

operation of the system, and to collect a mass of information for its improvement, that a Committee of the Legislature shall convene before them such and so many of the Chairmen in various Counties, or other intelligent persons, as they shall require, and take their examination, on oath, touching the merits of our present School laws, and their administration in the community. This mode of obtaining knowledge to enlighten the course of Legislation is not unfrequent in other Parliamentary Assemblies, and cannot but be of great utility on the subject under consideration. No concern of the State is now of greater importance, whether we regard the amount of money expended or the object intended to be accomplished. I am yet of opinion that a school Commissioner to supervise its administration, visit the several Counties and districts, advise as to its management, exact accountability from the County authorities give publicity to their proceedings, and the due need of praise to the deserving, and censure to the delinquent, is indispensable to the success of these schools, at least until they are established on a better foundation than at present, and that the necessity of such an agent would be demonstrated by the investigation now proposed.

Sundry interesting matters pertaining to the Swamp Lands, under the control of the Literary Board, will no doubt receive your attention in their report which will be laid before you without delay.

The recent return of our volunteers to their respective neighborhoods, with the familiar knowledge of discipline acquired in a service of eighteen months, affords advantages for the improvement of our militia system; and the revision of our code under that head is again recommended to your attention.

The term of the Honorable George E. Badger, as a Senator of the United States from this State, will expire on the 4th of March next, and the election of a successor, will be among your duties.

The completion of the enclosure around Union square presents a fit occasion for paying a long deferred tribute to the memories of the two noble martyrs to the liberty and glory of the State, Brigadier Generals Francis Nash, and William Davidson, the former of the Continental line from this State and the latter commanding our Militia force, at the period of the British invasion, were both killed in battle, in the War for Independence and in the gallant discharge of duty. The Continental Congress immediately after the fall of each, expressed their sense of his character, in terms of the highest commendation and requested the Governor of the State to cause a monument in honor of him to be erected, at a cost of five hundred dollars, and to draw on the National Treasury for the respective amounts. But nothing has ever been done to give effect to these resolutions. I recommend that a simple monument of native material, with suitable inscriptions in regard to each be reared in the grounds of the Capitol, and that an appropriation not exceeding the aggregate of the sums above stated, be made for the purpose. It would be a fitting memorial of the patriotic services and sacrifices of the illustrious dead, and a perpetual incentive to the living, to lead such lives, and if duty demand it, to devote themselves to such deaths, for their country.

At the solicitation of sundry good citizens, I suggest the propriety of adopting a joint resolution requesting the Governor in future to recommend some day in each recurring year, to be observed in the manner each individual or community may think best, as a day of thanks, giving to the Almighty Ruler of nations, for his kindness, and care over us, as a people. The custom of such an observance is now nearly universal in the States, and seems to be but a fitting requital for the favors we enjoy.

Having received information of the deaths of James K. Hill, and Harrison W. Covington, Senators, and Alfred Marler, member of the House of Commons, and the resignation of Hugh Waddell Senator, and A. C. McIntosh, and Henry H. Watters, members of the House, all elected to the present General Assembly, I have issued writs of election to supply the several vacancies.

With great deference to the General Assembly, I recommend a more strict supervision of the enrollment of the Acts which may receive their sanction. The wisest intentions may fail of effect, by clerical omissions or inadvertence and cases have occurred where the extreme license of construction, was barely sufficient to effect the known purposes of the framers of the Law.

The resignation of Justices of the Peace, since the last session are transmitted in the package marked A. and the resolutions and proceedings of sundry State Legislatures, requested to be laid before you, in that marked B.

Copies of the reports of the Comptroller for the year ending 1st. Nov. 1847 printed for the use of the General Assembly are likewise sent herewith.

My Letter Book will be submitted to your inspection by my Private Secretary at the convenience of the Legislature.

As the most appropriate opportunity which may occur in the brief remainder of my term of office, I desire, in conclusion, to acknowledge my profound obligations to the people of the State, for the honors bestowed by their hands and the confidence of kindness, which has been extended to my official action, to repeat my vows of devotion to the great principles of Constitutional freedom, which are the basis of our system of Government, and my most ardent wishes for the enduring prosperity, happiness, and glory of our Country.

