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"Unwarped by party rage to live like brothers."

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### THE HONEST ROBBER.

FOUNDED ON FACT.

"It is never too late to do well."

A worthy minister, whom I shall call  
the Rev. Mr. Moncrief, resided near  
Edinburg, about the year 1746. He  
was generally esteemed for his piety  
and attention to ministerial duties. He  
preached the whole truth of God in a  
style plain & simple, calculated at once  
to inform the understanding, and under  
the divine blessing to effect the heart.  
It was his custom to go from home  
annually, to receive his yearly stipend,  
which was managed with so much care  
and frugality, that it became just suffi-  
cient to the support of his family, with-  
out any surplus at the end of the year.  
The season having arrived when Mr.  
Moncrief took his journey, for the pur-  
pose of receiving his stipend, he left home  
on foot, unattended and unarmed; and  
having settled his business, was return-  
ing to his habitation. Scarcely had he  
proceeded half way, when a young man  
presented himself before him, and per-  
emptorily demanded his money, at the  
same time raising a pistol to enforce  
his demand. The light of the moon en-  
abled Mr. Moncrief to recognise in the  
robber no less a character than Saun-  
ders Maitland, a linen draper, who had  
recently failed. The firmness of the  
good minister astonished young Mait-  
land. "This, sir," said he, "is my first  
offence—I have been unfortunate—I am  
destitute of every thing. Your charac-  
ter I respect, and it is no intention of  
my heart to offer you either injury or  
insult, but distress impels me to this  
action." These words were delivered  
in so modest and humble a tone, that  
it confirmed Mr. Moncrief in the sen-  
timent that he was not lost in vice; and  
prompted by his sacred office, and a de-  
sire to deter the young man from his  
purpose, he began to reason with  
him, and pointed out to him in strong  
nervous language, the great crime he  
was about to commit—the cruelty of  
depriving a minister of a whole year's  
subsistence for himself and family, and  
the awful end that awaited all who pur-  
sued so dangerous a course. Often he  
recalled to his mind the convictions of  
his conscience, and the admonitions he  
had received in public as well as in pri-  
vate; and added with a firm voice,  
"The end of these things is death."  
Maitland listened with attention, and  
during the address, his eye and his pistol  
often fell below the plane of the hori-  
zon. For some time an internal con-  
flict was maintained, between a desire  
for the money and the sin of taking it.  
At length his conscience yielded, and,  
in the most peremptory manner he a-  
gain demanded Mr. Moncrief to sur-  
render his money! The minister, aware  
that resistance would be vain, looked  
at the pistol that was now pointed at  
him—delivered his money to Maitland!  
and requested that he would listen to  
him for a few moments. "You say,  
young man, that this is your first at-  
tempt—take my advice, and to pre-  
vent your destruction, let it be your last!  
Go, and use the money now obtained,  
in an industrious manner, and you  
shall not only have my forgiveness, but  
my prayers." Moncrief then raised  
his reverend eyes and hands to heaven,  
and implored mercy for the robber.  
They parted, the minister to his affec-  
tionate wife and family, and Maitland  
to—alas! he knew not whither!

The world was all before him, where to  
choose  
His place of rest—

Happy if he could have looked to  
Providence as his guide, or prayed for  
direction, but he could not pray. Af-  
flicted with the most distressing feel-  
ings; sensible of his crime, and aware  
of the danger to which his life was ex-  
posed, he wandered about for some  
time, undetermined what should be his  
future proceeding. The solemn part-  
ing words of the minister still sounded  
in his ears, and his kindness melted his  
heart. At one time he resolved to re-  
turn the ill-gotten booty, but then he  
knew that his apprehension might be  
the consequence, and his life the for-  
feiture.

Meantime the case of Mr. Moncrief

was greatly commiserated by his affec-  
tionate parishioners: old and young  
spontaneously came forward, and more  
than compensated the loss he had sus-  
tained: still he prayed for Maitland,  
and often wept as he intreated God to  
bring him to a sense of his sin, and to  
reclaim him from the paths of the des-  
troyer.

