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Sept. 12th, 1848. 76-w. tri. c.

CARROLL & FENNELL.

Grocers & Commission Merchants,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

HAVE ALWAYS ON HAND A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF FAMILY GROCERIES, LIQUORS, WINES, &c. AND WILL PAY PARTICULAR Attention to the sale of all kinds of Produce

S. J. CARROLL. C. N. FENNELL.

July 13, 1848.

F. CLARK,

MANUFACTURER AND DEALER IN ALL KINDS OF

CABINET FURNITURE

CHAIRS, BEDSTEADS, WRITING DESKS, MATTRASSES, PAILLASTERS, &c.

FRONT STREET, NEAR MARKET, WILMINGTON, N. C.

April 11th, 1848. 11-1-y.

DEROSSET & BROWN.

GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

March 17, 1848. 1-y.

BROWN & DEROSSET.

GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

139 FRONT ST. NEW YORK.

March 17 1848. 1-y.

J. & W. L. McGARY

FORWARDING AND COMMISSION *MERCHANTS,*

WILMINGTON, N. C.

[illegible] 1-y.

ROWLEY, ASHBURNER & CO.

General Commission Merchants,

Nos. 3 & 4, North Wharves.

PHILADELPHIA.

[illegible]

Wilmington, N. C. [illegible] Davis.

[illegible] 12-1y.

GEORGE S. GILLESPIE.

AGENT FOR THE SALE OF

TIMBER, LUMBER, NAVAL STORES, &

[illegible] advances on all consignments of produce.

March 17. 1

G. W. DAVIS,

COMMISSION MERCHANT,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

March 17 1848. 1

JOHN C. LATTA,

COMMISSION MERCHANT,

AND GENERAL AGENT,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Oct. 10, 1848. 87

CASSIDEY, SCHRADER & Co.,

ENGINEERS AND MACHINISTS,

Wilmington N. C.

THE ABOVE FIRM HAVE ERECTED AN EXTENSIVE

Iron and Brass Foundry,

TOGETHER WITH

Machine and Blacksmith Shops,

Where orders for every description of work in their line of business, will be expeditiously and faithfully executed.

July 25, 1848. 55-tf.

MARTIN & CRONLY,

AUCTIONEERS,

COMMISSION MERCHANTS,

AND

GENERAL AGENTS.

Wilmington, N. C., Oct. 3 1848. 85-tf.

GLUE.

A Constant supply of best quality, for sale by BARRY, BRYANT & CO.

Oct. 28. 96-tf.

FLOUR.

20 Barrels Flour, new wheat; 20 half bbls. do, new wheat, for sale at HOWARD & PEDEN'S.

Nov. 2. 9[illegible]-tf

MACKEREL

50 BBLS. No. 3. Mackerel daily expected, for sale by BARRY, BRYANT & Co.

Oct. 24. 94

JOHN HALL,

SHIP AGENT

AND

COMMISSION MERCHANT,

No. 30 GRAVIER STREET.

New Orleans

April 13, 1848. 110-1y.

F. J. LORD & CO.

Rice Factors & Commission Agents.

Nov. 25, 1847. 108-1y-p.

M'KELLAR & M'RAE,

LUMBER AND TIMBER AGENTS, GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS, and GROCERS,

Store formerly occupied by HALL & ARMSTRONG.

NORTH WATER STREET,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

HECTOR M'KELLAR. ALEX. M'RAE

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HARRISS & RUSSELL,

(SUCCESSORS TO CHARLES D. ELLIS.)

GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

GEORGE HARRISS. HENRY P. RUSSELL.

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ALEX HERRON, Jr., Esq., *Philadelphia,*
Messrs. WILLIAMS, WELSMAN & Co. } *Charleston.*
H. F. BAKER, Esq. }

Sept. 4th, 1848. 77-tf.

L. MALLETT,

AGENT FOR THE SALE OF

Timber, Lumber, Naval Stores, &c.,

Nutt's Building, North Water Street,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Nov. 9, 1847. 101

BARRY, BRYANT & Co.

COMMISSION MERCHANTS,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

March 17, 1848. 1-y.

WILLIAM NEFF.

(*Late of the firm of* NEFF & WARNER.)

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN

SHIP CHANDLERY, SHIP STORES AND GROCERIES,

CORNER OF DOCK & WATER STREETS.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Dec. 7th, 1847. 113-tf.

