

The following extract from a letter from Fredericksburg by an officer in Gen. Lee's army, relates a pleasant incident in camp life, which no doubt helped materially to relieve its monotony:

I must tell you of an agreeable episode in our camp life, which occurred a few days since. It is acknowledged that the Federals, with all their faults, have some capital bands in their ranks. Recently, one of these organizations came down to the river side opposite Fredericksburg. They gathered in large numbers to listen, with a variety of popular pieces, in the best style. Applause from the audience on each side followed. The band then struck up "Dixie," and executed it in a credible manner. At its conclusion, our soldiers sent up such a shout as made the welkin ring. This was followed by "Yankee Doodle," when a burst of applause from the Federals followed. Finally, the band played "Home, Sweet Home," a melody which all could feel and appreciate; and when it was finished, such a shout went up from both armies as I doubt has ever been heard on earth. I looked around me, and saw tears coursing down many a furrowed and battle-worn cheek, and if the frantic cheers that went up from the other side of the river were any criterion, our neighboring enemies were as much affected.

A Brave Boy.—A correspondent of the *Wilmington Journal* furnishes the following to that paper:

In the recent expedition under Gen. D. H. Hill towards Newbern, Drum Major Henry Nutt, 50th N. C. T., aged 16, a son of John Nutt, Esq., of Wilmington, distinguished himself by coolness and daring.

On Friday evening, the 43rd N. C., Col. Thos. Kenan, commanding, carried the enemy's strongly fortified position at Deep Gully at the point of the bayonet. On Saturday morning, the 3d brigade moved up to Kenan's position and formed line of battle. The Yankees had blockaded the road in front, so that Gen. Hill could not advance his artillery, and skirmishers were ordered out to feel the enemy. Henry volunteered with the skirmishers, who were under the command of Major Van Hook. After driving the enemy's pickets several hundred yards, Van Hook discovered what he supposed was the enemy in force, some five or six hundred yards in his front. From his position he could not determine their number, and he could not advance without exposing his whole command to a cross fire of grape and canister. In this position he called for a volunteer to go forward, find out their numbers and report to him. Young Nutt sprang forward, volunteered his services, and went within seventy-five yards of the enemy, where he ascertained their number, walked coolly back and made his report to the Major. That report cost several Yankees their lives, as our artillery was turned on the point indicated by young Nutt.

Pretty good for a sixteen year old.

A True Man.—Thomas S. Edwards, of Haywood county, made last year a surplus of 2000 bushels of corn, for which he was offered \$3 per bushel. He refused to take it, and is now selling it to the families of soldiers at 75 cents a bushel. Look at him reader! Don't it do you good in the midst of a world of extortioners and thieves to find one man with a soul in his body? We understand also that Col. Cathey of the same county is furnishing the families of soldiers flour at \$5 a hundred, while almost everybody else is asking \$20. Well may Haywood be proud of such sons. May Heaven bless them!—*Ashville News.*

Fond of a Bone.—Place a bone in the earth near a root of a grape, and the vine will send out a leading root directly to the bone. In its passage it will make no fibres; but when it reaches the bone, the root will entirely cover it with the most delicate fibres, like lace, each one seeking a pore of the bone. On this bone the vine will continue to feed as long as nutriment remains to be exhausted.

...of the Episcopate, however, was only joking when he wrote the following: "I feel it my duty to tell you some of the officers and soldiers in Virginia. I know I promised to say nothing about it, but I have too high a respect for the wives and sweethearts of the soldiers and it must 'out.' The whole matter is that some of our soldiers who have wives and children at home have married again among the Virginians. The sweet lovely damsels of the Valley and Fredericksburg little think as they take these gay young gentlemen 'for better or for worse' that they have left other devoted wives and prattling chaps behind. An instance of this kind was a short time ago. A 'nice young Lieutenant of a Louisiana Regiment wrote a very long endearing letter to his wife and children in Louisiana, and about the same time wrote a most affectionate loving letter to his newly married bride who was staying a few miles away from camp, and accidentally but unfortunately for him, he sent the wrong letter to each, so that his lovely bride got the letter intended for the wife of his 'buzum' and she the other. I guess that made a 'fuss in the family,' if not in both families."

