



**TARBOROUGH:**

SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 1851.

FOR THE TARBORO' PRESS

Mr. Editor: We respectfully recommend *Thomas A. Macnair*, to the voters of the town for Commissioner at the ensuing election.

Mr. Macnair is one of our most energetic, intelligent and practical citizens, and will make a capital officer if elected.

MANY CITIZENS.

March 28, 1851.

**Robinson & Eldred's Circus.**

The lovers of fun and merriment, as well as those who delight in witnessing astonishing feats of strength and agility, will again have an opportunity of indulging themselves in a few days, as will be seen in our advertising columns, by attending the magnificent and mammoth Circus of these enterprising Proprietors, who merit the most extensive patronage, by their unwearied exertions to please the public.

**Murder of Tilghman Hunt.**

We have had various rumors of the arrest of Pitt, in New York—and of a fellow by the name of Brannegan, who accompanied him from Rocky Mount—but the most reliable information we have of their movements, after being seen in New York on Monday 17 ult. is that they then separated, Pitt sailing in the Ohio for California a day or two afterwards.

We glean the following additional facts relative to this murder, from the Fayetteville Carolinian of the 22d ult. They rest upon the testimony of a negro man, by name Damon, the property of Hunt. He says, that on the night of the 3d ult, the party, consisting of his master, Pitt, the young man from Edgecombe in his employ, supposed at first to have been the murderer, and a company of negroes, composed of three or four women, a child, and himself, encamped a mile or two beyond the limits of the town of Fayetteville, on the road leading towards Rockfish Creek; that, on that night, he murdered his master, by striking him with the edge of a sharp axe, first upon the top of his head, and then across the face, that he committed this deed at the instance of Pitt, who promised, by way of remuneration, that he would share with him the spoils, and carry him to a Free State, and that they sewed up the body, together with some heavy stones, in a tent-cloth, proceeded with all hands on their journey, and upon coming to Rockfish, threw the body into a deep place, where, on account of the weight of the stones, it sunk.

It seems that the party then proceeded to Elizabeth, Bladen County, where Pitt bought two horses and a negro, and was otherwise lavish of money. Their next appearance was at Rocky Mount, an account of Pitt's doings at which place, and his exit northward therefrom, has been already given. The negroes have been carried to Fayetteville and lodged in the jail. When the news of Damon's confession reached that place, a Coroner's Jury was empanelled, which proceeded to the place on Rockfish described by the negro, and on dragging with hooks, the dead body was brought forth, carried to the town, and identified as that of Hunt, by three highly respectable gentlemen. The verdict was, that "the deceased came to his death by blows inflicted by some person or persons unknown to them."

The watch of the deceased was left in his pocket, and the place of the murder has been discovered by marks of blood.

**Declaration of Independence.**—The following is an extract from a letter of a North Carolina Correspondent of the *Southern Baptist*. The development which it makes is certainly very interesting. It would be strange, if after all that

has been said, Pitt should take from Mecklenburg the glory which has formerly attached to the latter, as having been the first to declare her independence of the British Crown. We would be pleased to know something more of this matter, and will feel greatly indebted to any friend in Pitt, who will favor us with a copy of the proceedings of the meeting referred to, together with an account of the attending circumstances, in case they can be ascertained. It is somewhat surprising that the *Charlotte Journal* publishes this extract without comment:

"There are many interesting incidents interwoven with the history of Eastern North Carolina—Not the least among them is a fact recently brought to light in the records of Pitt County. While collecting materials for the North Carolina Gazetteer at the Court House in Greenville, I read the proceeding of a popular meeting in the county town, declaring their independence to the crown of Great Britain, and their determination to be free. This declaration was made months prior to the declaration in Mecklenburg county, which has generally been regarded as the first declaration of independence in America. Thus we see that the people of Pitt county have the honor of being the first to set up the Standard of independence of British authority on this side of the Atlantic."—*Goldsboro' Telegraph.*