W. BRANSON:

AGENT FOR THE SALE OF

TIMBER, LUMBER, NAVAL STORES, &c.

Nutt's Building, North Water Street

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Sept. 28 1848. 81-c.

N. B. HUGHES,

AUCTIONEER

AND

COMMISSION MERCHANT.

RALEIGH, N. C.

Solicits consignments, and will attend to all business entrusted to him, and pledges himself that all consignments and business shall be strictly done in conformity to the wishes of his employers.

REFERENCE

T. Loring, Esq., Wilmington.
E. W. Wilkinson, Esq., Fayetteville.

Aug. 26, 1848. 69-1y

JOHN D. LOVE,

DEALER IN

CABINET FURNITURE.

BEDSTEADS, CHAIRS, MATRASSES, &c.

ROCK SPRING,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Twenty Dollars Reward.

I WILL give Twenty Dollars Reward for the lodgement of my man PETER in Wilmington Jail. Peter is about 5 feet 4 inches high, has dark skin, is somewhat broken, and about 50 years of age. He is supposed to be about Wilmington, or on Town Creek.

S. DEWITT, All Saints, S. C.

Oct. 7.

COAL.

30 TONS Red Ashe Coal, broken and screened. For sale by W. L. SMITH.

Oct. 14.

LAMP OIL.—First quality, Lamp Oil, pure, for sale at HOWARD & PEDEN'S

Nov. 2. 98-tf

$25 REWARD.

RANAWAY from the Estate of Wm. B. Meares, in June last, a negro fellow called HENRY or HENRY HILL. He is about 5 4 to 5 feet 6 inches high, well made and likely; he is quick spoken and smart. He is probably lurking about Wilmington where he has a good many relations. I will give a reward of $25 for his apprehension and delivery to me in Wilmington, or to Wm. T. Bray at Meares' Bluff.

T. D. MEARES

Nov 9. 101-tf.

GRAIN

BLACK EYE PEAS; White Corn; Rice, for sale by R. W. BROWN.

Nov 9. 101-tf

SCOTT, KEEN & CO.

MERCHANT TAILORS,

AND DEALERS IN

SUPERIOR

Ready-Made Clothing.

MARKET STREET.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Oct. 21, 1848. 93-y.

CORNELIUS MYERS,

MANUFACTURER

AND DEALER IN

HATS, CAPS, UMBRELLAS AND WALKING CANES, &c.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Market-st.

Oct. 17 1848. 91-tf

W. L. SMITH,

(LATE OF THE FIRM OF SANDFORD & SMITH.)

AUCTIONEER AND

COMMISSION MERCHANT,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Store on North Water Street, Parsley's block.

Oct. 14 1848. 90-y.

J. S. WILLIAMS'

Fancy & Staple Dry Goods Store

ONE DOOR WEST OF Wm. SHAW'S DRUG STORE,

MARKET STREET,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Oct. 14, 1848. 90

Jas. T. Morris,

Lumber and Timber Inspector,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Oct. 12, 1848. 89-6m

JAMES T. MORRIS,

Agent for the Sale or Purchase of NEGROES,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Oct. 12 1848. 89-6m

FRESH ARRIVALS OF GOODS.

JUST Received per schr. *David Hile,* from New York: Bleached shirtings, India drills, [illegible], do. Canton flannels, Grass Cambric, Irish linen, Bleached jeans, Apron checks, Bedtick, Blankets, Plaid Linsey, Ginghams, Turkey red yarn, Vestings, H Hands, Shawls, Alpacca, Hose (assorted), Suspenders, Black silk cravats, Silk handkerchiefs, Colored table cloths, Flannels red and white, Twilled Sattinets, Cab [illegible], Kentucky jeans, Prints various patterns, [illegible], shirt buttons, pocket combs, [illegible], Unbleached shirting, Umbrellas, [illegible] sheeting 2¼ yards wide, Kerseys, [illegible], Cashmeres de [illegible], Lama [illegible]

E. J. BERNARD.

Oct. 14. 90-tf

BOARDING HOUSE.

CAPT. JOHN A. WADE, respectfully informs his friends and the public, that he continues his Boarding House, at the corner of Market and Front streets, in the building [illegible] Lossing's Building. [illegible] boarders [illegible] will be [illegible] that [illegible] as well as transient [illegible] with [illegible] and his table will be supplied in the best manner.