IRISH POTATOES.—As the seed of this important and excellent vegetable are not very abundant, it may be a valuable fact to some persons to know that this potato can be raised, like sweet potatoes, from the slips, and in this way, the same quantity of seed will plant ten times the usual ground. The early slips should be planted separately from the late ones, so that in graveling the larger potatoes the roots of the smaller ones will not be broken and the beds thus damaged.

This plan of cultivating the vegetable has been very successfully followed in some portions of the State, and with the present scarcity of seed, might be advantageously adopted by planters every where. There is no vegetable more valuable than the Irish potatoe and few more easy to keep through the winter months. It should receive special attention so long as we have an army to supply.—*Danville Register.*

FRENCH POLICY.

"Ora" writes to the *Mobile Advertiser & Register*: A distinguished gentleman, with whom I have been acquainted for years, and who has just arrived from Paris by the way of Havana and Nassau, informs me that just before he left Paris he was informed confidentially, and from a most reliable source, that Louis Napoleon had fully determined to interfere with American affairs, and that if his proposition to the Abolition Government was refused, he should at once acknowledge the independence of the Confederacy, and proceed to open the blockade of our ports.

It was further stated that Napoleon was determined to have his Cotton and tobacco, even at the expense of a war with the Abolition Government, and for this purpose a fleet had sailed ostensibly for the Mexican waters, but which would proceed to New Orleans and demand the opening of the blockade at that port and the Mississippi river, which if not complied with would at once lead to a rupture with the Lincoln dynasty. To show the confidence put in this information, several gentlemen had left Paris for Havana to await the issue, and the appearance of the fleet at New Orleans is daily looked for.

From the Richmond Examiner. The Legislature of Virginia has passed a law prohibiting the cultivation of more than 2,500 plants of Tobacco to each hand. This law can only avail the purpose proposed by the aid of the people in its execution. It is the duty of every patriot in Virginia not merely to obey this law, but to see that his neighbor obeys it. Let every man see to it that this law on the book is also a law in operation. The want of breadstuffs occasions the law. It is the part of every true man to see that the law occasions an increase of breadstuffs. The people of this Commonwealth have shown too devoted a spirit in all other sacrifices for the cause in which we are embarked, to leave us cause to doubt that they will cheerfully make this additional offering to the country. If any one falters, the law must be rigidly enforced upon him. The temptation to individual departure from the rule is increased just in proportion to its general observance.

Good Yeast.—A half pint of corn meal, make into a batter with equal parts of sweet milk and warm water; add a large spoonful of brown sugar, and a little yeast; when well risen, add corn meal sufficient to make it almost dry; then spread on a large dish and put in the shade to dry. Keep in a close bag. One handful is the quantity to be used when you make up bread.

Valuable Invention.—Mr. J. J. Chaplin, foreman of the Book bindery connected with our Institution, has added an improvement to his ruling machine, by which both sides of the paper can be ruled at the same time without any extra trouble, and with the same rapidity that one side can be ruled. The invention is entirely original with Mr. C., and can be added to any ordinary ruling machine at a cost of but a few dollars.—*Deaf Mute Casket.*

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All communications on business connected with this Office, should be addressed to PETER ADAMS, Secretary, Greensboro, N. C., June 19, 1860. 174

DENTAL NOTICE.
W. F. Bason, M. D.
DENTIST.
WOULD respectfully make known that he has retained his DENTAL ROOMS in Salisbury.
N. B. As it will not suit him to remain all the time, those calling in his absence, will be notified of his absence by leaving their names in the letter Box attached to the door of the Office or by addressing him through the Post Office, at this place. Dec. 1st, 1863. [129

Chance for a Profitable Investment.
STEAM DISTILLERY FOR SALE.