At length Maitland heard of a vessel  
bound to India, and hastened on board.  
While there he frequently reflected on  
the sin he had committed, & would glad-  
ly have restored the money he had so  
unfeelingly taken, but this became every  
day more impracticable, and he now  
turned his attention to the mini-  
ster's advice, to employ it honest-  
ly and industriously. He availed him-  
self of the numerous advantages which  
commerce opens to the sailor, and by  
great assiduity and caution, aided by  
the blessing of Providence which he ear-  
nestly sought, as well as the pardon of  
his sins, he succeeded beyond his most  
sanguine expectation. His desire and  
determination to refund the property  
he had stolen never forsook him, and he  
embraced the first opportunity of mak-  
ing restitution in person. More than  
twelve years, however, rolled away,  
without producing any facility of visit-  
ing Mr. Moncrief. At last he obtained  
a freight to Bordeaux, and thence to  
Leith, and having learned that Mr. Mon-  
crief was still living with his wife and  
family at their old residence, he for-  
warded two pipes of excellent wine to  
him, but without mentioning from whom  
they came. When they arrived at the  
good minister's door, he was thrown in-  
to the greatest perplexity, observing,  
that for himself he had no cellar in  
which he could place it, nor did he pos-  
sess a friend that was likely to send  
him so valuable a present. The whole  
therefore was a mistake, and the wine  
obviously intended for some other per-  
son. He consented, however, to al-  
low them for the present to be placed in  
his stable.

After making every inquiry to dis-  
cover the real owner of the wine, and  
obtaining no information whatever, Mr.  
Moncrief concluded that time would  
develop the mystery.

After a few days, a respectable look-  
ing gentleman alighted from his carriage  
and requested to see the minister. Be-  
ing introduced, he told him he had been  
brought up in the country, and had con-  
stantly recollected him with esteem and  
veneration. He had taken the liberty  
of bringing a few trifles for the accept-  
ance of Mrs. Moncrief. "The presents  
consisted of some choice fruits, silks,  
&c. of no small value. The stranger was  
invited to a very plain dinner, of  
which the family was about to partake,  
and at the conclusion of the repast, po-  
litely requested a glass of wine. Mr.  
Moncrief apologised at not having any,  
his income not allowing him to drink it.  
"It is true," said he "that there are two  
pipes of wine in my stable, directed to  
me, but I do not know to whom they  
belong." The guest replied that he  
knew who sent them, and that Mr.  
Moncrief was to consider the wine as  
his own property. Some wine was im-  
mediately produced, and after the par-  
ty had drank health and happiness to  
their benevolent friend, Mrs. Moncrief  
and her children retired, leaving the  
husband and the stranger to themselves.

The surprise and astonishment of  
the family can scarcely be imagined, and  
yet they could form no idea of the name  
or character of their guest.

Scarcely had the two gentlemen been  
left alone, when the stranger became  
visibly thoughtful, and labored appar-  
ently under great mental perturbation.  
As he sat, the crystal tears flowed in  
rapid succession, and his heart seemed  
ready to burst. Mr. Moncrief became  
greatly alarmed, and was on the point  
of ringing the bell for assistance, when  
the stranger, looking wistfully at him,  
uttered in broken accents, "Excuse me,  
dear and reverend Sir—be not alar-  
med, my tears speak at once my  
pungent sorrow for the past, and my  
gratitude for the present moment." In  
an instant he drew out his purse, con-  
taining a sum of money, and with his  
pencil proceeded to make calculations,  
then placed on the table a second sum.  
"Now, dear Sir," said he, "with an in-  
expressible look of gratitude and hu-  
mility, behold your property restor-  
ed, and the interest due thereon.—  
Maitland, once the robber, offers you  
to-day, some restitution for his great  
offence. I did not reject the advice  
you gave me on that occasion. Your  
image has been constantly before my  
eyes. Frequently have I asked pardon  
of God, and prayed that blessing might  
descend upon you. The Almighty has,  
I trust, answered my prayers; and

made me prosperous in regard to both  
worlds."

Moncrief looked with astonishment,  
first at Maitland and then at the mo-  
ney. Time and a sea-faring life had  
left no traces of his former ap-  
pearance—yet from the moment that the first  
sum was laid down, a dawn of hope a-  
rose in his mind that the object was be-  
fore him, for whose salvation he had so  
long supplicated.

The feelings of the parties may be  
better conceived than described. The  
pious minister beheld his prayers an-  
swered. He that stole, wrought with  
his hands, and restored what he had  
unjustly taken away. God prospered  
him in his endeavors to make restitu-  
tion, and the robber became not only  
honest, but the friend of the man whom  
he had injured.

### State of North-Carolina.

Rutherford county.

Superior Court of Law.

April term, 1825.