He takes this occasion to return his thanks to those who have heretofore [illegible] support, and hopes for a continuance of public favor.

August 2th, 1848. 70-tf.

A Fine Set of Teeth for 25 Cents.

White Teeth, Foul Breath, Healthy Gums.

Yellow and unhealthy teeth, after being once or twice cleaned with

JONES' AMBER TOOTH PASTE,

have the appearance of the most beautiful Ivory, and at the same time it is so perfectly innocent and exquisitely fine, that its constant daily use is highly advantageous even to those teeth that are in good condition, giving them a beautiful polish, and preventing a premature decay. Those already decayed, it prevents from becoming worse: it also fastens such as are becoming loose, and by perseverance it will render the foulest teeth delicately white, and make the breath deliciously sweet.

PRICE 25 OR 37½ CENTS A BOX.

Sold in Wilmington, by Lippitt & Wilkings.

WM. M. HARRISS. EUGENE B. DRAKE

HARRISS & DRAKE,

General Commission Merchants,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

REFERENCES

O. G. Parsley, Esq. }
Col. John McRae, } Wilmington, N. C.
Messrs. Ballard & Huntington }
Will Peck, Esq., Raleigh, N. C.
Messrs. Hall, Sackett & Co., } Fayetteville, N. C.
Joseph Utley, Esq., }
Messrs. James Corner & Sons, Baltimore.
" E. A. Souder & Co., Philadelphia.
" Thompson & Hunter, }
" Pillsbury & Sandford } New York.
" Hunting & Tufts, Boston.
" J. & G. P. Titcomb, Kennebunk, Me.

September 14th, 1848. 77-tf

MULLETS! MULLETS!!

250 BBLS. Just received, and for sale at WM. NEFF'S.

Nov. 23. 10[illegible]

LINSEED OIL.

10 BBLS. Just received per Steamer Gov. Graham, and for sale by J. & W. L. McGARY.

Nov. 9. 101-tf.

FOR SALE.

34 BUSHELS Seed Rye; 4 barrels prime [illegible] Country Whiskey, on consignment by McKELLAR & McRAE.

Nov. 7. 109-tf

F. J. LORD & CO.,

Agents for the

NAUTILUS MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.

Accumulated Capital, $130,000.

ALSO FOR THE

EAGLE LIFE & HEALTH INSURANCE CO

Capital, $100,000.

Will take risks on lives of Slaves.

Office 23 North Water Street.

Oct. 21, 1848.

Marine and Fire Insurance.

THE Subscriber having received the Agency of the

Camden Insurance Company, N. J.

CHARTERED 1832.

WITH A CAPITAL OF $100,000,

of Wilmington and vicinity, will issue Policies on cargoes, freights and vessels out of this port; and also take Fire risks on as reasonable terms as any other Institution. Losses sustained will be promptly and honorably adjusted and paid, and in case of difference, the Courts of North Carolina will be acknowledged.

A. MARTIN, *Agt.*

Dec. 14, 1847. 116-1y-c.

COFFEE, MOLASSES, &c.

50 Bags St. Domingo Coffee; 30 hhds. prime St. Jago Molasses; 20 bbls. Glue, Outcelts Snuff, Gunny Bags, &c. For sale by BARRY, BRYANT, & Co.

Oct. 24. 94.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE.

THE undersigned have this day formed a Copartnership under the firm of

HARRISS & DRAKE,

for the transaction of a GENERAL COMMISSION BUSINESS, and by strict and prompt attention, hope to merit a share of public patronage.

WILLIAM M. HARRISS,
EUGENE B. DRAKE

September 14th, 1848. 77-tf.

COTTON YARN

10 Bales, B. C. Yarns, assorted numbers, for sale by J. C. LATTA.

Oct. 24. 94-tf.

MACKEREL! MACKEREL!!

50 BBLS. new No. 3 Mackerel just received and for by J. & W. L. McGARY.

Oct. 31. 97.

LIVERPOOL SALT

360 SACKS ground; 100 Sacks fine or blown. For sale by R. W. BROWN.

Oct. 21. 93-tf.

SACK SALT

600 SACKS Liverpool Ground Salt Landing this day, for sale by J. & W. L. McGARY.

Oct. 21. 94-tf.