THE SUBSCRIBERS INTENDING TO remove from the State, offer for sale their well known Distillery property, situated in the county of Rowan, just beyond the corporate limits of the Town of Salisbury. It comprises a building used for a Distillery, in complete order, with a steam engine, nearly new of
Sixty Horse Power,
and all the other machinery necessary for a
300 Bushel House.

Also, a three story rectifying house, grainery Ware-house, Malt house, office, Cooper shop, and three comfortable Dwelling houses—situated in a grove of
23 1-2 Acres of Ground.
To persons wishing to embark in a profitable enterprise a chance is now offered which rarely occurs. The property will be shown to persons desiring to purchase by the subscribers, or in their absence by Capt. A. Myers, whose office is adjoining Cowan's brick house.
Terms will be accommodating.
M. & E. MYERS
Jan. 19, 1863. 1235

A CARD.
I AM authorized by the Surgeon General of North Carolina, to vaccinate the citizens of Salisbury and the surrounding country, free of charge. Seals from all arms vaccinated but once, will be thankfully received.
I will at all times be found at my Office between the hours of twelve and two. Office, two doors below M. Brown's office and opposite the Mansion Hotel.
J. A. CALDWELL, M. D.
Salisbury, Dec. 29, 1862. 1139

LUMBER.
THE subscriber, living near Leard Station, in Burke county, is prepared to furnish any amount of sap lumber, delivered on board the cars, at \$1.50 per hundred. Heart lumber as per contract. Orders addressed to him at Happy Home, Burke county, N. C., will receive prompt attention.
T. L. C. DONALDSON.
March 17, 1862. 1166

JAMES HORAH,
Watch-Maker and Jeweler,
One door below R. A. Murphy's Store,
SALISBURY, N. C.,

KEEPS constantly on hand large assortment of WATCHES and JEWELRY of all kinds.
Clocks, Watches and Jewelry of every description repaired in the best manner and on the most reasonable terms.
February 14, 1863. 1128

CHILD'S PRIMER.
WE have a newly printed and highly useful PRIMER for children. Price, 8 copies for one dollar, sent by mail post paid.
WATCHMAN OFFICE.
C. S. MILITARY PRISON, Salisbury, N. C., Sept. 29th, 1862. }

REWARD of thirty dollars, (\$30) will be paid for the arrest, and safe delivery of every deserter, from the Confederate States Army, at this post, or fifteen dollars for the arrest, and safe confinement, of any deserter, in any Jail, of the different counties, so they can be secured by the military authorities.
HENRY MCCOY,
Capt. & A. Q. M.
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MONEY LOST!
LOST on Thursday the 26th March at the sale of the late Rufus Johnston, three twenty dollar bills, Confederate money. The finder of the money will be liberally rewarded if returned to me or at this office. I understand that a man was seen to pick up money within three feet of me. Said individual will find it to his interest to see me and make the matter right.
D. C. COLLEY.
March 30 1863. 31pd45

STRAY MULE.—There is a stray black mare MULE at my house in Concord, N. C.
MARGARET BROWN.
March 22, 1863. [245

A child beginning to read becomes delighted with a newspaper, because he reads of names and things which are very familiar, and will make progress accordingly. A newspaper in one year is worth a quarter of schooling to a child, and every father must consider that substantial information is connected with advancement.

A mind, occupied become fortified against the ills of life, and is braced for any emergency. Children amused by reading and study are, of course, more considerate and more easily governed. How many thoughtless young men have spent their evening in a dissipation which ought to have been reading? How many parents, who have not spent twenty dollars for books for their families, would have given thousands to reclaim a son or daughter who had ignorantly and thoughtlessly fallen into temptation.

A lady asked the Rev. John Newton, what was the best rule for female dress and behavior. "Madam," said he, "so dress and so conduct yourself that persons who have been in your company shall not recollect what you had on." This will generally be the case where singularity of dress is avoided, and where intelligence of mind and gentleness of manners are cultivated.

