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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
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And dealers in
DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, HATS, CAPS, BOOTS,
SHOES, FURNITURE, HARDWARE, CUTLERY,
TEA, WARE, CROCKERY, &c.
R. H. Stanton, } Wilmington, N. C.
L. N. Barlow, }

CONSTANTLY on hand, a general assortment of
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GILLESPIE & ROBESON,
AGENTS FOR THE SALE OF
TIMBER, LUMBER, NAVAL STORES, &c.
Will make liberal cash advances on all consignments
of produce.
March 17. 1

CHARLES BLAKESLEE,
(Successor to James Pufferford),
MANUFACTURER AND DEALER IN
Boots and Shoes,
MARKET ST., WILMINGTON, N. C.

BLANKS
PRINTED TO ORDER, AT THE
COMMERCIAL OFFICE.

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SAM'L P. GAUSE,
AGENT FOR THE SALE OF LUMBER,
TIMBER, TURPENTINE, &c.
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COPARTNERSHIP.
THE subscribers have formed a Copartnership
under the firm of McMillan & Co. for the trans-
action of a general retail business at White Hall, Blad-
den County.
DUGALD McMILLAN,
THOS. H. LANE,
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20 BARRELS of Ocean Shad—a superior art-
icle for family use, for sale by
J. MULLOCK.
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SADDLE, HARNESS, AND TRUNK
MANUFACTORY,
Front Street, Wilmington, N. C.
THE subscriber takes this method
of informing his friends and the public gener-
ally, that he has taken the store formerly occu-
pied by Porter and Blakeslee, and immediately opposite
the Chronicle Office, where he is now opening a com-
plete assortment of
Saddles, Bridles, Harness, Trunks, Martingales,
Valises, Carpet and Saddle Bags, Collars,
Whips, Spurs, Bits, &c. &c. &c.
All of which will be warranted of good manufacture
and material, and will be sold low for CASH.
Having long experience in the above business, he
flatters himself that he will be able to render full sat-
isfaction to those who may be disposed to patronize
him.
It is his intention to keep no Books, but to adopt
the CASH SYSTEM, which means he will be
able to furnish articles much cheaper than they have
heretofore been bought in this market.
REPAIRING of all kinds done at the shortest
notice.
JOHN J. CONOLEY.
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3000 BUSHELS, a prime article, afloat and in
Store, for sale by
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BEST Canal Flour, for sale, by
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Factory, for sale by BROWN & DEROSSET.
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TO RENT!
SEVERAL well finished offices, in the fine proof
building on Water Street, over the stores of Smith,
Mitchell & Gude.
That large and convenient Wharf on Eagle's Island,
opposite Town and known as the site of the Phoenix
Distillery, 230 feet front, and running back 1000 feet
with convenient dock, Warehouse 40 by 80 feet, negro
quarters, &c. all in good repair. Apply to H. Nutt,
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A CONSTANT supply on hand, for sale exclusive-
ly upon Manufacturer's account. By
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FOR RENT.
A FINE roomy store, in Mr. Parsley's building,
one door north of the Custom House. For terms
apply to
E. J. LUTTERLOH.
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NEFF & WARNER
HAVE just received per Schra. E. S. Powell and
R. W. Brown,
At their General Ship Chandlery and
Family Grocery Store,
The following supply of GOODS, which they offer
for sale on most accommodating terms, viz:
20 BBL'S. Mess Beef, 20 " Rice do.
20 " Family do. 20 " St. Domingo do.
20 " Packet do. 6 chests Yg. Hyson Tea,
1000 lbs. Smoked Beef, 10 " Black do.
20 1/2 BBL'S. Beef Tongues, 12 boxes Lemon Syrup,
20 " Mess Pork, 10 " Extra " "
20 " Prime do. 10 boxes Sperm Candles
20 boxes Cheese, 20 " Tallow "
40 lbs. Canal Flour, 20 " "
20 " Pilot Bread, 30 kgs Cut Nails, as sizes,
20 " Navy, 100 lbs. Copper Tacks,
20 " Soda Biscuit, 60 kgs No. 1 White Lead,
3 Hbls. Porto Rico Sugar, 40 " Extra " "
6 Hbls. Crushed Sugar, 20 " Black Paint,
100 " Powder, 50 Cans Imperial Green,
1000 lbs. Lard, 30 " Paris "
10 bags Laguira Coffee,
A general assortment of Summer Clothing. A
general assortment of Wood and Willow Ware.
Also, per Schra. Wilmington, and Brig Duffell:
30 boxes Tobacco; 10,000 Spanish Segars, assorted
brands; 2000 American do.
3 casks first rate French Brandy, with Custom House
Certificates, and 5 casks London and Philadelphia
Porter.
All of which we offer for sale on accommodating
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FOR RENT.
A DWELLING on Second between Market and
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ine, well adapted for the accommodation of a small
family. Apply to
J. MULLOCK.
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JUST RECEIVED, and for sale at the Literary
Depot
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A new Novel, by A. J. Requear.
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LIME.—300 Casks fresh Thomaston Lime, just land-
ed, for sale by
SANDFORD & SMITH.
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CORN.—2500 bushels, a prime article, just received
and for sale by
J. MULLOCK.
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BRICK.—25,000 hard Brick, for sale, by
E. J. LUTTERLOH.
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Pork and Corn.
50 BBL'S. City Mess Pork, and 5,000 bushels Corn,
a prime article! For sale, by J. MULLOCK.
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LARD.
25 Kegs Lard, prime article for family use, for sale
low, by
J. MULLOCK.
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6 KEGS Golden Butter, strictly prime, binding this
day, for sale by
BROWN & DEROSSET.
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SADDLES, BRIDLES,
HARNESS, TRUNKS, &c. &c. &c.
THE Subscriber has on hand a general as-
sortment of Goods in his line, together
with Rockwool, Bugles, Trotting Wagons,
and Saddles, all of which he will sell low. Purchasers
are respectfully invited to call at the Old Stand, North
Side of Market Street.
GUY C. HOTCHKISS.
Wilmington, Sept. 25.