LONDON BROWN STOUT

IN Casks or by the dozen, for sale at J. & W. L. McGARY.

Oct. 21. 94-tf.

SPICES

PEPPER, Spice, Ginger, Nutmegs, Cloves, All spice, Cinnamon, Mustard, and all varieties of [illegible], for sale at HOWARD & PEDEN'S.

Nov. 2. 98-tf.

ORANGES! ORANGES!!

10,000 NASSAU, Just received and for sale at J. WILKINSON'S & CO.

Nov. 9. 101-tf.

FOR SALE.

6 [illegible] fresh boat tier, also 20,000 of [illegible] Which I offer for sale by the Boat [illegible] single thousand. Apply to E. DICKINSON, Agt.

Nov. 9. 101.

OAKUM

100 BALES just received by the Schr. Eloise [illegible] New York, and for sale by WM. NEFF.

Nov. 11. 102

CALL SOON.

JUST opened, a large assortment of Toys, Fancy [illegible] Card Plates and Baskets, Flour Vases, [illegible] &c. &c. at J. WILKINSON & Co.

Nov. 2. 98

FLOUR AND CHEESE

25 BOXES Prime Cheese. 20 half bbls. Flour. For sale by WM. NEFF.

Nov. 11. 102

SALE OF REAL ESTATE

IN obedience to a decree, made at the Fall Term 1848 of the Honorable Court of Equity for the county of New Hanover, on Monday the 11th day of December next, at the Court house in the town of Wilmington, I shall offer for sale at public auction, the following pieces or parcels of land lying in the county of New Hanover, viz: a tract of land on the Sound containing [illegible] acres, and known generally as the McNiel place.

A tract of land adjoining the place above referred to on the North, and known as the Averett place.—The two parcels of land above referred to, together constituting the tract of land conveyed by Wm. N. Peden, Esq. to the late Daniel Joyner, and together containing 912 acres.

A tract on the East side of the Cape Fear River, containing 420 acres being the same which was conveyed by Charles B. Gause to Ronald McDonald.

A tract containing 601 acres granted to the late Daniel Joyner.

A tract containing 105 acres, being the same which was conveyed by W. Woodard, to the late Daniel Joyner.

A credit of one and two years will be allowed on bonds with good and sufficient security, bearing interest from day of sale will be required.

THOS. D. MEARES, C. & M. E.

Nov. 11. 102

ELLIS & MITCHELL'S

GRAIN STORE, *Murphy's Building, near Wessel's dock.*

SEED Wheat and Rye; North Carolina Corn; Cow Peas; Fresh Ground Meal and Homony; White Homony Beans; New Corn Meal and Buckwheat and Rye Meal; Blackeyed Peas; Oats; Fayetteville and Canal Flour, barrels and half bbls. new crop; Hay; Cow and Horses feed constantly on hand, and for sale.

Nov. 2. 98-tf.

OYSTERS AND REFRESHMENTS.

THE undersigned has taken charge of the Harbet House, next door to Dr. A. C. Evans, on Market street, where he will keep on hand a constant supply of good Oysters, and other "creature comforts."

Come one come all and give him a trial.

ROBERT FINLEY.

Nov. 16. 104-tf.

NOTICE.

APPLICATION will be made, at the present session of the Legislature, to amend the Act passed at the last session, to incorporate the town of Goldsborough, to extend the limits thereof and for other purposes.

November 21st, 1848. 418-30d.

FOR SALE LOW FOR CASH, OR Barter For Country Produce.

50 Bags Rio Coffee; 15 bags Laguira coffee; 5 hhds. Porto Rico Sugar; 10 do good retailing Molasses.

ALSO

Teas, White Sugar, Spice, Pepper, Ginger, Cinnamon, Nutmegs, Mustard, Soaps, Candles, Sperm and Tallow, Epsom Salts, Starch, Snuff, Tobacco, Segars, Nails, Shovels and Spades, Hoes, Axes, and many other articles in the grocery line. At J. & W. L. McGARY.

Nov. 16. 104.

NOTICE.

APPLICATION will be made to the next General Assembly of North Carolina to extend the limits of the town of Wilmington.

November 1848. 103.

MACKEREL.