WILLIAM A. GRAHAM.
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
Raleigh, Nov. 21, 1848.

The Union kindly informs Gen. Taylor that he will not find his position as President, "a bed of roses." Thank you sir. The old hero will be prepared for it. He has slept in a blanket on the ground, many and many a time, and will not require a "bed of roses" to make him comfortable and at his ease.—*Atlas, Gaz.*

The Union also tells the General that it will be worse than fighting the battle of Buena Vista. That may be, but at least the General will not feel, whilst he is patriotically doing his duty, that those who placed him in his position are anxious for his downfall, as was the case whilst he was fighting at Buena Vista.—*Fayetteville Observer.*

A SUBSCRIBER FOR LIFE.—The Cleveland Plaindealer some time before the election received a letter ordering that paper to be sent "till Gen. Cass is elected."

From the Baltimore Patriot
SALT RIVER SONG.
"Toss 'em in the Boat!"
The steamer is now about starting,
Away up Salt River she goes,
So you had better get ready for parting,
You papfed and bloated Locos.

Gen'l Cass, who is her Commander,
Once "stuck on a stump," it is true,
But then there can never be danger,
When Peck is along with his crew.

A snag craft I'm sure you will find her,
Her timbers substantial and strong,
And Ritchie, the great organ-grinder,
Will cheer you while gliding along.

'Pet Butler' will 'tend to the dishes,
And serve up the delicate fare,
And if you split open your britches,
Old Mary will pay for the tear.

This steamer is truly a beauty,
Made 'to order,' over the sea,
She's paid not a copper of duty,
Sir Robert imported her free.

The river is said to be shoally,
The channel not easy to find,
And she must move onward quite slowly,
With the "Baltimore platform" behind.

But if, when you're weary with pushing,
His face a vile Mexican shows,
You can call for your Pillow and Cushion,
And rest without caring for foes.

If ever your engine stops puffing;
And you wish to start up a breeze,
You must get John Calhoun to snuffing,
And South Carolina will sneeze.

Ye who live in Uncle Sam's nest,
Be careful to do 'nothing rash,'
Though from office you go by request,
Remember to leave all the cash.

Come, Whigs, then, let us bid them adieu,
And pray they may never come back,
And whilst the steamer's receding from view,
We'll shout loud and long for Old Zack.

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CAPE FEAR STEAM BOAT COMPANY.
THE Proprietors of the CAPE FEAR STEAM BOAT COMPANY have put on the River the new Steamer
GOV. GRAHAM,
to run regularly between Wilmington and Fayetteville, at the late reduced freights. She draws but 20 inches water, having two engines and locomotive boiler, with superior accommodations for Passengers.
All Goods consigned to J. & W. L. McGARY, Wilmington, will be forwarded up the river, free of commissions.
All Produce from the country will be forwarded down the river and to its destination free of commissions.
We are now building two Tow Boats which will be completed before the fall freights begin.
Communications addressed to J. & W. L. McGARY, Wilmington, and W. L. McGARY, Fayetteville, will have attention.
W. L. McGARY, Agent.
April 15, 1848

The undersigned is now building a large warehouse at the river entirely isolated from other buildings where he will receive and forward all goods sent to his address at the usual charge, saving half the up town hauling.
W. L. McGARY.

Valuable Lands and Water POWER, FOR SALE.
I WISH to sell that valuable place on the South Yadkin River, known as the SHOALS, containing 400 ACRES OF LAND, with its splendid WATER-POWER. The land is excellent and as to water-power, it is one of the best sites in all the Southern country for Mills and Factories of all descriptions. Its location is in the centre of the best grain-growing region in all N. Carolina, and is convenient to inexhaustible supplies of superior iron ore. The power is sufficient to propel any number of Mills or other Factories. When the contemplated Rail Road through this part of the State shall be completed, this place must become a large manufacturing town, as it unites all the essentials for such a place.
As it is probable any person wishing to purchase will first inspect the place, it is unnecessary here to give any further description of it. In my absence, call on Chas. F. Fisher, in Salisbury, or Col. Wm. F. Kelly, in Mocksville, who will show the premises, and give any further information required.
CHARLES FISHER.
Salisbury, August 17, 1848

