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### ADVERTISEMENTS

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From the Cherary S. C. Spectator. The Court of Common Pleas held is fall term at Marlborough last week; his Honor Judge Wattes presiding.

The trial of B. Wiggins et al. vs. the Executors of Mason Lee, which commenc ed on Tuesday and closed at 2 o'clock, P. M. on Saturday, was more than ordinarily interesting, as well from the great legal a biliv called forth in the management of it; and redjous as a protracted trial of this de seription usually is, there is a peculiarity spect in this case which rendered it inting throughout. The testimony adducton both sides was unusally lengthy and multifarious ; presented very extraordinary features, and disclosed a scene of human eccentricity very rarely equalled.

It was an appeal from the court of or. divary of Marlborough district, to reverse the decision of that court establishing the will of the deceased. The Appellants the validity of the will. The testator made an were heirs at law of Mason Lee, who died injudicious bequest we have no coubt; for he six years since. leaving an estate of about gave his property, where he never will be thanksixty thousand dollars to the states of South- ed for it, and where it will do no perceptible Carolina and Tennessec.

technicality of the law, the heirs contended choosing an executor, he could not individuate, offered in this market. that he was of non 'disposing mind, memory and understanding; and though they fail ed to convince a very intelligent jury of tory of mental singularities, and bodily privations on the part of Lee, as ever tell short of actual hallucination. A full re port of the evidence in this case would afford first rate materials for a modern Ro mance, and if Cooper could have got hold of it early enough, he would have thrown by his Leather Stocking, and his Trapper.

settled afterwards in Georgia, from which state he was forced to flee, in consequence of having killed one of his female slaves, and seated himself finally upon a planta tion upon Pee Dee. It was to this portion of his life, that the testimony was principally confined, & never was a more miser ly one exhibited, from Elwes down to himself, including every possible variety of human oddity and human whim. He lived in a habitation abundantly worse than any of those occupied by his negroes, eat his scanty meals of hoe cake and bacon of magnificence consisting of one spoon. was well enough in its way but had is handle cut in two in the midd e and rivetted with icon, in order, as Lee sagacious ine extreme, nor would he suffer it to be otherwise, a line was drawn across a por tion of it beyond which no human being comforts; consisting of the very coarsest materials, cut and made by himself in a fashion that set all resemblance to any thing on earth or in the waters under it at absolute defiance. His hat crown was perforated with holes on every side, in order as he expressed it, that if the devil should enter his head on the one side, he might have a passage out at the other. this head was kept close shaved so as to make his wits glib' he said. His bed was in a hollow gum log, and into this very primitive lodging would be crawl, and doze away his time by day, and spend the night in fighting devils and hobgoblins, adversaries that were constantly about him; to meet which upon fair terms a neighboring blacksmith run up a pretty respectable bilt in fabricating swords, made to different patterns furnished by Lee himself; some

gination. One in particular was five in-

ered, or liable to the visitations of that

fearful species of the glamour, and seem-

were goomered (we are not certain that

we get the word right, but we so under-

stood its pronunciation in court) he had

twelve sound teeth drawn at one time .-

The Devil, or the Wigginses, which he

we ever heard or read of since the celebrated Caliban; and he was as Stepheno says, a ' most delicate monster too, and a lover of the same beverage, ting occasionally 'very particularly Funk.' We ought to have mentioned how er, in enumerating his peculiarities, what we consider the worst feature in the zig zags of his character He entertained the most outing publication; those of greater length in the rageous aversion to women, and actually me proportion .... Communications thankfully hired a prime female slave at twelve and a half cents a year, as a proof of his hatred to the sex! And still Mason Lee was inconsistent even in an old bachelor's wonted acerbity to womanhood. The vinegar of his disposition turned to treacle at least in one instance; for Mason Lee was the reputed father of twin sons; one of whom he acknowledged, but disclaimed all paternity for the other! The son whom he recognised, was in court and testified in the case. He was a respectable and rather interesting young man, and is said very much to resemble his reputed father, who by the way we forgot to mention was during his younger days said to be a respectable man, and in no way different from other young men of his class and condition.