We call the attention of our readers to the Advertisement of Mr. Wm. E. Steward, Saddle, harness and Buggy Depot, opposite Powell's Hotel, Petersburg, Va. Mr. Steward has enlarged and refitted his Establishment in a manner not often seen South, and makes every style of Saddle and harness now in use, and keeps a large supply of Fly Nets, Winter and Summer horse Covers, English and American head and Reins, Travelling and hand Trunks, Carpet Bags, Bitts, Stirrups, Spurs, &c. He can furnish Saddlers and others with harness mounting in Setts or otherwise. His buggies are manufactured by the principal Coach makers in the City, each maker guaranteeing to purchasers the faithful performance of their Carriages, which will be sold from his Store at their manufactured prices

*Halifax Rep.*

**Rosin Oil.**—The New York correspondent of the *Charleston Evening News*, says that "Michael Reilly, Esq., of Boston, has expended a very large amount of money in the construction of a very large factory at Staten Island, for the manufacture of Oil from Rosin. It has not yet gone into operation, but I am told that the oil made by Mr. Reilly's improved process is equal to the best sperm oil, and is clear as amber, and perfectly free from any offensive odor. I mention this new manufacture because serious fears have been entertained that the whale fisheries are nearly run out on account of the scarcity of whales, and that soon we should be entirely without oil for the purpose of light, lubrication, &c. The oil from rosin is offered at less than two-thirds the price of whale oil, and cannot but come into general use, to the manifest advantage of the rosin makers of North Carolina and Alabama. The article made at the works of Michael Reilly, Esq., has none of the offensive smell common to oil heretofore made from rosin."—*Wilmington Journal.*

**The first Fugitive Slave Case in Pittsburg—Pittsburg, March 13.**—Richard Gardner a colored man, was arrested yesterday in Bridgewater, Beaver county, and brought to Pittsburg this morning. He was immediately taken before Judge Irwin, of the U. S. Circuit Court, and claimed by Benjamin S. Rust, agent for Miss R. Byers, of Louisville, Ky., as her property. Wm. Reed, former guardian of Miss Byers, testified that the negro escaped in June last. He was positive. Reverend Perk, a colored preacher, swore he knew him three years as an exhorter in the colored Methodist Church. Reverend Green, a colored preacher, knew him in September of 1848. After the testimony was taken, and the case finally argued, the Judge remanded the prisoner, and he was handcuffed and placed in custody of Mr. Rust, agent for the owner. A good deal of feeling was manifested, but no signs of disorder.

**The Result of Bad Taste.**—A New York letter chronicles the following: "A queer case came up yesterday before Justice McGrath, of the lower police. A young man by the name of William Hoyt, jeweller, 17 Hester st., was brought up on a charge of seduction. The fair complainant was a colored lady, black as

the ace of spades, named Henrietta Teazler. She produced a black baby in evidence, etc. A good many woolly heads in court, looking to see that justice was done to the fair Henrietta. The poor devil of a papa looked daggers, but there was no getting off!—The justice decreed that he should pay \$1.50 per week, for the support of the papoose, and \$15 for costs of suit."

**List of Letters,**

Remaining in the Post Office at Tarboro', the 1st of April 1851, which if not taken out before the 1st of July next, will be sent to the General Post Office as dead letters.