100 BBLS. No. 3 Mackerel, just received per Brig Electro, from Boston, and for sale by BARRY, BRYANT & CO.

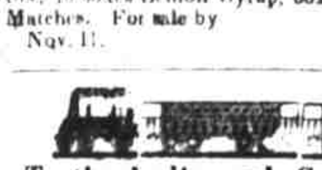
Nov. 16. 104-tf.

JUST RECEIVED

By the Schr. Old Zack, from New York.

HHDS. Porto Rico and New Orleans Sugar; bbls. Crushed do.; 2 dozen baskets Champaigne Wine; 10 chests Young Hyson, Gun Powder and Souchong Tea; 25 boxes Colgate's No. 1 Soap; 5 boxes Toilet Soap; 15 boxes Hull & Son's Candles; 20 do. Adamantine Candles; 10 do. Sperm do.; 10 boxes Pipes; 5 do. Mustard; 5 boxes Goodwin's Tobacco; 15 whole, half and quarter boxes Raisins; 50 bags Table Salt; 5 baskets Sweet Oil; 5 kegs Nutmegs; 40 bags Laguira, Rio and St. Domingo Coffee; 25 Reams Wrapping Paper; 5 kegs Salaratus; 10 boxes Lemon Syrup, boxes Chocolate, do. Matches. For sale by WM. NEFF.

Nov. 11. 102-tf



To the Ladies and Gentlemen of Wilmington and its Vicinity.

C. GRIMME, would respectfully inform the Community, that he has just returned from the North, and opened again his Cheap DRY GOODS, Fancy Cutlery and Crockery Store, on Market street, where he is prepared to give greater bargains than any other Store can even offer; his stock consists in a general assortment of the following:

DRESS SILK,

Silk striped, Mode Colored, and Black Alpaccas, Cashmeres, Muslin de Lane, Wool, Muslin, French Ginghams, English, French and American Calico; Jaconet and Swiss muslins, Irish linen, French and English Marino Shawls, Cravats, Lace, Ribbons, Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Cambrics, Bleached and Brown Cottons from 1 to 11-4 yard wide, Checks, &c. &c.

BROAD CLOTHS,

French Cassimeres, Doeskins, Coating, Tweeds, Satin vest patterns, Handkerchiefs, Suspenders, Gloves, Caps, Comforts, &c., &c.

CUTLERY, GUNS & PISTOLS,

Knives and Forks of the best manufactories, Pocket knives, of all descriptions, Scissors, Razors of the finest kind, Guns and Pistols of various qualities.

CROCKERY,

A full assortment of both fine and common, and very cheap.

JEWELERY,

GOLD and Silver Lever and Anker Watches, Gold and Silver Pencils, Gold Pens in silver cases, Gold Ear rings, Finger rings, Breast pins, Gold studs, Silver thimbles, Metal Combs and Chains.

FANCY ARTICLES,

In the Fancy line, an endless variety of articles: Guitars, Violins, Flutes, Fifes, Harps, Accordeons, Banjoes, Steel Beads, Purses, Wallets, Combs, Brushes, Buttons, Thread, Needles, Pins, Flower Vases, Spoons, Scissors, Knives, Flasks, Belts, Percussion caps, Perfumed soaps, Genuine cologne, Hair oil, &c.

ALL of which is respectfully offered to the public at the very lowest CASH price. My motto is, "a nimble sixpence is better than a slow shilling."

CHR. GRIMME.

At the house formerly occupied by Mr. Wolfe, Market square. Oct. 10. 88-tf.

COFFEE AND LARD.

20 BAGS prime Rio Coffee
10 " Laguira "
5 " Java "
20 Kegs No. 1 Leaf Lard. For sale by CARROLL & FENNELL.

Oct. 14. 90

BASKETS! BASKETS!!

LADIES work and Travelling Fancy, and Market Baskets, at J. WILKINSON'S.

Nov. 2. 98-tf.

JUST ARRIVED

6 HALF bbls. Pickeled Jerkins;
10 Casks, do. do.
5 do. mixed do. do
3 do. do. Onions;
10 dozen bottles Horse Radish;
5 dozen do Pickel Lobsters;
10 do. boxes Sardines, Tomato sauces;
Walnut sauce; Salmon Sauce, for sale at WM. NEFF'S.

Nov. 16. 104-tf.

NOTICE is hereby given, that application will be made, to the present Legislature, for an act to amend the Charter of the Town of Wilmington, &c.