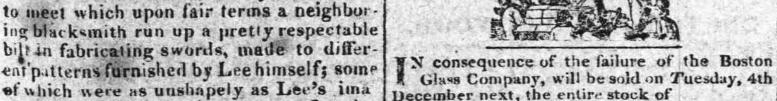
Notwithstanding all these peculiarities of Mason Lee, he was proved so far as it regards the accumulation of property, and upon all other points, saving the single point of faith in witch | own inspection in Newbern and in Ruleigh, con craft and other supernatural agencies, a shrewd sisting of and sensible man, and well capacitated not only to acquire property but to dispose of it, and the jury (in our opinion most correctly) established good; and in the case of Tennessee in particular there was no assignable motive for the penefac-The ground taken by the appellants for tion, since he had never resided in the state, but was obliged to name ' the best Baptist minister in the state.' But the enlightened policy of our laws gives every man the control of his own property, the absolute dominion over his own esthis fact, they exhibited as complete a his- tate, so long as his mind is capable of a sune volition on that point, and it is too much for a court and jury to usurp any man's volition --- to make a will for him, every time that he happens to live and die under the " morbid delusion of a belief in witchcraft, ghosts, or ' second sight;' for in this way, Cotton Mather, Dr Joanson, and half the literati of old Scotia' would have been deemed non compos mentis, and their wills been set aside because they believed in the Massachusetts witches, the Cocklane ghost or the Caledoas characters quite too common place for nian superstition of an antedated vision. We do not believe in these overstrained legal inter-Lee was originally from North Carolina, positions, between a man and his own undoubted rights of ownership. If he is lunatic or idiotic, let the law take him into guardianship; and do as it pleases with his property, or if it has neglected to do that, let it set aside every insune disposition of it; but never let us have insanity by construction, lunacy by implication-we mean Louisians. lunacy as matter of expediency Let no jury in-

calls the 'common intendment' of law. The counsel employed in this case was singularly able and efficient, and the examination was conducted with great adroitness. Owing to the unexpected pretraction of the trial, but three of the gentlemen addressed the jury. Col. blandupon a box, which served it seems the double | ing in stating the case, occupied we should think | purpose of holding the pot to cook it in, more than two hours. We have never witnessed and a table from which they eat it; his a more lucid, forcible and every way able opentable furniture was in about the same style ing of a case to a jury; and it fully sustained all our pre-conceived estimates of that gentleman. The argument of Mr. Preston went beyond one fork (a crotched stick) and one knife, them, and for more than three hours he kept which latter utensil also did duty in his us chained down to his eloquence. This speech pocket, as tobacco cutter, &c. the spoon was an intellectual banquet-we protest against the idea that we were charmed with the mere glitter of such a speech : it is no such thingit was as full of sound and healty argument, as it was of brilliant figure, and fine thought-it was Iv observed, to keep off witches. His room in short the poetry of forensic logic, and we could and every thing about him was filthy in select passages of Mr. P's speech, which Curran or Erskine, would have been willing to recognise as their own.

Mr. Harper closed this case for the appellants, and closed it like himself. We do not know how was suffered to pass. His wardrobe was a higher compliment could be paid him, were in exact keeping with his other sublunary | we disposed to pay him one; which we are not. We can only say simply, that all was said that could be said, by the distinguished gentleman, and as well said, as could be expected from a gentleman standing 'at the head of the South

An appeal was taken from the decision of the court and jury, to the Constitutional Court. Counsel for the Appellants, Blanding, Harper and Ervin-for the Appellees, Evans and Pres-

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randum Books. Mathematical Instruments, and Paint Boxes, Glass, Iron, Pewter, Wedgewood, and Cork

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Court Plaister, &c. &c. &c.

#### Raleigh, Sept. 26, 1827. Reports of the Supreme Court.

The Reports of Cases decided at the last term of the Supreme Court, will be published in a few days. No attention will be paid to the old Subscription List. Those gentlemen who wish the number will enclose post paid, to J. WETMORE, Raleigh, one dollar and fifty cents, upon the receipt of which it will be sent to them by return

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JAMES LITCHFORD. ETURNS his sincere thanks to his friends 11 the public generally, for the lineral patronage he has heretofore received, and begs leave to inform them that he still continues to carry on the Whilst others have carefully collected and re Tailoring Busmess at his old stand one door above Mr. Richard Smith's Store and directly opposite the Post-office, where he has in his employment ledge of our fathers to perish with them. some first rate workmen; and gentlemen wish- others have been straining every nerve in perfine Cloths, and more are claily expected. He From what cause has arisen the vast superior has at present some Ready Made Clothing, which of the North over the South in all which to his punctual cu-tomers,

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business, from 12 to 15 years of age.

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## Oxford Academies.

THE examination of the Male Academy be gins on Monday the 12th of Nov. and the The simple construction of this Mill, its great | Report will be read Wednesday morning; imwater power can be applied, have given it the The attendance of all interested is respectfully

> The winter session of these Institutions opens SAMUEL FOREHEAD, on Monday 7th Jan'y. 1828. The Male under the care of J. D. Johnson as heretofore. The fe- contents. Advertisements of Agricultural World male under that of the Rev. Jos. Labare.

A. BURTON, Sec'ry The Edenton Gazette, Norfolk Herald, and Petersburgh Intelligencer, will publish the above three weeks and forward their accounts, to the Post Master of this place. Oxford, Oct. 20th, 1827.