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| Andrews Henry       | Jenkins J D        |
| Atherage Henry      | Jones Calvin       |
| Bellamy F D Miss    | Knight Martha Miss |
| Barnes Eliza'h Mrs  | Lane Mary E Miss 3 |
| Bridgers Edwin B    | Lane Loucinda Miss |
| Bryant F D 2        | Lawrence John      |
| Bryant H B          | Little Ann Miss    |
| Barlow David 2      | Mabry Dellar Miss  |
| Bullock Joshua K    | Mabery Baker       |
| Blossom J K         | Moore Moses        |
| Bowen N P Miss      | Moore Joseph       |
| Bell Jonas J        | Morgane Gray       |
| Baker Moses         | Morgane Nancy Mrs  |
| Burhans Samuel Dr   | Moore Isiriah      |
| Barnes Wright       | Owen James         |
| Closs William Rev   | Pitt John R        |
| Cherry S E J Miss 3 | Pittman Readan     |
| Cherry Lunsford R   | Rives John G       |
| Dixon B D           | Roberson John      |
| Dew Zachariah       | Staton Henry L     |
| Downing Henry       | Shurley Henry      |
| Dennis Charles A    | Smart John T       |
| Edwards M P         | Squires Canada     |
| Green Martha Mrs    | Sessans W W        |
| Guy Miles 2         | Staton Ben Dr      |
| Garrett John J      | Stallings Cathren  |
| Higgs Joseph        | Travathan M Miss   |
| Hawkins Jesse 3     | Temple William Rev |
| Harriss Solomon     | Thigpen James      |
| Jenkins James F     | Thorn Battle       |
| Jenkins J H         | Wills Willis       |
| Jenkins M E Miss    | William Henry      |

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S. E. MOORE, P. M



**Wm. E. Steward's SADDLERY, HARNESS & BUGGY SHOP**  
OPPOSITE POWELL'S HOTEL,  
Petersburg, Va.

HAVING permanently located in the City of Petersburg, offers for sale, of his own manufacture, every article usually called for in a Saddlery Establishment, at wholesale as well as retail.

My Stock of Saddlery Hardware is large and complete, of all the new style Patterns now in use—can furnish saddlers and others Harness Mounting in setts or otherwise. My Buggies are manufactured by the principal Coach makers in the City, each maker guaranteeing to purchasers the faithful performance of their Carriages, and will sell from my Store at their manufactured prices.

Having enlarged my Establishment and have in my employ a very strong and efficient force, feel prepared and determined to sell as good an article as any house north or south, and pledge myself to give entire satisfaction. I feel truly grateful to my friends in North Carolina, for their many favors with a liberal encouragement and will use every honorable means in building up Southern manufactures, having the skill and mechanism, solicit and need only encouragement to compete with any manufacturer north or east—merchants wanting saddles by the case can be supplied at short notice—Coach makers that do not manufacture harness can buy of me by the quantity.  
Petersburg, April 2, 1851.



**STRABANE FOR SALE.**

THE subscriber desirous of removing his Slaves to the South, offers for sale the Farm known as