Fanny Garrison, }  
vs. Jacob Garrison, } Petition for divorce.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the  
Court that Jacob Garrison, the defendant,  
is not an inhabitant of this State; it is there-  
fore ordered by Court, that publication be  
made three months in the Raleigh Star and  
Register, giving notice to the defendant that  
he appear at the next Superior Court of Law  
to be held for Rutherford county, at the  
Court House in Rutherford on the 3d Mon-  
day after the 4th Monday in September  
next, then and there to answer, plead or de-  
mur to said petition; otherwise it will be  
taken pro confesso and adjudged accord-  
ingly. Witness, James Morris, Clerk of said  
Court, at office the 3d Monday after the 4th  
Monday of March, A. D. 1825, and in the  
49th year of the Independence.

JAMES MORRIS, CLK.

### State of North-Carolina,

Mecklenburg County.

Superior Court of Law, Spring Term, 1825.

Jane Perry, }  
vs. Gray Perry, } Petition Divorce.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the  
Court, that the defendant is not resident  
in this state, so that the ordinary process  
of Law, can be served on him. It is therefore  
ordered that publication be made three  
months in the Raleigh Register, that unless  
the defendant appear at our next Superior  
Court of Law to be held for said County, at  
the Court House in Charlotte, on the 7th  
Monday after the 4th Monday in September  
next, and plead, answer or demur thereto,  
the plaintiff's petition will be taken pro con-  
fesso, and heard ex parte, &c.

J. M. HUTCHISON.

### State of North-Carolina.

Rutherford County.

In Equity.

Spring term, 1825.

James Thompson, Gould Hoyt,  
James B. Murray, Arthur Bron- }  
son and others, } Bill to fore-  
close mort- }  
gage.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court  
that the defendant, Augustus Sackett, is  
not an inhabitant of this State; it is ordered  
that publication be made three months suc-  
cessively in the Raleigh Register, that unless  
he appear at the next Court of Equity to be  
held for Rutherford county, at the Court-  
house in Rutherford, on the 3d Monday  
after the 4th Monday of September next,  
and plead, answer or demur to the bill of com-  
plaint filed against him; it will be taken pro  
confesso, and heard ex parte.

Test. T. F. BIRCHETT, C. M. F.

May 30. 3m

### State of North-Carolina,

MARTIN COUNTY.

Superior Court of Law—Spring Term, 1825.

James Bullock, }  
vs. Tabitha Bullock, } Petition for a Divorce.

IT appearing to the Court that Tabitha Bul-  
lock, is not a resident of this State: Order-  
ed, that publication for three months be made  
in the Raleigh Register, for the Defendant to  
appear at the next Superior Court of Law to  
be held for Martin county, on the Monday  
before the first Monday in September next,  
then and there to plead, or the petition will  
then be heard ex parte.

JOHN LUTEN, CLK

Snr. Court Martin County.

### \$50 Reward.

RAN away from the farm of the subscriber  
not long since, two negro Boys of the  
following description:

AARON, about 20 years old, 5 feet 8 inches  
high, and stout in proportion to his height;  
a dirty black skin, wide face and small eyes.  
DAVID, 18 years old, about the height of  
Aaron, but not so square built. He is a dark  
mulatto, nearly black; his eyes are above  
the common size.

They will probably take up about Raleigh,  
or in the neighborhood of Colonel Philemon  
Hawkins, in Warren. The above reward  
will be given for their apprehension and  
delivery to me, or 30 dollars for Aaron and 20  
for David.

WILL. A. BLOUNT.

Beaufort county, May 15. 60f

On the anniversary of the Raleigh Peace  
Society will be holden in the Baptist Meeting  
House, in this city, on the third Sunday in  
August at 11 o'clock; at which time a Ser-  
mon will be delivered on that subject, by the  
Rev. Robt. T. Daniel. On the next day, the  
members of the Society are respectfully so-  
licited to attend; also delegates from Auxil-  
iary Societies. All indebted to the funds  
will be prepared to pay up their dues.

### State of North-Carolina.

WAKE COUNTY.

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions,  
May Sessions, 1825.

The President & Directors } Original at-  
of the State Bank of N.C. } tachment—  
vs. Hinton & Brame. } levied on land.

IT having been made appear to the satis-  
faction of the Court, that Defendants re-  
side beyond the limits of the State: It is there-  
fore ordered by the Court, that advertisement  
be made in the Raleigh Register for three  
months, that unless Defendants shall come  
forward on or before the next term of this  
court to be held for the county of Wake, at  
the Court House in Raleigh, on the third  
Monday of August next, and replevy and  
plead, that the property levied on will be  
condemned to Plaintiff's recovery.

B. S. KING, C. C.

### North-Carolina.

GREENE COUNTY.

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions,  
May Term, 1825.