COACH AND CARRIAGE MAKING BUSINESS!
SMITH & CO.,
WOULD return their most hearty thanks to the public for the very liberal patronage which they have received; and would respectfully inform them that they are still carrying on in Salisbury, at the old stand nearly opposite the old jail on Main street, the
COACH MAKING BUSINESS,
and are prepared to make on short notice and in the most superb style any vehicles in that line, such as Coaches, Barouches, Buggies, Sulkies, &c., which will be delivered on the most reasonable terms.
Every description of vehicles made to order, and warranted to be of the best selected material and workmanship. And as we have several first rate workmen in our employ can warrant our work to be as good as any done in our country.
Repairing done neat, cheap and expeditiously.
Salisbury, August 17, 1848. if 16
P. S. All kind of produce taken in exchange for work.

This is to make known to all whom it may concern, that the subscriber hereto, is well acquainted with Mr. Wm. M. Barker, one of the partners in the firm of Smith, Barker & Jacobs; that he was brought up by me to the coach making business, from a child to mature age, and had the advantage not only of my instructions in the business, but also that of the most skillful and experienced Northern workmen as well as Southern, which I had frequently in my employment; and I take great pleasure in recommending him to the confidence and patronage of the public generally.
THOMAS THOMPSON.
Thompsonville, Rockingham County, June 30, 1848.

PRICE & UTLEY,
Fashionable Tailors,
CONCORD, N. C.
April 27, 1848. if 52

JUST RECEIVED
A VERY large assortment of Liqueurs and Wines of all kinds, such as French Brandy, Gin, Rum, Madeira, Sherry, Port, Sicily or White and Malaga Wines.
BROWN & JAMES.
July 6, 1848

P Childs & Cos. Oriental or Sovereign Balm Pills
ARE entirely vegetable in their composition—are compounded upon scientific principles, and with a careful regard to chemical affinities. Their ingredients are so prepared and blended, that they cleanse the stomach, purify the blood and regulate the action of the bowels, (which they never leave costive,) thus speedily and efficiently removing the causes of a large class of diseases. Their entire success even, when the most popular remedies have failed, has obtained for them recommendations of the highest character from those who have used them sufficiently to test their virtues as a family medicine.
Each box contains 31 pills; price 25 cents, and is accompanied with certificates and full directions.
For sale by Boger & Maxwell, Salisbury; Falls & Morrison, Statesville; David Fraley, Rockville; J. P. Mabry, Lexington; D. Honeycutt, Gold Hill; and wholesale and retail by P. M. Cohen, 19, Hayne street, Charleston, S. C. 4w27

INVALUABLE FAMILY COMPANION.
SIX Lectures on Cause, Prevention and Cure of Consumption, Asthma, Diseases of the Heart, and all Female Diseases. 234 pages, 28 engravings. Paper 50 cts.; bound 75 cts. Mail to any part—postage 1/4 cts.
Shoulder Braces and Chest Expanders, \$2. Mail to any part, 50 cts. postage. Inhalant Tubes, Silver, \$3, by mail, letter postage. Abdominal Supporters, perfect, \$8 to \$10, for all Ruptures, Falling of the Bowels and Womb, and Weak Back, and Chest; sent by Express everywhere. For Braces or Supporters, or Rupture Supporters, give height from head to foot, and circumference of person next the surface, just above the hips. In Rupture, mention which side. Agents wanted for the sale of the above goods. Address Dr. S. S. FITCH, 707 Broadway, New York, post paid.
February 24, 1848—1y48

SURVEYOR'S COMPASS FOR SALE.
A NEW and elegant Surveyor's Compass for sale. Apply at this Office.
August 10, 1848. if 15