AGENCY OF CAPE FEAR STEAM BOAT COMPANY,
March 11, 1846.
THE Cape Fear Steam Boat Com-
pany, having thoroughly placed in
order the favorite Steamer, Cotton
Plant, and are building Lighters of the most approved
style, and peculiarly adapted to the low stages of the
River, are prepared to give despatch to Goods for Fay-
eteville, and the interior, on the most favorable terms.
The load of a new Steamer has been laid, which will
soon be completed, of such light draft of water, as to
suit all stages of the River; and which, in lightness of
draft, will never be surpassed.
Goods will be received and forwarded promptly thro'
Wilmington, free of all charges for Storage, Drayage,
Wharfage, and Commissions; and will be attended to
at Fayetteville, free of Commissions. Goods can be
stored there, up town or at the river, as shippers may
desire.
The Cape Fear Steam Boat Company are deter-
mined to carry Goods on as favorable terms as any other
Company; and from the long experience of their agents
at Wilmington and Fayetteville, have no doubt
of giving their friends entire satisfaction.
R. W. WILKINGS,
Agent at Fayetteville.
ROBT. G. RANKIN,
Agent at Wilmington.
March 17. 1

EMPTY SPIRITS TURPENTINE BBL'S.
A CONSTANT supply of the above barrels for
sale, by
SANDFORD & SMITH.
Aug. 4, 1846. 60

5,000 BUSHELS TURKS' ISLAND SALT
for Sale by
O. G. PARSLEY.
Wilmington, March 19. 24

