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NEW GOODS.

THE Subscribers inform the Public, that they have just returned from New York, with a general and well selected assortment of

FANCY AND STAPLE

DRY GOODS

Hardware, Crockery, &c

Which they are now opening at their Old Stand, and which they offer at their usual low prices.

The highest prices given for haled and seed Cotton, in payment of debts or in exchange for Goods.

D. RICHARDS.

WM. TANNEHILL.

Tarboro', Oct. 15, 1830.

Mrs. A. C. Howard,

IS now opening her fall supply of Goods, in her line of business, and respectfully solicits her customers and friends to call and examine them—amongst her assortment will be found: Pattern Silk, Velvet, and Dunstable bonnets, latest fashions, Diamond straw Dunstable, plain do. Leghorn and straw bonnets, Elegant turbans, caps, and capes. Changeable silks, for dresses, Plain and fig'd silks and satins, do. Feather'd, velvet, and straw fashions, A great variety of ribbons, &c. &c.

All of which she is disposed to sell at her usual low prices.

Ladies' pelisses, cloaks, dresses, &c. made to order, in the latest and most approved fashions.

Leghorn and straw bonnets bleached, dyed, or trimmed.

Tarborough, Oct. 25, 1830.

Cotton Gins,

Packing Screws, Horse Mills, Chain Bands, and Still Repairing.

THE Subscriber begs leave to inform the public, that he is now building between 15 and 20 COTTON GINS, of good materials, part of which will be steel saws and the ribs or bars fixed with steel.

PACKING SCREWS, of the usual size, and larger than any now in use in the State, and no doubt superior—they will be made in an engine erected for that purpose.

HORSE MILLS will be built at a short notice, on the improved perpendicular plan, or any other.

CHAIN BANDS & WHEELS, of a superior quality, which are extremely well calculated for the propelling of both Gins and Mills.

Persons desiring any of the above articles, will please apply to

JOHN WILSON.

Tarboro', Sept. 1830.

JOHN S. ROBBINS,

RESPECTFULLY informs the inhabitants of Edgecombe and the adjacent counties, that he is now prepared for *Repairing Cotton Gins, making & repairing ridding Chairs, Gigs, &c.* at his shop, about 18 miles from Tarborough, on the waters of Town Creek, near the road leading from James Bridges's to the Widow Taylor's. He will also make Bedsteads, Tables, desks, &c. at the shortest notice. All of which will be done cheap for cash, or on a short credit to punctual customers.

He would refer those having Cotton Gins out of order, to Messrs. Redding Suggs, John R. Scarborough, James Barron, and others, for satisfactory assurances of his ability to repair them.

14 Nov. 1830.

NEW GOODS. King & Gatin,

THE Subscriber takes this method of informing his friends and the public generally, that he has just returned from New York with a splendid assortment of

Fancy Goods,

Well adapted to the Fall and Winter seasons, together with a large supply of

GROCERIES,

Hardware, Cutlery, Crockery and Glassware, &c.

Which he is disposed to sell low for cash or barter. He will give the highest market prices for COTTON, haled or seeded...Corn, beeswax, tallow, &c. in exchange for goods at cash prices, or in payment of debts.

Those wishing to purchase goods at low prices, would do well to call on the Subscriber at the Post-office, one door below the store of R. & S. D. Cotton, and next door to Mrs. Gregory's Hotel.

N. H. ROUNTREE.

Tarboro', Oct. 4, 1830.

HILL'S FERRY.

THE Subscriber informs all those wishing to send Cotton to Hill's Ferry to be shipped to Norfolk, that his Warehouses will be open for the

Reception of Cotton,

By the 1st of October next.

Having been appointed Agent for Mr. JAMES GORDON, he promises to give his personal attention to the receiving and delivery of such articles as may be forwarded to him, and Cotton sent to him to be shipped to Norfolk shall meet with all possible dispatch.

Storage of Cotton, 12½ cents per bale—all other articles in proportion.

WHITMEL H. ANTHONY.
Palmyra, N. C. Sept. 28, 1830. 7

FOR SALE,

BY the Subscribers, two excellent second-hand COTTON GINS, which are now in good order and ready for use. They will be sold on moderate terms.

D. RICHARDS & CO.

Nov. 8, 1830.

\$25 REWARD.