## Petersburg, Virginia. GREAT BARGAINS!

NHE Partnership now existing under the firm on the first day of January next, in order to faci- ject. litate the closing of the business, their present stock of Stople and Fancy Dry Goods, of which | This work will be printed on good paper, and upwards of One Hundred and Ffty packages have in the octavo size; at Five Dollars per annubeen received from Auction Sales within the last payable on the delivery of the first of few weeks, and which also ether is worth more Dollars, if paid in two montes after. than SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS, will be Blank Books in great variety, comprizing Led- offered in many instances much below PRIME wary next and on the first of every month sucgers, Journals, Day, Record and M mo. COST, and in all a great deal cheaper than they can be procured elsewhere. We are aware that it has been said advertisements of this kind are frequently sent forth to deceive the public, such is not the case in the present instance, we beg leave to state positively and distinctly that our object in the sacrificing the usual profits on this Stock of Goods, is for the purpose of closing this concern In an action of slander between Henry Gorwithin the limited time. The goods will be ar man and Benj. D. Ronnsaviile, the words spok ranged in the course of this day, and offered on the above terms; our old friends and customers whose favors we have so long experienced, are particularly invited to reap the advantages attend ant on such a sale ... it will afford us pleasure to charge against the said Gorman-nor do 1 b see them partaking of the general benefit. Mer- lieve he was ever guilty of the said crime. Witchants and Planters will find the present an op- ness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this portunity of procuring cheap Goods seldom to 3rd. October, 1827. be met with.

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October 26. To Journeymen Shoemakers.

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### PROSPECTUS

# OUTHERN AGRICULTURALIST.

THE want of a Work to which our Planters

a could refer for information, relative to the Agriculture of the Southern section has long been felt, and has long been to as a necessary evil, for which no reu at hand. With a sufficiency of talents enterprise, to conduct experiments, to dr ferences, and to detail them, vet have sented to the world, the speciacle of a minded and ent rprising agracultural com destitute of original agricultural works, & ing solely on oral communications, or Foreig lications, for all our knowledge on these subj corded the experience of their practical 1 ers, we have permitted the hard-earned ing expedition, can have a suit of clothes made cause, we have been mere lookers on. Whilst in one day, not inferior to any work done in the they have advanced rapidly, we have been sixstate. He has also on hand an assortment of Su- tionary, or at best have progressed but all will he will sell cheap for cash, or on a short credit, to Agriculture ! Has it been that they alone have turned their attention to the subject, that they alone have made experiments and profited b them? Not so -The Planters of the South have been as enterprising and as active in their researches, as those of the North. But whilst the discoveries made by the latter are brought immedistely into notice, by their periodical publications, those of the former are known but to lew; for want of a proper vehicle of communication. Hence it has been that their improvements have been more rapid than ours, and that we are at this day so deficient in this branch of knowledge. Planters to come forwar and assist in the pretime such information as may be of service to the community. This work will be divided into three parts. Part 1st, Original -Part 2d, Selections

and Reviews-Part ad, agricultural Information, Part 1st will contain all Original Essays on Agriculture, Horticul ure, Bota y, Rural Atlairs, and D in stic Economy. Not only the present staple articles of the South will be att inled to. but also the introduction of new objects of Culture, such as the Grape Vm , Olive, Capers, Tea, Sugar Cane, Silk Worm and others, which have yet been untrie i, and of c urse not known how far they may be climatised. Only that branch of Horticulture will be for the present attended to. which relates to the Kachen Garden. When the proper time shall arrive, we are prepared to give directions for the cultivation of the nigher, bran-

Part 2d will contain Selections from Foreign Works on the above subjects, so far as they may be applicable to the soil and climate of the South. ern section of the Union, or may in some way Wanted also, two Apprentices to the Tailoring be of use to our Planters. Reviews of su Works, as may treat of the Agriculture of these States, or such as may either directly or indirectly have an influence on us, will be inserted in the

part of the work. Part 3d will contain brief Agricultural Notices, so that our Planters may not remain ignorant of what is going on, but may have an opportunity of knowing what is done in the different parts of the world in aid of Agriculture. It is hoped, that this knowledge, will be as a spur to our enterprise, and cause us also to make fresh exertions. Here also will be inserted a fist of Agricultural, Horticultural and Botanical Works occasionally some notice will be taken of the and Implements, or any other which may inte est the Planters generally, will be published on a senarate sheet, and attached to each number.

We hope all such as are favourably is posed t the work will assist us in contributing to its ges, and also in procuring subscribers for We request, all who are disposed to contribut to forward to us their communications as carly possible. Those who have made experiments wit Grape Vines, Olives, Silk Worms, or any other articles new to our States, or can give any in mation relative to them, we particularly solicit subscribed hereto, will expire by limitation to communicate what they may know on the succession

## TERMS.

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# Internal Improvement.

THE Board for Internal Improvements will hold their annual meeting, in this cit conformity with their act of inderporation, of Menday the 19th inst, at which all persons having business with the Board will take notice.

By order,

J. GALES, Sec. Raleigh, Nov. 3, 1827

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