BILLS OF EXCHANGE.—Price \$1 per quire, for
sale at the
COMMERCIAL OFFICE.
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Linseed Oil.
5 BARRELS Linseed Oil, in Store, for Sale low, by
J. & W. L. MCGARY.
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Copartnership.
THE subscribers have entered into a copartnership,
under the name and firm of HOWARD & PEEDEN,
W. C. HOWARD,
W. N. PEEDEN.
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WHO WISH THEIR BOOKS
BOUND?
FEELING the inconvenience of the closing of
the Book Bindery in Wilmington, we have
made arrangements with a CHARLESTON BINDER
to execute work from this place at Charleston prices!
These having books to bind, in fact, any work that is
executed at a Bindery, can have it done well and ex-
ceptionally, and at 25 per cent. lower than they have
been in the habit of paying, by leaving it at the Of-
fice of THE COMMERCIAL.
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COTTON TWINE.—10 Bales Cotton Sette Twine,
assorted and numbered. Just received and for
sale by
NEFF & WARNER.
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SADDLES AND BRIDLES.
THE above articles are sold at the lowest prices, by
E. PETERSON.
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HAY of good quality, for sale in lots to suit, by
BROWN & DEROSSET.
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PROVISIONS.
50 BBL'S Baltimore and N. Y. Inspection
Mess Beef, 60 " Prime Pork,
50 " " " " " " " "
5 BBL'S Sounds and Tongues, 5 BBL'S No. 1
Masked, 3 BBL'S New Salmon, 10 Qtls. Codfish,
20 Half Bbls. F. M. Beef, and Beef Tongues,
25 Boxes Cheese, 25 Boxes Smoked Herring,
15 Pickles Orange County Butter,
5 Pickles White Beans, 10 BBL'S Kill Dried
Meal, 25 Kegs Lard, 60 BBL'S Salina Salt, &c. &c.
For sale, very low, by
NEFF & WARNER.
Oct. 3. 84

Mess Pork.
25 BARRELS Mess Pork. For sale, by
JOHN GAMMELL.
Sept. 22. 79

50 BARRELS N. O. Whiskey,
30 do. Apple Brandy,
30 do. Spanish Brandy,
10 do. Malaga Wine,
3 Hbls. Sugar,
2,000 lbs. N. C. Bacon,
for sale by
A. MARTIN.
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To the honorable the next General Assembly of North
Carolina.
APPLICATION will be made at your next Session,
under a Charter of Incorporation for a MUTUAL MAR-
INE AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, to be located
in the town of Wilmington.
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LIME.
FRESH Thomaston Lime, in prime order, for sale
by
JOHN GAMMELL.
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HAY.
200 BALES Portland Hay, in Store, for Sale by
J. & W. L. MCGARY.
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NOTICE.
APPLICATION will be made to the ensuing Leg-
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proper authorities to re-organize the Fire Department,
and requiring all Fire persons of color in the town of
Wilmington, to enrol themselves for Fire Duty.
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Pork.
10 BARRELS Mess Pork,
10 do. Prime do.
Landing to-day from Brig David Duffie, for Sale, by
J. & W. L. MCGARY.
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COAL AND HAY.
40 TONS Coal, 25 Bales Hay, Daily expected
per Steer, Joseph Lybman, from Philadelphia,
for sale by
J. MULLOCK.
Sept. 8. 75

REMOVAL.
THE subscriber has removed to the new Store in
North Water Street, two doors above Princess
Street, where he offers for sale, in addition to Goods
before advertised,
150 Bales prime Eastern Hay,
5,000 lbs. Superior North Carolina Bacon,
300 Bushels Cow Peas.
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From the St. George (Brunswick) Chronicle.
LINES
ADDRESS TO "OUR SHOOTERS, THE AMERICANS."
Ye dwellers 'neath yon far-off western skies,
Though now the heaving deep between us lies,
Though your thoughts love to dwell, with conscious
Upon your giant rivers' whirling tide, [pride,
Your old dim forests, with their tangled brakes,
Your wide savannahs, and your ocean lakes,
And our hearts love our warm and sunny vales,
Rich with the breath of hawthorn-scented gales,
Our leafy shades, and meadows green and sweet,
Where the gay wild-flowers press the wanderer's
Tho' severed thus, by circumstance or will, [feet—
Dwellers apart, we all are brethren still.

How many a village church its shadow throws
Upon the spot where, mouldering, now repose
The bones of many whose descendants dwell
Several in home by the wide ocean's swell!
Their sires together trode the rustic fane,
Their voices mingled in the village strain;
When home returned from that time-honored spot,
Their steps together sought the quiet cot:
And when at eve they pressed their peaceful bed,
On the same couch their youthful heads were laid—
And now, when on your young world's shores we
Or your fettered your father's island home, [room,
Seems it not strange, in other lands to hear
The sounds that to our infant ears were dear,
And do not the familiar accents come
Upon our hearts like a sweet welcome home!