RAN AWAY from the Subscriber, about the 8th inst. negro man HARRY—Harry is a bright mulatto, (half white,) with large freckles, between thirty and thirty-five years of age, near six feet high, and weighs about one hundred and seventy pounds; he is a good ditcher and well acquainted with all kinds of work usually done on a farm; he is a very intelligent ingenious fellow, well calculated to pass himself for a free man, which no doubt he will attempt to do; he is well known in this county, particularly in this and the neighborhood of the late Lemmon Ruffin, Esq. where he has a wife. The above reward will be paid on the delivery of the said Harry to me near Sparta, Edgecombe county, No. Ca. if taken within this State, or Fifty Dollars if taken without this State—and Fifty Dollars will be paid for evidence to convict any white person of harboring said negro on conviction.

RICH'D. HINES.

16th Nov. 1829. 13

The Establishment of the NORTH-CAROLINA JOURNAL, IS FOR SALE.

THIS OFFICE is well found in all the materials and furniture necessary for conducting a Newspaper. It has two good Presses; and besides the type in common use, it has a quantity of Ornamental, Job and other type, entirely new. The patronage of the Journal is respectable, and might be much extended.

To a competent person, who would devote a portion of his time and talents to the management of this establishment, it holds out fair prospects of handsome remuneration.

Persons disposed to purchase, will apply to the Editor for terms, which will be liberal and accommodating.

Edgecombe, Oct. 27.

MERCHANT TAILORS,

WISH to inform their friends and customers, that they have just received from New-York, a new and handsome assortment of Goods in their line of business, suitable for the season...such as...

Superfine blue and black cloths, Brown, olive and steel mixtures, An assortment of Casimeres, Bang-up cord suitable for riding pantaloons,

Plain black and fig'd velvets for vests, Plain black and fancy silks for do. Dark and light cold valencias, Plain white and fig'd quiltings, Cotton flannel for draws and shirts, Patent suspenders, pocket handkerchiefs,

White and fancy cravats, black silk do. Buckskin gloves, cravat stiffeners.

Together with a complete assortment of TRIMMINGS, all of which they are disposed to sell low.

Gentlemen's clothing made up at the shortest notice, and in the neatest and most fashionable style.

Tarboro', Oct. 13, 1830.

CAUTION.

SOMETIME in the month of March last, a man calling himself ALEXANDER J. MAURICE, came to this place, professing to be a Universalist Preacher, and as such, was cordially received by the friends of Universalism. Some short time after his arrival, his friends becoming his surer, he was engaged to purchase one half of the Printing Press, Types, and other materials used in the office of the *Carolina Sentinel*, together with some other articles, amounting in all to about \$1800. Scarcely have six months elapsed, when this same unprincipled scoundrel has shamefully absconded, and left his friends to pay his debts. Since his departure from this place, we have heard of his having carried away a gold watch entrusted to his care by a lady in the country, for the purpose of having it repaired in this place; of his endeavoring to pass a note for \$500; of his purchasing several watches on the eve of his departure, for which he gave his notes; of his borrowing several sums of money, and finally leaving his tavern bill unpaid.

This notice is therefore to caution the public, (particularly in Philadelphia and New-York, where he has been seen,) to discountenance such a villain.

Said ALEXANDER J. MAURICE is about five feet five inches high, dark complexion, black hair and grey eyes, with a very prominent forehead.

C. R. GREENE,

EDWD. S. JONES.

Newbern, N. C. Dec. 21, 1830.

Prospectus of the

NORTH-CAROLINA

SENTINEL.

THE undersigned announces to his former subscribers and the public, that he will, in a few weeks, resume the publication of the NORTH-CAROLINA SENTINEL. He has been induced to this determination by the discontinuance of the paper on the part of its late Editor, and the improbability that its publication would be undertaken by any other person. He is already sufficiently familiar with the responsibilities and inadequate support connected with a Press in Newbern, and in again subjecting himself to their operation, he yields more to a sense of duty, than to any hope of pecuniary emolument. His expectations will be realized if the business affords but a moderate profit; and this, he trusts, will be secured by the kindness of his friends.

That the Sentinel may be rendered more acceptable to its readers, the Editor is making arrangements to issue it on an imperial sheet, with a handsome new type. If a corresponding improvement should not be effected in the general character of the Paper, the deficiency will be attributable to the imperfect qualifications of the Editor. His judgment, however deficient, will be honestly applied to the promotion of what he conceives to be the public good.

CONDITIONS.

The *North-Carolina Sentinel* will be published once a week, on an imperial sheet, with a handsome new type, procured for the purpose.

The subscription will be *Three Dollars* per annum, payable in six months from the time of subscribing.

Advertisements inserted on the customary terms.

THOMAS WATSON.

Newbern, December, 1830.

DOMESTIC.

