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NEW GOODS.

JUST RECEIVED BY R. KINGSBURY, At the Brick Store.

A variety of Fashionable and Seasonable Staple and Fancy DRY GOODS.

Among which are many CHEAP and ELEGANT Articles. Also a general assortment of

GROCERIES,

HARD-WARE, CROCKERY, GLASS-WARE, Hats, Shoes, Leather,

IRON, NAILS, &c. &c. &c. and small receive in all this week

TURKS ISLAND SALT. The above together with my former stock makes my assortment as general and complete as is usually found in a country store.

The above goods will be sold on my usual accommodating terms. I therefore solicit all that wish to purchase any thing in my line...

Halifax, 17th April, 1829. 11-17

WILLIAM H. REDWOOD, COMMERCIAL MERCHANT, NORFOLK, VA.

Warehouse on Woodside's Wharf, recently occupied by Messrs. J. & W. Southgate.

Offers his services to COUNTRY MERCHANTS, PLANTERS, and LUMBER DEALERS...

His attention being confined solely to Commission Business...

Refer to Messrs Cole & Shelton, Williamsburg, Ca's L. Wingfield, Robert Souter, Shields & Ashburn, Norfolk.

Eds. Beacon, May, 1829. 17-12

HERRINGS. JUST received a prime lot of new cut HERRINGS...

Those of my friends who have heretofore supplied themselves from my Ware-houses, I earnestly hope will not fail to give me a call...

JOS. L. SIMMONS, May 23th. 17-13

CAUTION. THE money for the purchase of a Tract of Land called Mush Island...

JOHN D. AMIS, Guardian, for the children of L. Long, May 28, 1829. 21-30

NEW SPRING Goods.

Just received, a supply of fashionable spring Goods among which are:

20 pieces Calicoes, all new style Plain and Figured Gros de Nap; Black, White and Pink Satins; Yellow Bandanna Hkfs.

Gros de nap Hkfs. some very splendid.

Men and Women's Linnen Hose; Brown Linn Hkfs, Brown Cambrics; Brown French Drilling, Buckram; Oil cloth, Denmark Satteen; Belt Ribbons, fancy Vestings &c.

Ladies dressing cases, and an additional supply of GROCERIES, CROCKERY, HARDWARE, and MEDICINES.

All of which will be sold low for cash, by J. HEMPSTEAD, Jr. Halifax, N. C. March 1829. 7-11

Commercial and Commission WAREHOUSE.

THE Subscribers have opened in the town of Portsmouth, Virginia, a Commercial Warehouse for the reception and sale of Foreign and Domestic Merchandize and Produce of all kinds.

The following are the terms on which they will, as Commission Merchants, transact Business: Farmers and Merchants who may consign goods or produce to them, will be charged a commission of two and a half per cent. and NO CHARGES FOR STORAGE, if sold within thirty days.

An advance in money will be made on consignments of country produce, upon which the usual interest will be charged. If the advance be wished in merchandize, it will be made in such articles as may be wanted, at cost prices, without interest.

The New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Richmond prices, deducting therefrom the necessary expenses of shipping, wharfage, drayage and commission, as charged in those cities respectively, may always be calculated on in this and the adjoining market, Norfolk. But the subscribers will hold themselves bound, in consulting the interest of their friends, to avail themselves either of the above named markets—and when prices will justify a shipment, it shall be made (if requested) upon the responsibility, and at the risk of consignees.

The correspondence of the subscribers with the northern cities, will enable them at all times to furnish correct reports of the actual sales of country and other produce, which they propose to make known, with the prices of this and the Norfolk market, to those who may consign to them.

They furthermore remark, for the information of farmers and others that may be disposed to avail themselves of their agency, that their warehouse is so situated as to enable them to receive consignments without the expense of drayage, wharfage, or exposure to the weather.

They will keep on hand and will always sell at the lowest prices

Groceries of all kinds, SALT, IRON, NAILS, &c. AND DRY GOODS.

Their assortment of the last named is now considerable, and will be so enlarged as to meet the demands of the approaching season.

Referring to the following named gentlemen for a knowledge of their character and integrity, they respectfully solicit consignments.

W. M'KENNEY & Co. Portsmouth, Virginia. 12-4m

REFERENCE TO Rec. Daniel Southall, Murfreesboro, N. C. do

John W. Southall, Esq. do do do do

Joseph G. Rea, Esq. do do do do

Dr. Thos. Barland, do do do do

James Sout, Esq. do do do do

John W. Harrison, C. N. C. C. Price adv. \$3 50. 21-6w

R & J. DUNN & CO., State of North Carolina, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY. Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions. June Term, 1829.

Original attachment—levied on negro boy named Wesley.

George H. Raney, Plaintiff vs. Wesley, Defendant.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that George H. Raney is not an inhabitant of this state. It is therefore ordered, that publication be made in the Minerva, a newspaper printed in the town of Halifax, for six successive weeks, that the said George H. Raney appear at the next Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, to be held for the county of Northampton, at the Court House in Jackson, on the first Monday in September next, then and there to reply to the property so attached and plead to issue, otherwise final judgment will be entered against him.

