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VALUABLE REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.

 THE Subscribers will sell, without fail, at Mocksville, on Friday, the 15th day of May next, on accommodating terms, the most valuable Plantation in the county of Rowan. The tract is situated in the Forks of the Yadkin, on Cedar creek, and contains between

Four and Five Hundred Acres.

The dwelling-house is new and commodious, with suitable out-houses, and a Still-House; the plantation is in excellent repair. The healthiness of the situation and superior fertility of the soil, gives this plantation a fair preference, for all the purposes of agriculture, over any in the county.


Also, will be sold at the same time, the *Tavern House* in Mocksville, accommodated with stables, a garden, &c. being as eligible a situation for that business as any in the county; and two other Houses and Lots in Mocksville.

Persons wishing to purchase, may call upon the subscribers at any time before the day of sale.

J. D. JONES,
B. G. JONES,
JNO. CLEMENT.

March 16, 1829.—18tc6i

LAND FOR SALE.

 I WISH to sell the Plantation whereon I now reside, lying on the road generally called "Cucumber Road," leading from Salem to Randolph C. House, on the waters of South Fork, about 4 miles south of Salem, in Stokes county.

The tract of Land contains about 200 acres, of which about 80 acres, including an excellent meadow and a well selected fruit orchard, are in a good state of cultivation; the balance is woodland, and a great part low grounds, inferior to none in this section of country. The Mill Seat on this almost never failing stream, the South Fork, adds, and is of no small importance to its value. The improvements consist of a dwelling-house, barn, stables, and other out-houses, mostly new and in good order. Those inclined to purchase, are invited to call and view the premises, and learn further particulars.

JONATHAN WILLIAMS.

March 13, 1829.—2m20n

STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA, STOKES COUNTY.

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions.....March Term, 1829.

Elisha Mendenhall }
vs. } Attachment.
Christopher Swaim. }

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the defendant in this case is not an inhabitant of this State, or that he so absconds or conceals himself that the ordinary process of law cannot be served on him: It is therefore ordered, that publication be made in the Weekly Gleaner, for six weeks, for Christopher Swaim to appear at our next Court, on the second Monday of June, and plead or demur, otherwise final judgment will be entered against him.

MATTHEW R. MOORE, c. c.

By CONSTANTINE L. BANNER, D. C.

Germanton, 17th March, 1829.
171—pr. adv. \$1 75

State of North-Carolina—Stokes County.

March Term, 1829.

IT appearing to the Court, that a negro man who calls himself John Baker, has been confined in jail for 12 months, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that notice has been given in the State Gazette according to law: It is therefore ordered by the Court, that the Sheriff of this County make sale of the said runaway negro according to law.

MATTHEW R. MOORE, c. c.

By C. L. BANNER, D. C.

Pursuant to the above order of Court, I shall offer the above mentioned negro for sale, for ready money, to the highest bidder, at the Court-House door in Germanton, on the second Monday of June next.

S. STONE, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, March 9, 1829.

122—pr. adv. \$2 75

VARIETY.

[From the Troy Sentinel.]

Great Guns, Great Bells, Great Eels.—A friend has picked up the following facts in the course of his reading, which he obligingly hands us to give variety to our columns.

Great Guns.—The great cannon at Moscow is 18 1-2 feet long; 10 inches thick in the metal; and a man may sit upright in its calibre.

The Basalisk at Dover, Eng. is 23 feet long, carries a 100 lb. shot, and requires 18 lbs. powder.

This is an error. The same work (article Ordinance) states that this enormous gun is called Queen Ann's Pocket Pistol, and is a 60 pounder.

A cannon near Lisbon is 20 feet 7 inches long, its diameter at the middle is 6 feet 3 inches, it throws a ball of 100 lbs.

Mount Meg, in the Tower of London, is an 80 pounder. There is an 80 pounder in the Arsenal at Berlin, named the Thunderer, and another at Malaga, called the Terrible.

There are two 60 pounders at Bremen called the *Messengers of Bad News*.

There is a 70 pounder at Rome, made of the nails which fastened the copper plates that covered the ancient Pantheon.

The largest cast gun existing is of brass, at Bejapoor, called the Lord of the Plain. It is supposed it was intended for stone balls. An iron shot of the proper size would weigh 2600 pounds.

The Emperor Charles V. had 12 large cannon cast which he called the Twelve Apostles.

Great Bells.—There is a large bell in St. Ivan's church at Moscow; it is 40 feet 9 inches in circumference, 16 1-2 inches thick, and weighs more than 47 tons; equal to 105,280 lb.