Census of North-Carolina.

—We have the pleasure of presenting to our readers in today's Register, an exhibit showing the present total population of the State, and the number of inhabitants in each county, respectively. We are indebted for this information to the Marshal of the District, who has permitted us to consult the returns filed in his Office.

Counties. Population.

Anson,	14,081
Ashe,	6,991
Burke,	17,727
Bertie,	12,276
Buncombe,	16,259
Brunswick,	6,523
Bladen,	7,801
Beaufort,	10,949
Columbus,	4,141
Currituck,	8,796
Carteret,	6,607
Caswell,	15,188
Camden,	6,721
Craven,	13,735
Cabarrus,	8,796
Chowan,	6,688
Cumberland,	14,324
Chatham,	15,199
Duplin,	11,373
Davidson,	13,421
Edgecombe,	14,933
Franklin,	10,665
Gates,	7,866
Guilford,	18,735
Granville,	19,345
Greene,	6,313
Halifax,	17,738
Hyde,	6,177
Hertford,	8,541
Haywood,	4,593
Jones,	5,628
Johnston,	10,938
Iredell,	15,262
Lincoln,	22,625
Lenoir,	7,635
Moore,	7,753
Montgomery,	10,912
Martin,	8,544
Macon,	5,390
Mecklenburg,	20,076
Nash,	8,492
Northampton,	13,103
New-Hanover,	10,759
Onslow,	7,314
Orange,	23,875
Pasquotank,	8,616
Perquimans,	7,417
Person,	10,027
Pitt,	12,174
Richmond,	9,326
Rutherford,	17,557
Robeson,	9,355
Randolph,	12,400
Rockingham,	12,920
Rowan,	20,796
Stokes,	16,196
Surry,	14,501
Sampson,	11,768
Tyrrell,	4,732
Washington,	4,563
Wilkes,	11,912
Warren,	11,877
Wake,	20,417
Wayne,	10,326

Total, in 1830, 733,470
do. in 1820, 638,329

Increase, 99,641

Our total population, it will be seen, is 733,470. If the ratio of Representation be fixed by Congress, at 45,000, we shall gain an additional member in that body; if 50,000 be designated as the basis, we shall lose one. In 1820, the enumeration presented a total of 638,329 souls; so that the last ten years presents an increase of 99,641, being rather more than fifteen per cent.

The increase of whites is 53,233—of slaves, 41,545—of free persons of color, 4,863. The total number of whites is 472,433—of slaves, 246,462—of free colored, 19,575.

Of the augmentation which has taken place in our population, by far the greatest proportion has accrued in the counties West of this City. The increase in that portion of the State, may be stated at about 71,000 while in the Eastern section it has amounted only to about 23,000!

We gather from the returns the astonishing fact, that there are in the State, 1466 individuals who are both deaf and dumb! Of these, 615 are white, and 851 are colored.

We were equally surprized to find, that there are in North Carolina, 304 persons who have attained to the age of 100 years and upwards! Of these, 49 only are white—the remaining 255, being colored persons! What stronger evidence than this could be adduced to prove, that constant labor and humble fare, whilst they promote health, also contribute to lengthen out the span of man's existence.—*Raleigh Reg.*

The Weather.—We learn by one of our citizens who returned yesterday from Body's Island, where he has been attending a wreck sale, that the persons on the beach suffered much from the severity of the weather. Eight small vessels which were employed to take down passengers, were cut through by the ice and sunk; and five men in attempting to cross New Inlet in a boat, were carried out among the breakers by the tide and perished. They were inhabitants of the North Banks, and have left five widows and nineteen children in a destitute situation.

Eliz. City Star.

Coins of the United States.—Mr. SANFORD'S REPORT in the Senate, on the 15th of December, on the state of the coins, and on the amendments which may be expedient in the laws concerning them, states the currency of the country to amount to 85 millions, consisting of 77 millions of bank notes, and 8 millions of coins; there are, besides, 15 millions, of coins estimated to be held by the banks; in all 100 millions. Though gold is constantly coined at the mint, we have no gold coins in circulation. This result arises from too low a valuation of gold compared with silver, which was established in 1792, on the principle that one pound of gold is equal in value to fifteen pounds of silver. This valuation, which was originally too low, is still more so now; the consequence is, that our gold coins have ceased to be used as money; they are purchased as merchandise, at a considerable premium over silver; and are used in manufactures or exported to Europe. This inconvenience (for it is such, may be remedied, and the use of both species of coins secured, by adjusting the legal relative value of the two metals according to their relative market value.