If "all the nations of one blood were made,"
Framed each the happiness of all to aid,
By glorious interchange of mind and heart,
And the rich gifts of nature and of art,
How close should friendship's holiest ties be twined
Round those whom nature doth so closely bind!
And if, sometimes, a thought of jealous pride
At rights we deem invaded, or denied,
Rise in our hearts—ah! let us then repair
In fancy to our fathers' graves, and there,
Our bosoms with a noble purpose fraught,
Lay down each worldly aim, each selfish thought,
There bid them all, as in their presence, cease,
And o'er their dust exchange the "Branch of Peace."

TURNING A NEW LEAF.
BY ABEL REDTOP.

"Dad, I'm goin' to turn over a new leaf
next week," said Sam Dana, junior, to his
parental progenitor, Sam Dana, senior,—
they were being corn together near the Da-
na family domicile, in the town of Bow.

The two Sam Danas looked as near a like
as two peas, especially Sam junior;—he
looked a shade younger—otherwise he might
have been taken for a chip of the old block,
black and all. At the sound of the other's
voice, the older Dana, rested his chin on the
end of the hoe handle, and peered at his
sturdy offspring, as if doubtful of the meaning
and intent of the familiar words. Sam, ju-
nior, immediately fixed his sharp hazel eye
on that of his dad, and went on:—Yes, dad,
I'm going to turn over a new leaf. You've
often told me to do it. Next week, you
know, I'm one-and-twenty, out of my time;
I'm off. You see, dad, I have worked on
this patch of land ever since I was born, and
I calculate I have been a smart boy—haven't
I? [Sam, senior, nodded his head.] Well,
if I always stay here, I shall always be a
smart boy, and nothing else. I want to go
round, I want to see the fashions, I want to
speculate, I want to be somebody, I want to
put the dollars into my pocket; darn it, dad,
I want to go it, I'm off. I've made up my
mind, no use to try, nothing can't alter me.
I'm going, going, g-o-n-g, gone! the day
my time is out, I'm g-o-n-g, gone! What say
you to that?"

"Say! I say you're a jackass!
"Dad, I calculate you're mistaken."
"Well, perhaps, you'll be sure to make
one of yourself, if you ain't."
"Dad, I calculate you'll find yourself mis-
taken."

"I tell you, Sam, now, that you'll be sorry,
I did just so when I was out of my time. I
cleared out from home, and before I had been
gone three weeks, I was glad to get back
again, and you'll be in the same predicament
in less than a week, or I am no judge of
horse flesh."

"Dad, I've heard you say a thousand times,
that every generation grows wiser; now I
calculate I am one generation wiser than you
were at my age. I am going—no kind of
use to talk agin it!"

The dialogue closed, they eyed each other
sharply for a moment, the senior Dana raised
his chin from the end of his hoe-handle,
grasped it firmly, and renewed his labor with
the strength of two men. Sam, junior, fol-
lowed suit with none the less of energy in
his manner, and side by side they continued
at work for an hour without a word being
spoken by either, diggin as for dear life.—
The elder Dana was evidently working him-
self into a passion: at last he came to a stand
still, at the same moment ejaculating a sten-
torian "Sam!"

Sam came to a full stop, and straightened
up with a no less emphatic "Dad!"
"What in thunder are you working so hard
for?" demanded the senior, and at it he went
again, still harder than before, and after him
went Sam the younger, as hard as he could
dig; and if the dinner-horn had not sounded
in a moment, they would have worked them-
selves out of their boots. The moment be-
heard the horn, the elder Dana shouldered
his hoe and struck a bee-line for the house;
Sam following in the steps of his predeces-
sor; filed into the shed, hung their hoes in
their proper places with military precision—
next into the wash-room washed their hands
and faces, with the same silent emphasis that
had distinguished their hoeing for the last
hour, wiped, adjusted their hair, shot into

the dining-room, and down to the table they
sat, face to face, and again they looked fierce-
ly at each other—
"You're a fool!" said Sam Dana.
"You're my dad!" said the other Sam,
"You're going to make a fool of yourself."
"I calculate not," quietly replied Sam.
"What's the matter now?" asked Mrs. D.
"That boy, that boy's the matter," said her
husband, in tones that told his feelings were
somewhat ruffled.
"Nothing, mother, only talking a little."
"Only talking? do you hear that! He
says he's only been talking—did you ever
hear any thing like that!"
"Well, did I do anything else?"
"Do? you talk like a fool, Sam!"
"Now, husband, do keep cool—you get as
wrothy if things don't go to suit you—now,
what's the matter?"
"Ask Sam."
"Sam, what's the matter?"
"Ask dad."
"Well, I guess you had better eat your din-
ner and you'll feel better after it," replied Mrs.
Dana, pettishly.