WHOLESALE & RETAIL DRUGS,
FRESH MEDICINES
Chemicals, Dye-Staffs and Perfumery.
THE subscribers are now receiving at their Drug Store, corner of the Mansion Hotel, the largest and best selected assortment of
Drugs, Chemicals, Paints, Oils, and Dye-Staffs,
ever brought to this market. We particularly invite the attention of Physicians, Druggists, and Merchants to our stock, which we pledge to sell at lower rates than any other establishment in Western North Carolina.—With the assurance again that our prices and terms shall please all, we return our sincere thanks to the public for their very liberal patronage heretofore extended to us. Below we present a list of a few of the articles comprising our stock: Pulverised Ipecac, Rhei, Jalap, Columbo, Scilla, Gamboge, Opium, Arrow Root, Pearl Barley, Cort. Cinch, Hyd. Chlo. Mit. Sph. Quinine, Sulph. Morphine, Acet. Do., Pipereine, Sassafras, Red Lead, Venetian Red, Spanish Brown, White Lead, Black do., Linseed and Train Oil, Logwood, Coppers, Indigo, &c., &c.
Also, a large assortment of Shop Furniture.
Prescriptions furnished at all hours. Orders from a distance punctually attended to.
BROWN & JAMES.
Salisbury, July 6, 1848 10

High Shoals Iron Works!
Gaston County, N. C.
THE subscriber having leased the above Establishment for the purpose of manufacturing Iron, Nails, Castings, Mill Spindles, Cranks, and all Blacksmith work, and having good Lathes and an excellent Machinist from the North, he will be prepared to make and fit up all kinds of Machinery at short notice. Having spared neither pains nor expense in selecting a good set of workmen, connected with his own long experience in the above line of business, will warrant all work made at this establishment to be as well executed as it can be done in this part of the country, and at prices to suit the times.
WM. E. ROSE.
1y41

100 DOLLARS REWARD!
RANAWAY from the subscriber in the month of May last a negro man named
SAM.
The said slave is aged about 22 years, black complexion, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches in height, stout and likely. He was purchased by me of Mr. Wm. F. McKesson in Morganton, who purchased him of the estate of A. C. Coppen of Burke county. I understand he has been seen since he left that county. The above reward of
One Hundred Dollars,
will be paid for his apprehension and delivery in Salisbury to John I. Shaver Esq. or to the subscriber.
E. MYERS.
Salisbury, Nov. 13th 1848. 28 if

Speed the Plough.
THE subscriber would inform the citizens of the country in general, that he is engaged in the manufacture of the celebrated Davis, Eastman, and Evans Chenoweth double pointed and side hill Ploughs, which cannot be surpassed for ease of draught or beauty of work. Those wishing ploughs can be supplied at any of the following places, viz: Mocksville, Salisbury, Concord and Charlotte, or at any other point, where a load can be sold.
J. H. THOMPSON.
Tyro, Davidson co., N. C., 6m15
Aug. 10, 1848.

Medicines, Medicines.
WE are receiving at Dr. C. B. Wheeler's old stand the largest and best stock of
MEDICINES, INSTRUMENTS, Paints & Dye-Staffs, Spices & Perfumery. Fancy and Useful Articles,
ever brought into this country. (See our large hand-bills and Catalogue.) We will sell very low for cash.
LOCKE & CHAFFIN.
Salisbury, May 11, 1848 2

Important to Mill Owners.
HOTCHKISS'S Vertical Water Wheels for sale in Fayetteville, by
D. McNEILL & Co.
And in Lincoln County by
E. A. BREVARD.
March 12, 1847—1y45

Fall and Winter Fashions For '48 & 49.
HORACE H. BEARD, Tailor, has just received, (at his old stand,) from New York, the American and European Fashions for the Fall and Winter of '48 and '49, and will continue to receive them quarterly. He is prepared to execute all orders in his line of the trade, in a fashionable and workmanlike manner, at the shortest notice. From his long experience in the art of cutting and making garments, he feels confident that he can give satisfaction to his customers.
He respectfully returns his thanks to his friends and the public for their liberal support tendered him heretofore, and will endeavor by increased efforts to please his customers, to merit a continuance of their favors.
HORACE H. BEARD.
N. B. All kinds of country produce taken at the market prices for work.
Salisbury, Sept. 21, 2848. if 47 of vol 4