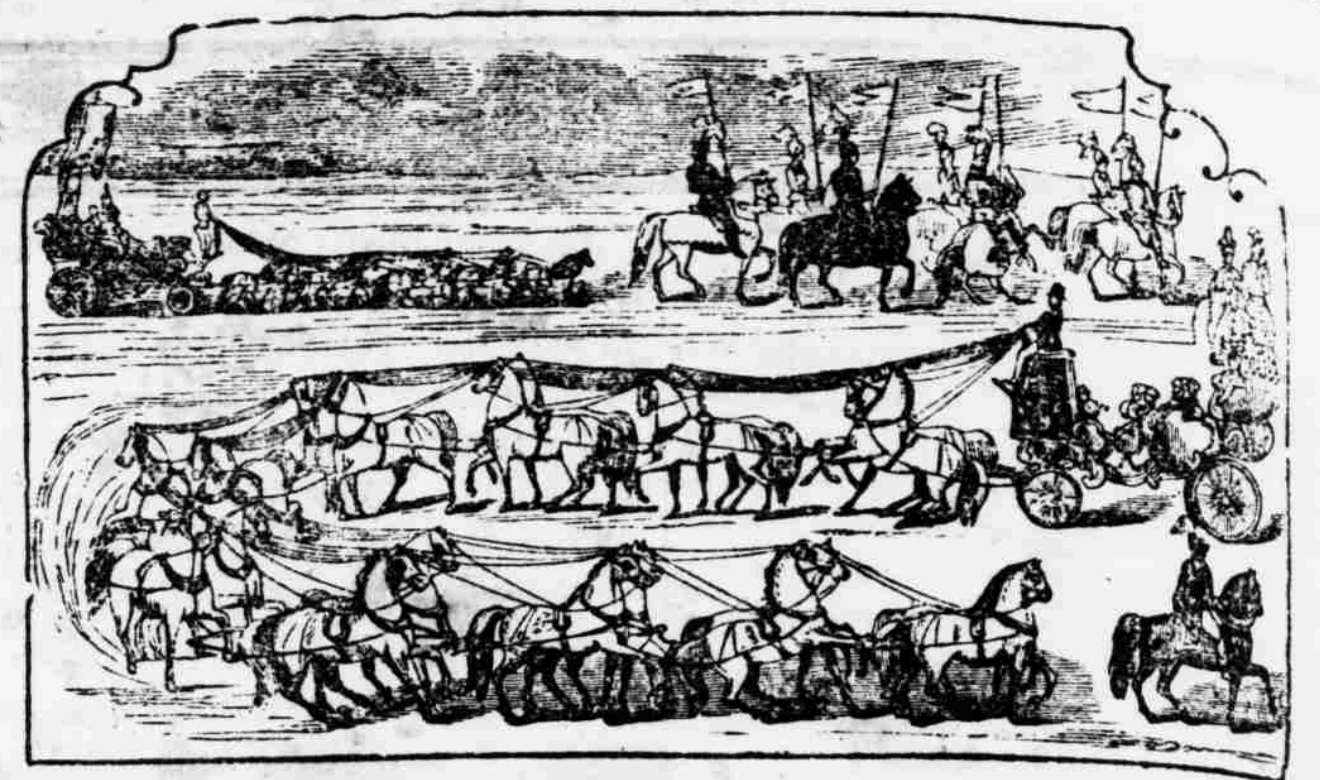
**STRABANE.**

CONTAINING FROM 1000 to 1500 ACRES.

A particular description of the premises is unnecessary, as no one will purchase without examining for himself.

W. F. DANCY.  
Tarborough, Jan. 27, 1851.

**Robinson & Eldred's GREAT SOUTHERN CIRCUS.**



**Six unsurpassed and unrivalled Lady Equestrians, Novelty! Talent! & Attraction! Immense Triumphs!**

ROBINSON & ELDRED beg leave to announce that they will perform at Tarboro' on Wednesday 9th of April, 1851, when, in addition to the talent of the old Company, will be presented to the public a number of Stars of the very first magnitude, in the Equestrian and Gymnastical hemisphere.

Madame LOUISE BROWER, the beautiful, the elegant, the graceful, the daring, from Franconi's Paris, and Astley's, London, will have the honor of appearing.

LAVATER LEE, the World-Renowned, and his Infant Prodigies, have been added to this Company, at an immense expense.

FRANCETTO BROWER, the most Inimitable and Original Clown that ever kept an audience in a roar, is one of the great attractions of this wonderful Troupe, and is admired by all for his originality and humor.

Master JAMES ROBINSON, will once again be proud to appear before his southern friends and patrons. He challenged the north, and has appeared in all the principal cities of the State of New York, and been everywhere hailed as the best Equestrian in the whole world!

Miss HENRIETTA ROBINSON, will also appear in her graceful and elegant acts—together with a Host of Performers, of first-rate ability.

The Proprietors would direct the public attention to the CHARIOT OF THE SUN! a magnificent work of art, constructed at an enormous expense, and worthy of the attention of all. The Paintings are of the most exquisite character, and have immortalized the artist who executed them. The carving and gilding are of the most massive and beautiful description, and the style and design that of the ancient War Chariots of Rome.