"If you wish to make a shoe of durable material," said the facetious Lanesboro, "you should take the upper part of the mouth of a hard drinker, for that never lets in water."

Receiver's Sale.
WILL BE OFFERED AT PUBLIC SALE the following tracts or parcels of land, belonging to alien enemies, now decreed and condemned by the Confederate Court to the use of the Confederate States of America, at the following times and places, to wit:
At the Court-house in Salisbury, on the 4th day of May next, it being County Court week, FIVE TRACTS in Rowan County, containing about 526 acres, the property of Charles Hartman, Jesse Hartman, Mary Ann Hartman, Malinda Hartman and three other Brothers and girls named, Nancy Hartman, and Catharine Wilhelm, (alien enemies) and given in by Levi Trexler.
ALSO, at the same time and place, two tracts near Gold Hill containing 144 acres, the property of R. F. Stockton an alien enemy.

At the Court-house in Lexington, Davidson County, on the 15th day of April next, three tracts, containing 45 acres, belonging to Almon Goble; one tract containing 54 acres, belonging to the wife of Jos. Brown of Indiana; and one other tract containing 26 acres, belonging to Susan Lookabee; two tracts well known as the Conrad Gold Mines, will also be exposed to public sale together with a large, first-rate Engine, at the Mine on the 14th April next.
At the Court-house in Winston, Forsyth County, on the 17th day of April next one tract containing 126 acres, belonging to J. W. Fulp and wife.
JOHN I. SHAVER, Receiver.

March 9th, 1863. 4-43
The Charlotte Bulletin will insert one week (daily) Salem Press 4 weeks, and send bill to Watchman Office.

SOUTHERN FIELD & FIRESIDE.
SUBSCRIPTIONS ADVANCED TO \$4 PER YEAR.

OWING to a further advance in the price of paper and the limit put upon our supply, the Proprietor respectfully announces that from and after the 1st of MARCH, the price of the FIELD AND FIRESIDE will be as follows:
For one year.....\$4
For six months.....\$2
No deductions made to clubs, and no subscriptions received for less than six months.—Postmasters will be allowed 20 per cent. as heretofore.
Increased exertions will be used to make the paper attractive. The charming story—
"THE RANDOLPHS, OF RANDOLPH HALL,"
will be completed in the 10th number. Back numbers, containing this interesting romance, can be supplied. In the same number will be commenced the thrilling *Prize Novelle*, of
INDIA MORGAN,
or
THE LOST WILL.

This will run through several numbers of the paper, and will be accompanied by original Tales, Essays and Poems by the best writers in the country. As only a fixed supply of paper can be had, the edition is limited, and those wishing to secure this favorite family paper would do well to subscribe early.
In making remittances be particular to state the Post Office, County and State, and to send no local cheques.
JAMES GARDNER,
Augusta, Ga.
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The high Bred Horse MEDLEY.
WILL stand the ensign wagon at Lexington and Linwood (Jesse's) Davidson County, N. C. For beauty, symmetry and strength unequalled, for grace and docility in harness unequalled, and one of the few with a dip of the odd Medley blood. \$20 the season; \$30 insurance. Mares from a distance furnished with excellent pastures at both places, gratis.
W. R. HOLT.
Lexington, March, 1863. 31pd44

TO ALL WHO MAY CONCERN.
TO ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO US!
ALL persons indebted to the firm of A. & W. Myers and A. Myers, are hereby respectfully requested to settle their respective obligations either in person or by letter, without needless delay. They will thus save interest and the inconvenience of payment when money may be less abundant than at present. I hope the friends of the late firm will not require longer indulgence, but respond to the urgent call, as it is necessary that the business should be closed with as little delay as possible.
A. MYERS,
Office next to Cowan's Brick Row, Salisbury, March 20, 1863. 1745