Chas. Edwards & Saml. } Original attachment  
H. Hart, admr. of Solo. } levied on a tract  
Brand, dec'd. } of land adjoining  
vs. Jas. Albrighton and  
John Belcher. } others.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court  
that John Belcher, the defendant in this  
case has removed from this State. It is there-  
fore ordered, that publication be made in the  
Raleigh Register, for six weeks successively,  
that unless the defendant appear at our next  
Court to be held for the county of Greene, at  
the Court House in Snow Hill, on the second  
Monday of August next, and show cause to  
the contrary, the cause will be heard ex parte  
and the property levied on condemned for  
sale. Witness William Williams, Clerk of  
said court at office the 2d Monday of May,  
A. D. 1825. W. M. WILLIAMS, CLK.

### State of North-Carolina,

Granville County.

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions,  
May term, A. D. 1825.

Thomas Brown, surviving }  
partner of Geo. & Tho's } Scire facias to  
Brown, } charge the real  
vs. The Heirs of James Pit- }  
tard, dec. } estate.

The same, }  
vs. The same, } Do.

IT having been made to appear that Horace  
Somerville, one of the defendants in these  
cases, is an inhabitant of another State: or-  
dered that publication be made for three  
months in the Raleigh Register, for said de-  
fendant to come forward within the term of  
said Court, to be held on the 1st Monday in  
August next, at Oxford, and enter his appear-  
ance, or judgment will be entered against  
him. Witness,

STEPHEN K. SNEED, C. C.

### State of North-Carolina,

Wake County.

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions,  
May Term, 1825.

William Avent, & }  
William Drake. } Original attachment,  
vs. Edmund Lashley. } levied on land; & Wm.  
Lashley summoned as }  
Garnishee. }

IT having been made appear to the Court,  
that the defendant resided beyond the li-  
mits of the State: It is therefore ordered,  
that advertisement be made in the Raleigh  
Register and State Gazette, for three months,  
that unless the defendant come forward, on  
or before the next Term of this Court, to be  
held at the Court House in Raleigh, on the  
third Monday of August next, and replevy  
and plead, to issue, judgment will be entered  
up against him, and the property levied on  
condemned to plaintiff's recovery.

B. S. KING, C. C. C

Raleigh, May 26. 1825. 60—3m

### State of North-Carolina,

Edgecomb County.

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions,  
May Term, 1825.

Benjamin Wilkinson, }  
vs. Willie Bunn, John B. Bunn, } Petition for  
and Jeremiah Bunn. } Partition.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court,  
that John Burrell Bunn, Orphan of Wil-  
liam Bunn, and Jeremiah Bunn, Orphan of  
Jeremiah Bunn, both infants of tender years,  
two of the defendants, and residents of an-  
other state; it is therefore ordered, that pub-  
lication be made in the Raleigh Register for  
three months, that unless they appear at our  
next Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions to  
be held for the County of Edgecomb, at the  
Court House in Tarborough, on the fourth  
Monday of August next, then and there to  
plead &c. judgment will be taken pro con-  
fesso, & the cause heard ex parte as to them,  
and judgment entered accordingly. Witness,  
Michael Hearn, Clerk of the said Court, at Tar-  
borough, the 4th Monday of May, 1825.

MICHAEL HEARN, C. C.

### Just Published,

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borough; Gottlieb Shober, Salem; and D.  
Reinhardt, Lincolnton.

May 13. 65.

### Public Notice.

THE undersigned, Executor of Samuel  
Walker, of Granville county, dec'd, hereby  
gives notice, that if Thomas Dickinson, the  
legatee, to whom sundry Slaves, viz. a Negro  
Woman Vine, and her Children, the prop-  
erty of said deceased were left by will, many  
years ago, do not come forward and pay the  
expenses that have been incurred in main-  
taining said Negroes, and take them into his  
possession, on or before the 15th day of Novem-  
ber, the said Negroes will on that day, be put  
up for sale, at vendue, and sold in order to  
defray the charges incurred in their support.  
JOHN STONE, Exr.

Franklin, May 10, 1825. 56—6m.