The great bell of Moscow is 67 feet 4 inches in circumference or a diameter of 22 feet 5 inches. It is 21 feet 4 inches high, the thickest part is 23 inches, the weight is estimated at about 444,000 lbs. If this broken and useless mountain of metal was sold at 3s. per lb. it would amount to 66,565l. sterling, or \$295,548.

Great Eels.—In Mauritius it is said there are eels in a certain lake more than 20 feet in length, weighing 80 lbs.—*Clarke's Travels*.

A WOODEN LEGGED COW.

One of the fore legs of a Cow, the property of Mr. Little, of Herresford, in Cornwall, was accidentally broken some time ago, and Mr. Little being unwilling to kill it, had the leg amputated just below the knee joint, and the part being perfectly healed, a pad and leg were braced on, and the poor animal now walks about, lies down, and rises with much facility.—*English paper*.

This is nothing to the story of the N. England Cow, who, when her sight began to fail her, was, by her benevolent master accommodated with a pair of spectacles. It was said that the sight of the poor animal was so much improved by this experiment, that she could actually see to stitch wristbands.

COURAGE.

Lightning was in his eye. His step was firm,
But stealthy as a tiger's; and his limbs,
Stirr'd like the springing steel. His left hand held
The instrument of death, and on his breast
Th' insignia of his deadly trade were crossed.
Look! he has marked his victim, and his form
Stoops to a keener gaze. On—step by step!
Near—and still nearer!—It will answer now!
Slowly he raises up his sinewy form,
And stands a giant. Dreadfully minute
His deadly preparation—all is done!
A moment—a keen flash—and to the ground
Falls the unconscious—robin!—Hail! brave man!

Drawn by conceit from reason's plan,
How vain is that creature, man!
How pleas'd is every paltry elf
To prate about that thing, himself.

[Churchill.]

Second Hand Coffins.—The following curious handbill has been stuck up at Whitehaven:—"Hardy and Company, *Second Hand Coffin Warehouse*, No. 18, Fox-lane, having been several years agent for supplying Dublin and Edinburg Colleges with bodies, they have had the opportunity of collecting a large assortment of coffins of every size and descriptions, which they purpose selling at reduced prices for ready money. Also all kinds of human bones, coffins, &c. bought, sold, or exchanged. Orders will be received at the warehouse, or the furniture shop, Market place. N. B. Best prices given for perfect bodies.

Errors Excepted.—The Alabama Telegraph, under the head of '*Mistakes Rectified*,' states, that "It having been shewn to the satisfaction of the Legislature of Alabama, that sundry females of this State had committed mistakes, and married men who were not originally intended for them; (though it is said that matches are made in Heaven!) Acts have been passed declaring eleven of such marriages void, and giving the parties an opportunity of correcting the errors of their youth."

MR. LEWIS WILLIAMS.

FROM THE NEW YORK COMMERCIAL ADVERTISER.

Extract from a letter, dated Washington, Feb'y 19th, 1829.

"You ask me whether Mr. WILLIAMS, so long Chairman of the Committee of Claims, was displaced by Mr. Speaker STEVENSON on party grounds, and express some displeasure at the supposed injustice. The displeasure was natural on the supposition that the fact existed; but it was not as you apprehend. Mr. WILLIAMS was not displaced from the station which he so long and honorably sustained, but was prevented by severe indisposition from arriving at Washington until some time after the Committees were arranged. It is not usual, you know, to appoint any member on a committee unless he is in attendance upon Congress. Whatever difference may have existed between the Speaker and Mr. Williams, in regard to the Presidential question, there is no want of personal respect between them. Independent, high spirited men, they form their own opinions, and take their own course, but this in no degree impairs the mutual esteem which personally exists, resulting from a proper appreciation of each other's ability and motives. Had Mr W. been here, no one doubts but that he would, as a matter of course, have been appointed to his former station.

Mr. Williams has been a member of Congress I believe, for fourteen years—during twelve of which he presided as chairman of the Committee on Claims, one of the most important committees in the House. It is, in fact, a sort of Chancery tribunal, to which are referred claims that may be just, but which are not strictly legal. At the close of the war, a vast many such claims were presented. The duties of the committee were extremely laborious. A fellow lodger with Mr. W. told me, he has often known him, while other members of the House were at the President's levees or other parties of pleasure, go to his room with a mass of papers, documents, affidavits, accounts, the most uninviting business possible, and devote nearly the whole night, with the most persevering assiduity, until the whole mass of the matter was unravelled, and his report prepared to submit to the committee in the morning. To this indefatigable labor, directed and enlightened by extensive knowledge of men and the affairs of life, regulated by legal knowledge and sound principles and judgment, it is owing that the decisions of that committee obtained in the House and throughout the nation, a respect bordering on perfect confidence. 'Ought the claim to be allowed?'—'There