Witness, JOHN W. HARRISON, Clerk of our said Court, at office in Jackson, the 1st Monday of June, A. D. 1829, and 33rd year of our independence. Price adv. \$3 50. 21-6w

Commission Business. JOS. L. SIMMONS, CONTINUES to transact a GENERAL COMMISSION BUSINESS in the town of Halifax, N. C. He has secure and extensive Warehouses, and hereby promises strict fidelity to the interest of those who may favour him with their business.

For particulars refer to James Gordon, Norfolk, Va. Henry Mason, Halifax Town, N. C. Andrew Harris, Halifax, N. C. June 13. 21-11

JAMES GORDON, LATELY A COMMISSION MERCHANT in PLYMOUTH, HAS REMOVED to NORFOLK, Virginia, and will transact any business in that line which may be intrusted to his care, with the greatest attention and diligence. Norfolk, Va. May 1829. 18-4w

Dr. Charles Cushman, RESPECTFULLY offers his professional services to the inhabitants of Halifax and the neighboring country. He may at all times be found at Mrs. Fenner's Hotel, unless professionally engaged. June 15th. 20-17

SHOCCO SPRINGS, Warren County, N. Carolina. ON the first day of June next, the houses at Shocco Springs, nine miles South of H'arrington, and three miles from the North and Southern main Stage Roads, will be opened for the reception of Visitors. The great advantages of this watering place in most cases of disease and debility, have been so often testified by those who have attended it, that to such, it is only necessary to say, that all the buildings are in excellent repair and condition. The accommodations, in every respect, shall be such as my best efforts can effect, for comfort and convenience to all who may visit the place. To those who have not visited Shocco, it may be necessary to say, that the buildings are so conveniently arranged for the accommodation of a large assemblage. The private apartments will afford ample retirement to those who prefer it, and the public Halls are abundantly spacious to receive all who may desire company, and where music and dancing can be enjoyed by such as delight in it.

An arrangement will be made to have divine worship performed at the Spring on the Sabbath day, where such visitors as may choose, can attend preaching without inconvenience.

In addition to the valuable medicinal qualities of the Shocco waters, it is located in a most healthy part of the county, surrounded by a polished society, where an invalid can be restored to health, in an agreeable circle.

My terms for board, &c. will be the same as last year, viz. \$1 per day for each grown person; \$2 50 per month, or \$6 per week—Children & servants, half price. For horses, \$1 50 per month, or 60 cents per day.

ANN JOHNSON, 10-6w

FISH AND CORN. WE have just received a consignment of HERRINGS and SHAD, put up this season at one of the most celebrated fisheries on Roanoke. We have also on hand a few hundred Barrels of CORN, neatly cleaned and fanned; all of which we will sell low for cash.

R. & J. DUNN, & CO. May 15, 1829. 15-17

State of North Carolina, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY. Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions. June Term, 1829.

Original attachment—levied on 2 negroes, Anthony and Nancy, and also the lands of the defendant, containing acres, in two or more tracts.

John Nelson vs. John Lambertson vs. Same vs. Willie Langford vs. Same.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that John Nelson, the defendant in the above named causes, is not an inhabitant of this state; it is therefore ordered, that publication be made in the Minerva, a newspaper printed in the town of Halifax, for six successive weeks, that the said John Nelson appear at the next Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, to be held for the county of Northampton, at the Court House in Jackson, on the first Monday in September next, then and there to reply to the property so attached and plead to issue; otherwise judgment will be entered against him.

Witness, JOHN W. HARRISON, Clerk of our said Court, at office in Jackson, the first Monday of June, A. D. 1829, and 33rd year of our independence.

John W. Harrison, C. N. C. C. Price adv. \$3 25. 21-6w

State of North Carolina, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY. Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions. June Term, 1829.

Original attachment—levied on a tract of land containing 117 acres, more or less.

Nathaniel Rochelle vs. Same vs. Same.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that Nathaniel Rochelle, the defendant in this cause, is not an inhabitant of this state; it is therefore ordered, by the Court, that publication be made in the Minerva, a newspaper printed in the town of Halifax, for six successive weeks, that the said Nathaniel Rochelle appear at the next Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, to be held for the county of Northampton, at the Court House in Jackson, on the first Monday in September next, then and there to reply to the property so attached and plead to issue; otherwise judgment final will be entered against him.

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From the Saturday Bulletin. Revolutionary Anecdote. Colonel Allen M'Lane.—This venerable and distinguished soldier of the Revolution, after having reached the patriarchal age of 83, closed his earthly pilgrimage at Wilmington, Delaware, on Friday, the 20th ult.

Col. M'Lane was distinguished for daring personal courage, and for his unremitting activity as a partisan officer. He was long attached to Lee's famous legion of horse, which throughout the war, was the terror of the British. An instance of his personal prowess, related to us by himself, we may be permitted to give.