### Notice.

THAT on Monday the 1st day of August  
next, I will expose to public sale, in the  
town of Wilkesborough, the following Prop-  
erty, viz: The life estate of Monfort Stokes  
in 3,000 acres of land, lying on the Yaddin  
River, near Wilkesborough; also about forty  
likely Negroes, amongst which there are  
Carpenters, Blacksmiths, Weavers, &c.  
Also, on Thursday the 4th day of August,  
I will sell, at the Dwelling House of said  
Stokes, a great number of Featherbeds and  
their furniture, a quantity of Silver Plate,  
consisting of Tea-pots, Coffee-pots, Sugar  
Dishes, Cream-pots, Wash Bowls, Teaspoons  
&c. &c. also Dining Tables, Sideboards, Wine  
Cooler, Chairs, Waggon and Horses, Stock  
of Cattle and Hogs. Taken to satisfy two  
executions in favor of the State Bank and the  
Bank of Newbern, and Allemon & Lock.

Good Negotiable Notes at either of the a-  
bove Banks, will be received in payment.  
71 St.

JOEL VANNOY, Shff.

### Runaway

FROM the Subscriber, living in Raleigh,  
about the 15th inst. his negro man VIR-  
GIL. Said negro is about twenty-four years  
of age, dark complexion, and when spoken to  
is apt to stutter. There are two marks which  
cannot fail to lead to his apprehension if at-  
tended to. He is lame of his left leg, and  
has on the crown of his head, a scar, suffi-  
ciently large to lay a finger, occasioned by its  
having been broken some years since. It is  
possible that he may have obtained free pa-  
pers, and is endeavoring to make his way to  
some northern city. I will give for his deliv-  
ery to me or confinement in jail, so that I get  
him again, \$25 if taken out of the state; \$10  
dollars if taken without the county, or \$5 if  
caught in the county.

JOHN BUFFALO, Exr.

Raleigh, June 27, 1825. 69—

BRIGADIER GEN. HENRY BLOUNT,  
will Review the Regiments composing  
the 17th Brigade N. C. Militia, at the follow-  
ing times and places: The Regiment of  
Franklin county, at Louisburg, on Friday the  
26th day of August. The Regiments of  
Wake county, at Raleigh, on Friday the 2d  
day, and the Regiment of Warren county, at  
Warrenton, on Friday the 9th day of Septem-  
ber next. The Officers, non-commissioned  
Officers and Musicians will be required to  
attend at the above mentioned places, in each  
case, the day preceding that of the Review,  
equipped as the law directs, for the purpose  
of an Officer Drill; and in each case Courts  
Martial will be held on the days succeeding  
the Review, of which all those concerned  
will take notice and govern themselves ac-  
cordingly.

By order,

J. H. DRAKE, Jr. Aid-de-Camp.

I have appointed John H. Drake, Jr. Esq.,  
my Aid-de-Camp.

H. BLOUNT, Brig. Gen.  
17th Brigade N. C. Militia.  
Nashville, N. C. July 4. 71 St.

### PROCLAMATION.

By the Governor of North-Ca-  
rolina.

### \$100 REWARD.

WHEREAS it has been made known to  
me, that a murder has been committed  
in the county of Rockingham, and State of  
North-Carolina, on the 23d day of the last  
month; and that a certain Heartwell Stegall,  
of the county of Henry, and Commonwealth  
of Virginia, stands charged, by the verdict  
of a Coroner's Inquest, with having perpetrat-  
ed the same on the body of a certain slave  
named Lucy, the property of John Stegall;  
and as it is further represented and made  
known to me, that the said Heartwell Stegall  
has absconded and fled from the jurisdiction  
and limits of this State; and thereby eluded  
the arm of the law and of justice—

Now therefore, to the end that the said  
Heartwell Stegall may be apprehended and  
brought to justice, the above reward of One  
Hundred Dollars will be given to any person  
or persons who will apprehend and confine  
the said Heartwell Stegall in any jail in this  
State, so that he may be brought to justice;  
and I do moreover, hereby require, com-  
mand, and enjoin all officers whatsoever, as  
well civil as military within this State, to use  
their best endeavors and most energetic ex-  
ertions, to apprehend and take, or cause to  
be apprehended and taken, the body of the  
said Heartwell Stegall, and him safely and se-  
curely keep, so that he may be brought to  
justice.

Heartwell Stegall is a very large man, be-  
tween twenty and thirty years of age, fair-  
ly fair complexion, and has a large scar just  
at the edge of his hair, on his forehead, and  
is also much burnt with powder under one of  
his eyes, which is easily perceptible—he hides  
the scar on his forehead with his hair.

In testimony whereof I have caused  
the Great Seal of the State to be  
hereunto affixed, and subscribed  
the same officially at the City of  
Raleigh, on the 11th day of July,  
A. D. 1825.

MUTCHINS G. BURTON.

By the Governor,  
J. K. CAMPBELL, Private Secretary.