A LARGE SALE OF Valuable Property.
ALL the property of John Murphy, deceased, consisting of House-Hold and Kitchen Furniture, Farming Utensils, Tools, &c.; 1 Silver Lever Watch, 1 Sully, 1 Gig, 1 Carriage, 2 to 300 lbs. Lead, 1 to 2000 lbs. Bacon, 2,000 bushels Corn, 2 to 3,000 bundles Oats, 50 to 75 loads Hay, 50 bushels Wheat, 120 head of Hogs, 30 head of Cattle, two 2 Horse Wagons, three 4 Horse Wagons, 14 head of Horses, and a quantity of Fodder, will be offered for sale, to the highest bidder, on a credit of twelve months, with interest after six months. Bonds with approved security will be required.
Sale to commence on Wednesday, the 6th of December, at the plantation called the Kelly Tract, four miles West of Salisbury, and on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, the 7th, 8th and 9th, at the Dwelling House in Salisbury, and on Monday, the 11th, at the plantation four miles below Salisbury.
WILLIAM MURPHY, JAMES MURPHY, Executors.
November 16, 1848 3-27

Splendid Furniture
TAKE notice that Public call for the which they are to keep constantly on hand. Among these articles are Wardrobes, Bureaus, Dressing and Toilet and Ladies' Dressing Ottomans, Sofas, Mattresses, Mahogany, Carved Mahogany and Wood Sore Cases, &c. every description always on hand and order at the lowest prices.
Having in our employ a first class cabinet maker, we are in a position to say that we are prepared for any kind of furniture, and a call from the citizens of the State, at the old stand, just above Salisbury, July 20, 1848.

HOTCHKISS'S WHOLESALE GROCERIES
No. 51, Water Street
HAVE constantly on hand SUGARS of all kinds, styles, TEAS, Imperial, Gunpowder, and Black Teas, in whole and retail. Also, a large assortment of TOBACCO, from the best brands. SEGARS—Regalia, &c. Imported WINES & LIQUORS in cases of all sizes. Also, a large assortment of Groceries, and a call from the citizens of the State, at the old stand, just above Salisbury, July 20, 1848.

DR. LE ROY'S Wild Cherry and Sarsaparilla
Are a strengthening and purifying medicine.
A S whole nation has experienced the efficacy of Dr. Le Roy's Wild Cherry and Sarsaparilla, in curing all kinds of skin diseases, such as Eruptions, Scalds, Itch, &c. and in restoring the system to its natural state, after the effects of a long and tedious illness. It is a most valuable medicine, and one which should be in the hands of every family. It is sold by all the Druggists and Grocers in the United States.
New York, June 16, 1848.

BOGER & MAXWELL'S Jewellery, Silversmiths, Musical Instruments, Perfumery, Soaps, and Fancy Goods.
Persons wishing to purchase will do well to call and examine our stock, and we warrant our goods to be of the best quality and at the lowest prices. We are also prepared to repair and clean all kinds of Jewellery, and to make and repair all kinds of Musical Instruments, and to supply all kinds of Perfumery, Soaps, and Fancy Goods, at the lowest prices.
Salisbury, July 20, 1848.

MANUFACTURERS MAIN STREET
THE subscriber having moved to the Town of Salisbury, for the above business, respectfully requests that the very liberal patronage be done in the very best manner.
He will keep constantly on hand all kinds of Saddles, Harness, Carriage Seats, &c. and will be prepared to make and repair all kinds of Saddles, and to supply all kinds of Harness, and to supply all kinds of Carriage Seats, &c. at the lowest prices.
Salisbury, January 21, 1848.

WILLIAM J. SADDLER AND MANUFACTURER
TAKE notice that the subscriber has moved to the Town of Salisbury, for the above business, and is prepared to make and repair all kinds of Saddles, and to supply all kinds of Harness, and to supply all kinds of Carriage Seats, &c. at the lowest prices.
Salisbury, December 16, 1848.