While the British occupied Philadelphia, Col. M'Lane was constantly scouring the adjacent country, particularly the upper end of Philadelphia, Bucks and Montgomery counties—seizing every opportunity to cut off the scouting parties of the enemy to intercept their supplies of provision, and to take any advantage of every opening which offered for striking a sudden blow. In this capacity he rendered many important services to the army, and caused great alarm to the British; and though they frequently attempted to surprise and take him, yet such was his constant watchfulness, that none of their attempts succeeded. Having concerted with Captain Craig, (now living, we believe, near Belvidere, N. J.) the plan of an attack upon a small detachment of the enemy, they agreed to rendezvous at a house near Shoemakerstown, eight miles from Philadelphia, on the Willow Grove Turnpike. Colonel M'Lane having ordered his little band of troopers to follow at some distance, commanded two of them to precede the main body, but also to keep in his rear; and if they discovered an enemy to ride up to his side and inform him of it, without speaking aloud. While leisurely approaching the place of rendezvous, in this order, the two men directly in his rear, forgetting their orders, suddenly called out, "Colonel, the British!" faced about, and putting spurs to their horses, were soon out of sight. The colonel looked around, discovered that he was in the centre of a powerful ambuscade, into which the enemy had silently allowed him to pass, without his observing them. They had both sides of the road, and had been stationed there to pick up any straggling party of Americans that might chance to pass. Immediately on finding they were discovered, a file of soldiers rose from the side of the highway, and fired at the Colonel, but without effect—and as he put spurs to his horse, and mounted the road side into the wood, the other part of the detachment also fired. The Colonel miraculously escaped, but a shot striking his horse on the flank, he dashed through the woods, and in a few minutes reached a parallel road upon the opposite side of the forest. Being familiar with the country, he feared not to turn to the left, as that course led to the city, and he might be intercepted by another ambuscade. Turning therefore to the right, his frightened horse carried him swiftly beyond the reach of those who fired upon him. All at once, however, on emerging from a piece of woods, he observed several British troopers stationed near the road side, and directly in sight ahead, a farm house, around which he observed a whole troop of the enemy's cavalry drawn up. He dashed by the troopers near him without being molested, they believing he was on his way to the main body to surrender himself. The farm house was situated at the intersection of two roads, presenting but a few avenues by which he could escape. Nothing daunted by the formidable array before him, he galloped up to the cross roads, on reaching which, he spurred his active horse, turned suddenly to the right, and was soon fairly out of reach of the pistols, though as he turned, he heard them call loudly to surrender or die! A dozen were instantly in pursuit, but in a short time they all gave up the chase except two. Col. M'Lane's horse, scared by the first wound he had ever received, and being a chosen animal, kept ahead for several miles, while his two pursuers kept on with unwearied eagerness.

The pursuit at length waxed so hot, that, as the Colonel's horse stepped out of a small brook which crossed the road, his pursuers entered it at the opposite margin. In ascending a little hill, the horses of the three were greatly exhausted; so much so that neither could be urged faster than to walk. Occasionally, as one of the troopers pursued on a little advance of his companion, the Colonel slackened his pace, anxious to be attacked by one of the two—but no sooner was his willingness discovered, than the other fell back to his station. They at length approached, so near, that a conversation took place between them, the troopers calling out, "Surrender, you damned rebel, or we'll cut you in pieces!" Suddenly, one of them rode up on the right side of the Colonel, and without drawing his sword, laid hold of the Colonel's collar. The latter, to use his own words, "had pistols which he knew he could depend upon." Drawing one from the holster, he placed it to the heart of his antagonist, fired and tumbled him dead on the ground. Instantly, the other came up on his left, with his sword drawn, and also seized the Colonel by the collar of his coat. A fierce and deadly struggle here ensued—in the course of which Colonel M'Lane was desperately wounded in the back of his left hand, the sword of his antagonist cutting asunder the veins and tendon of that member. Seizing a favourable opportunity, he drew his other pistol, with a steadiness of purpose which appeared even in his recital of the incident, placed it directly between the eyes of his adversary, pulled the trigger, and scattered his brains on every side of the road! Fearing that others were in pursuit, he abandoned his horse in the highway and approached the house from his extreme weakness, that he might die from loss of blood, he crawled into an adjacent mill pond, entirely naked, & at length succeeded in stopping the profuse flow of blood occasioned by this wound. We have seen a painting of this desperate encounter, very accurately representing the contest. It used to be common in our auction rooms, but of late years has become scarce. It should be revived, painted on a large scale, and be hung up to the house of every man who venerates the memory of the departed patriots of his country.

Fatal Enterprise.—Six enterprising citizens of Salem, Massachusetts, set out early last spring for the gold mine district in North Carolina, with an outfit of one thousand dollars each, besides mining implements. They selected their ground, and labored diligently until all their money was exhausted, and returned home a few days since, having spent their last dollar. One is in jail for debt. They were not so fortunate as our fellow-citizen of Mocklenburg, Mr. Harris, who, with four hands, clears one hundred dollars per day from his mines. Rel Star.

Good News.—The Hagerstown Torch Light, acknowledges the receipt of a Missouri paper of the 25th of July, which states that the troops which lately went in pursuit of a small band of Indians, are on their return from the battle ground, not having met with any Indians. It would have been surprising if they had. Having had 12 of their small band killed, the remaining 50 or 70, no doubt sought their safety by precipitate flight from the further dangers which impended. A. J. B.