RUNAWAY—A Liberal Reward.
RUNAWAY from the subscriber about the 10th February last, CALVIN, or CAL, a negro boy of black complexion, about 16 years old, medium size of his age. He belongs to the estate of Solomon Hall, deceased, and is supposed to be harbored by some of the negroes of that estate, which are hired to persons in Iredell, Davis and Rowan. A liberal reward will be paid for his confinement in some jail, or for his delivery to me.
W. L. STEEL,
Rowan Mills, N. C.,
March 20, 1863. 1745

\$30 REWARD.
THE above reward will be given for the delivery of H. W. Overcash, a private of Company D, 34th N. C. Troops, at the prison in Salisbury. Said private having deserted his Company on the 21st February, 1863.
W. L. J. LOWRANCE,
Col. 34th N. C. T.,
March 16, 1863. 51pd43

A CARD.
Dr. C. A. Henderson.
Respectfully offers his Professional services to the citizens of Salisbury and surrounding country. Office upstairs at Henderson & Ennis' Drug Store. 1235

OIL, OIL.
ONE BARREL OF TANNER'S OIL for sale, apply to WM. WATSON, 5 miles west of this place. Or at this Office. 1128

RAGS! RAGS!
TEN THOUSAND POUNDS OF RAGS WANTED. Call at the Post Office. Aug. 18, 1862. 13-41

Brown's Livery Stable.
IS kept up as heretofore. It is gratifying to him that the establishment, begun, at first, as a doubtful experiment, has proved to the public a great desideratum and a complete success. Travelers, and others can always have their wants, in this line, well supplied.
Cash prices paid for Provender. And the subscribers is always ready to sell or buy good Horses.
THOMAS E. BROWN.
Jan. 1st, 1863. 1155

Quart. Master's Dept. U.S.A.
Salisbury, N. C., Nov. 10th, '62.
WANTED IMMEDIATELY, for the use of the Army, a large quantity of
CORN, OATS, HAY, SHUCKS, AND STRAW.
Bags will be furnished for Corn and Oats. Hay, Shucks and Straw will be purchased either baled or loose. Apply at my office, in Salisbury.
HENRY MCCOY,
Capt. & A. Q. M.

A VISIT TO SALISBURY IN JUNE, 1863.
PILES, FISTULA, TUMORS, ULCERATIONS OF THE WOMB, SPEYNEA-TORRHED, SYPHILITIC AFFECTIONS, &c.

DR. J. A. CLOPTON, of Huntsville, Alabama, will visit Salisbury, the 15th June, 1863, where he may be consulted for a few days. He has operated with perfect success in Salisbury, Raleigh, and many other points in the State. He has never had an accident to happen, though he has operated in many cases said to have been hopeless by the best distinguished Surgeons of America. 1128

1000 DOG SKINS WANTED.
WANTED 1000 Dog Skins, dry, for which will be paid \$1 for medium size, and smaller ones in proportion. Apply to R. F. Simonton, Stateville, or A. J. Muck, Salisbury. December 8, 1862. 1129

HEADQUARTERS,
Confederate States Prison, Salisbury, Jan. 19, 1863. }
ALL MEMBERS OF CO. (A.) CONFEDERATE STATES PRISON GUARD, are hereby ordered to report to this Company immediately or be considered deserters. Men on sick leave or on furlough are included in the above.
S. B. WATERS, Capt.
1136 Commanding Company A.

LAND FOR SALE!
PERSONS WHO WISH TO buy a good Tract of Land will please call on W. H. SMITH, March 2, 1863. 4117

VALUABLE PROPERTY FOR SALE.
THE subscriber offers for sale in the Town of Newton, a valuable LOT with a large new DWELLING HOUSE, &c., upon it, known as lot No. 10, South-east square, between Rev. J. Lantz and the Court-house. There is a Charter for a Railroad from Dallas to Newton and if built, will make it a considerable place for trade. Any person wishing to purchase can have the opportunity by addressing me at Gold Hill, Rowan, or Rev. John Lantz, Newton, N. C.
JACOB TREXLER,
Feb. 27th, 1863. 4w41