The Chariot is drawn by Twenty Beautiful Cream Horses, caparisoned in the most superb style, and driven by the celebrated DOUGLAS BENIAM, well known as the Prince of Charioteers. It conveys the unsurpassed New York Brass Band, led by Mr. R. Willis, so aptly designated the "Apollo of sweet sounds."

Robinson & Eldred pledge themselves that their Company, as now constituted, is the best that ever appeared in Tarborough.

Doors open at one, performance to commence at half-past one. Admission Fifty cents; children and colored persons half-price.

At Stantonsburg the 5th, Wilson 7th, Rocky Mount 8th, Tarborough 9th.

**State of North Carolina.**

William S. Battle, Adm'r of James M. Battle dec'd vs. Jethro Fort, and others—Heirs at Law of James M. Battle dec'd.

In Edgecombe County Court.

Petition for sale of real estate, to pay debts of plaintiff's intestate, filed at February term, 1851.

THE defendant Jethro Fort, is hereby notified, that said petition was duly filed at the time above stated, and that unless he be and appear before the Court aforesaid, at its next term, to be held at the Court House in Tarboro', on the fourth Monday of May next, and then and there plead, answer or demur to plaintiff's petition, judgment *pro confesso* will be entered against him, and the cause heard *ex parte* so far as he is concerned.

Done by order of said Court, at February term, A. D. 1851.

JNO. NORFLEET, Clerk.  
Tarboro', March 25th, 1851.

**State of North Carolina.**

EDGECOMBE COUNTY, William F. Mercer, Adm'r. of James B. Wilkins dec'd.

vs.

Amos Wilkins and others, Heirs at Law of the said James B. Wilkins.

Petition for sale of real estate to pay debts of plaintiff's intestate, filed in the Clerk's office the 31st day of March, 1851.

THE defendant Amos Wilkins, who is believed to be a resident of the State of Texas, is hereby notified that the above mentioned petition was duly filed in my office on the 31st day of March, 1851, and that unless he be and appear before the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, at the Court to be held for the County of Edgecombe, at the Court House in Tarborough, on the fourth Monday of May next, and then and there plead, answer or demur to the same, judgment *pro confesso* will be entered against him, and the cause heard *ex parte* so far as he is concerned.

JNO. NORFLEET, Clerk  
of said Court.

Tarboro', April 1st, 1851.

Constables' Blanks for sale, AT THIS OFFICE.

**State of North Carolina.**

R. H. Austin & Co., vs. Cadar Parker, In Edgecombe County Court, February term, 1851.

Justices' execution for \$25.13, levied on defendant's land.

R. H. Austin & Co., vs. Cadar Parker, In Edgecombe County Court, February term, 1851.

Justice's execution for \$32.67, levied on defendant's land.

THE defendant, Cadar Parker, is hereby notified that the above mentioned Justices' executions were duly returned to February term, 1851, of Edgecombe County Court, with the following return of Constable endorsed thereon, to wit:

"Levied the 20 day of January, 1851, on Cadar Parker's undivided interest in two tracts of land in the county of Edgecombe, adjoining the lands of Bynah Howell, Arthur Parker, and others—no personal property to be found.

Andrew J. Knight, Constable."

And that unless he be and appear at the next term of said Court to be holden on the fourth Monday of May next, at the Court House in Tarboro', and then and there show cause to the contrary, the judgments of the Justice will be affirmed, and the land levied on condemned to be sold to satisfy the said judgments, and the costs in this Court.

Done by order of said Court, February term 1851.

JNO. NORFLEET, Clerk.  
Tarboro', March 25th, 1851.

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W. F. Bason, D. D. S.

WOULD respectfully make known to the citizens of Tarborough and vicinity, that he hopes to see them in due time.

Being known, he deems it unnecessary to say anything more than to congratulate those who have been unfortunate (with these priceless ornaments,) upon the many improvements recently introduced for their relief.

Communications left for, or directed to him before, or immediately after arrival, will be promptly attended to.  
March, 1851.