Dinner disappeared wonderfully quick—
the elder Sam laid to it with great strength
and speed; the younger Sam kept his eye on
his father, and strove to keep pace with him
in all his movements—they finished together.
They left the house in precise order—they
shouldered their hoes as orderly as veterans
—they recommenced their labors in the field
at the same moment, and together, for near
two hours, they toiled as if hoeing for a wa-
ger—the silence was broken by a sharp,
quick, "Sam!" from the elder Dana, at the
same instant coming to a full stop.

"Well" was the instant reply.
"Go to the tailor and get measured for a
freedom suit—and at it they went again;
another half hour passed in silence, and then
came again, "Sam!"
"Well!" said the individual.
"I'll give you one hundred dollars to stay
with."

Another half hour passed; they began to
slacken their speed.
"Sam!"
"Well!"
"What are you going to do?"
"Going peddling."
"They hooed a full hour at a moderate pace."
"Sam!"
"Well!"
"I'll give you the red horse and wagon."

A few minutes more of moderate hoeing,
and the elder Dana guessed that it was time
to drive up the cattle; so Sam started for the
house—the trouble all over.

Sam went to town for his freedom suit—his
old clothes were nicely mended, washed and
packed away in his chest—his mother and
sisters were busy all the remaining time of
his minority fixing off Sam; and when the
day came for him to leave home, all were
pleasant, and with a light heart he drove off.
Sam was happy. After he had driven

he talked to himself; said he, "I am a man—
Sam you're a man, one-and-twenty yesterday
—old horse, you're mine. Sam owns you—
old wagon, I own you, you're Sam's prop-
erty—a cool hundred in your pocket, Sam—a
chest full of clothes, (here he threw up the
lid) twenty pairs of socks, sixteen shirts, and
lots of drawers—a suit of new clothes, bright
buttons—six pair of boots, and what is this?
two mince pies, some cheese and a pound
cake—that's some of the girls' work. I own
the whole of this crowd—horse, wagon, and
driver, ha, ho!" and Sam Dana laughed long
and loud; then he halloed, shouted, laughed
again, speeched to the old horse, talked to
Sam, drummed on his chest, crowed, barked,
cackled—imitated every thing he could think
of, by turns. Sam Dana was a happy fellow,
quite crazy with joy.

Sam drove on. An hour and a half after
he left his father's house, he hitched his
horse in front of the Melville pottery. With
the proprietor he bargained for a load of
earthenware, such as milk pans, jugs, &c.,
agreeing to settle for the load as soon as he could
turn it into cash, and then take another on the
same terms, and so continue as long as the
arrangement should be agreeable to both parties.
His load was soon selected, carefully
packed in the wagon, and away he drove.—
After proceeding a few miles over the coun-
try, he stopped his horse and took a bird's
eye inventory of his load, calculating his prob-
able profits if he had good luck, lunched off
his mince pies and cheese, and was just pre-
paring to mount and drive on to market,
when his horse took a sudden fright and
started off like a deer.

Sam pursued, yelling "whoa!" like a mad-
man. The old horse sheering off the side of
the road, and over went the wagon, down a
steep, ragged bank—the body parted from the
forward wheels—chest and earthen-ware went
helter-skelter, in crashing, smashing con-
fusion down the precipice. Sam stopped a mo-
ment, gave a prolonged whistle, and dashed
after his horse as fast as his legs could carry
him. At the end of an hour and half's chase
he returned, and after considerable trouble he
succeeded in getting his wagon together, gath-
ered up his clothing which had been distribu-
ted in the general smash, collecting in a
heap the fragments of his load, and took a
parting look at it, with the consoling re-
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