tickets \$5. Half \$2 50.
Quarter \$1 25.

Tickets or Shares can be had in the greatest variety at the MANAGER'S OFFICES, Raleigh or Fayetteville.
Orders enclosing Cash or Prizes, (post paid) will receive prompt attention, if addressed to
YATES & MINTYRE,
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Tickets in all Northern Lotteries of respectability can be had at the Northern prices at either of our offices for Georgia, North or South Carolina Bank Notes, and the Prizes of those lotteries always received in payment for tickets, or the cash paid for them on demand.
Recently Published,
AND for sale, by J. Gales & Son, Raleigh.
A Revision of the Laws of the State of North Carolina, passed from 1821 to 1825, both years inclusive, with Marginal Notes and References. Price \$2.
April 7.

Internal Improvements.
THE Board for Internal Improvements will meet at Raleigh, on Saturday the 30th inst., of which all persons having business with the Board will take notice.
J. GALES, Sec'y.
June 6, 1827.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF N. C.
Raleigh, June 6, 1827.
By His Exc'y H. G. Burton, Governor, &c.
To all whom it may concern.

PERSONS desirous of purchasing the interest in the following Resolution of the last General Assembly, are requested to forward their proposals to this Office, to be disposed of as therein mentioned.

"Whereas the State possesses a reversionary interest in the lands allotted to the Tuscarora Indians, by an act of the General Assembly, passed at Newbern on the fifteenth of October, one thousand seven hundred and forty-eight; and whereas, by a sale of the said reversion, a considerable sum may be raised and applied to an increase of the Literary fund:

"Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor, be, and he is hereby requested, to receive proposals from the present proprietors, or others, for the said reversion or fee, and make report thereof to the General Assembly at the next annual meeting.

Resolved further, That Simmons J. Baker, of the county of Martin, William R. Smith, of the county of Halifax, and William Britton, of the county of Bertie, be appointed Commissioners, to go upon the lands, and to ascertain the quantity and quality of each tract, with its fee simple value per acre, at the time of examination; and report to the next General Assembly; and that the expenses attending the execution of said commission be paid by the proprietors of said land."

H. G. BURTON,
By the Governor,
Jno. K. Campbell, P. Sec'y.

Notice.

WHAT at the County Court of Wake, held in Raleigh, on the third Monday of this instant the subscriber qualified as Executor of the late will and testament of Josiah Dilliard, deceased, late of the City of Raleigh, and therefore request, all persons indebted to the Estate of said deceased to come forward and pay the same—and all those having claims against said Estate, are hereby requested to present them properly authenticated within the time prescribed by law for payment, otherwise this notice will be held in bar of a recovery.
MERRITT DILLIARD, Ex'r.
Wake county, May 25. 70 4v

THE EAGLE HOTEL, IN THE CITY OF RALEIGH.

Is again offered for Sale.
State of North-Carolina,
Wake County,
Court of Equity—Spring Term, 1827.
The Creditors of William Ruffin, & others, against
Thomas Ruffin, Thomas Ritchie & others.

THE Decree of Sale heretofore made in this cause, having been renewed at the late term of the Court of Equity for Wake County, we the Commissioners shall proceed to sell on the premises, in the City of Raleigh, on Tuesday the 24th of July, that well known and very valuable real estate, called the Eagle Hotel, belonging to the late William Ruffin. This property has been so recently in market and particularly described, that the Commissioners deem it unnecessary to say more at present than that it is advantageously situated, well improved, and possessed of many advantages over any other establishment of the kind in the Southern Country. They invite the attention of strangers, who can see and judge for themselves.

Terms of sale.—One, two and three years instalments, secured by bonds, to carry interest from the day of sale, will be required.
There are still unsold 30 or 40 Beds and Furniture, belonging to the Establishment, which will be offered for sale immediately after the sale of the Hotel.

H. M. MILLER,
W. H. HAYWOOD, Junr.
A. G. RUFFIN,
Raleigh, N. C. June 6. 71 1s

PRIVATE SCHOOL.

MRS. LUMSDEN will open a School for young Children at her School Room on Fayetteville street on Monday the 25th instant.
Raleigh, June 6. 71

CAUTION.

THE undersigned having given their notes or hand to William Howard, of Guilford county North-Carolina, Assignee of Sidney Porter, Assignee of Moses Mendenhall, one for fifty dollars payable the 1st of January, 1828, and one for thirty dollars, payable six months after the 1st of January, 1828. The public are cautioned against trading for said notes or either of them, as they were given without any valuable consideration therefor. They were given to secure the payment of the price of a certain Patent High to a newly invented Grist Mill, claimed by the said Mendenhall, and represented by Howard as being his (Mendenhall's) invention, when in fact it appears that the invention was that of another man, though the fact was then unknown to us. The undersigned are not certain whether the notes were made payable to William Howard alone, or to Wm. Howard & J. J. M. Lindsey, Assignees of Sidney Porter.
Archibald M'Eachin,
John M'Queen,
May 19. 67 2t

WANTED.

A RESPECTABLE Female to take charge of the School under the patronage and superintendance of the Raleigh Female Benevolent Society.
It will be expected that whoever undertakes to teach the Children, shall be competent to instruct them in the rudiments of the English language, the common rules of Arithmetic, Writing, Sewing and Knitting. Further, it will be expected that the teacher will take charge of bed and board of such children as the Society may, or may adopt, to be supported, clothed and educated at the expense of the Society.
A small dwelling attached to the School Room will be furnished to the person who undertakes the services abovementioned.
Application may be made to the President or Managers, or to the Book Store of J. Gales and Son.
May 14.