Nov. 21st, 1848. 30d

THE SAILOR IN COURT.

The fowllowing scene occurred during the examination of the mate of the ship Prince of Wales, in a case of damage sustained by her, in consequence of being run foul of by the barque Lady Elizabeth, in the Downs.

Mr. Waddy.—"You have already stated that the wind shifted in the evening.—Pray, at what time did the wind shift?"

"The latter part of the dog watch," replied the mate.

"I ask not during which dog's watch it was; my question refers to time. What hour was it when the wind shifted?"

"About three bells."

"Three o'clock, eh?"

"I never said three o'clock," returned the witness, marking the lawyer's mistake.—"I said three bells—half-past five—in the four to six watch."

"Three bells—half-past five—four to six," reiterated Waddy. "What a precise specification of time. Well, then, sir, at three."

"Greasy looking to the sou'west.—Sun, too, looked wild and watery. Any one with half an eye, could a seed a storm was brewin'."

"When the Lady Elizabeth cast anchor, did she take a position properly apart from the Prince of Wales?"

"She did—but —"

"Come, sir, let,s have no buts—answer the question direct."

"Well, then, I says, when one takes into account sarcumstances as might deceive the best men in taking up a distance, I must say as how the barque might have taken up a worse berth."

"In what way could that deception arise?"

"In consequence of our buoy's not watching at the time."

"The boy not watching at the time—a lazy young boy—now the murder's coming out," said Waddy exultingly; and then desiring the witness to reply direct to the next question which he was about to put to him—and above all, to beware of any kind of prevarication, he thus proceeded.

"I ask you, sir as a seaman on your oath, would matters have gone the wrong way with the Prince of Wales, had there been a proper watch upon deck?"

The absurdity of this question, and the pompous declamatory tone in which it was delivered, excited so much noise and mirth among the nautical portion of the audience, that it became necesary to eject from court a couple of Sunderlink slippers. Upon the restoration of order, and the repetition of the question, the witness replied: "There was a watch upon deck."

"My Lud," said Waddy, turning to the Bench, "this is positively the grossest case of prevarication I ever met with. Do you persist in swearing"—interrogating the witness—"that a proper watch had been on deck when the wind shifted?"

"I do," replied the mate in a firm and determined tone.

"Do you come here to insult our common sense? Is it possible you possess sufficient effrontery to tell these intelligent gentlemen"—at the same time pointing to the jury—"that in a vessel situated as the Prince of Wales was, and bad weather coming on, the watch should have devolved on a dumb animal?"

The witness looked blank.

"Do you hear sir," vociferated the bully.

"I doesn't understand you," replied the deponent, with perfect composure.

"The question was shaped anew;

"I ask you, sir, whether it was fitting to entrust a dog?"

"There was ne'er a dog on board," said the witness, bluntly.

"And yet gentlemen of the jury, the witness has had the audacity to assert upon oath that the wind shifted during the latter part of the dog's watch."

"Bill let's bolt,"said an auditor, addressing a brother tar in the rear of the court.

"By the Lord Harry, ther's no standing that squinting beggar's lubberly lip."

The Judge had already decided that the witness was bound to state distinctly the description of the watch that had been left upon the ship's deck.

The witness said," James Thomson, my Lord, had charge of the deck during the whole of the four to six watch. A better seaman never puddlened an anchor, hauled out a weather earing or took lead or helm in hand."

"Then how comes it," asked the lawyer, "this superexcellent seaman was not as competent to prevent the Lady Elizabeth ruming on board the Prince of Wales as the boy of whom you boast so much?" (Some brat of his own, no doubt," added Waddy, aside to the jury.)

The witness not appearing to understand the question, the Judge requested Mr Waddy to repeat it.

"I ask the witness, my lord, if the boy, whose dexterity in taking up a distance he extols so much, could have prevented the dangerous proximity of the lady Elizabeth to the Prince of Wales, why then I ask, as a mere matter of precaution, was not this boy put on the watch?"

The mate remained mute.

"Put it more directly, Mr. Waddy," said the Judge.

Waddy bowed to the bench.

"Why was not the boy put upon the watch?"

"Because twanted bleeding" was the acute reply

"Had you a surgeon in the ship?"

At this questio[illegible] gravity of the witness was [illegible] great difficulty he [illegible] ing aloud; he ho[illegible] ative