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Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 27, 1849. 145-12m-c.

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WILMINGTON, N. C.
Liberal Cash advances made on all consignments from the North or from Producers from the Country. Office 3 doors on the Wharf, South side of Market Street.
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DEROSSET & BROWN.
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NEW YORK.
GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS.
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TIMBER, LUMBER, NAVAL STORES &c.
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G. & W. A. GWYER,
MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS IN
CABINET FURNITURE,
In all its varieties.
Bedsteads, Cots, Mattresses, Looking Glasses, &c. &c.,
FRONT STREET, NEAR MARKET.
WILMINGTON, N. C.
GEORGE GWYER, WM. A. GWYER.
May 15, 1849.

BANK CHECKS.
CHECKS on the several Banks in this place bound in Books, and in sheets, for sale at the Commercial Office.

HAY.
100 BALES superior quality Maine Hay, daily expected and for sale by
WM. M. HARRISS Agt.
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Warranted Deeds and Deeds for Mortgage on land, just printed, in correct form and for sale at the Commercial Office.

CASHWELL & BLOSSOM,
GENERAL COMMISSION
AND
FORWARDING MERCHANTS,
Nos. 1 & 2, Dickinson's Stores.
North Water St. Wilmington, N. C.
DAVID CASHWELL. JOS. B. BLOSSOM.
Cash advances made on consignments of Timber, Lumber, Naval Stores, &c. Also, on shipments to our friends in New York.
April 3, 1849. 8-12m.

BENJ. BLOSSOM & SON,
General Commission Merchants,
NEW YORK.
BENJ. BLOSSOM, CHAS. W. BLOSSOM.
Liberal advances made upon Consignments.
References.
Messrs. CASHWELL & BLOSSOM, } Wilmington.
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HERON & MARTIN
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WM. S. NEILSON, Esq., }
ROBERT NEILSON, Esq., }
Messrs. MOSES, TAYLOR & CO., } New York.
" J. H. BROWER & CO., }
" J. & D. McRAE, } Wilmington.
" GEO. HARRISS, Esq., }
April 5, 1849. 9-ly.

GEO. HARRISS,
General Commission Merchant,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
STRICT attention given to procuring Freight and purchasing Cargoes for vessels.
Refer to
E. P. Hall, Esq., } Wilmington.
O. G. Parsley, Esq., }
J. A. Taylor, Esq., }
J. D. Bellamy, Esq., }
Messrs. Ballard & Huntington, } New York.
Messrs. Tooker, Smyth & Co., }
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Alex. Heron, Jr., }
Messrs. Williams & Butler, } Charleston, S. C.
H. F. Baker, Esq., }
Jan. 2, 1849. 123-ly.

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Messrs. Hall, Sackett & Co., } Fayetteville, N. C.
Joseph Utley, Esq., }
Messrs. James Corner & Sons, } Baltimore.
" E. A. Souder & Co., } Philadelphia.
" Thompson & Hunter, } New York.
" Pillsbury & Sandford, }
" Hunting & Tufts, } Boston.
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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 24 23 North Water Street.
Oct. 24, 1848.

MARTIN & CROLY.
AUCTIONEERS,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
AND
GENERAL AGENTS.
Wilmington, N. C., Oct. 3, 1848. 85-ly.

H. L. BUTTERFIELD,
PAVILION HOTEL.
Corner of Hazel and Meeting Streets,
CHARLESTON, S. C.
Where he will be happy to see all his
NORTH CAROLINA FRIENDS.
July 12, 1849. 50-ly.

OLDS & ANDERSON,
Grocers & Commission Merchants,
No. 141 Front Street New York.

One of the partners being a native of North Carolina, and the other a Northern man with twenty years' experience in City trade, the interests of their patrons in shipping to, and buying from them will be well protected.
Strict attention paid to consignments of Cotton, Grain, Naval Stores, Lumber, and every kind of Produce; and all orders for Groceries and Merchandise generally, promptly attended to, at the lowest City prices.
LEWIS P. OLDS, F. R. ANDERSON.
May 27, 1849. 29-6m.

SHIPPING ARTICLES.
FOR SALE at The Commercial Office, an elegant edition of Shipping Articles, embracing all the laws of Congress relative to the Merchant's Service.

WRAPPING PAPER.
450 REAMS for sale by
W. L. SMITH.
May 1, 1849. 20.

NOTICE.
FROM and after the first January, 1849, no Freight will be transported or delivered without the freight being paid.
ROBT. FENNER,
Transportation Agent, W. & F. R. R. Co.
Dec. 30, 1848.

AGENCY OF
Nautilus (Mutual Life) Insurance Company.
PERSONS holding Policies in this office are notified that Scrip Certificates, for their Shares of profits in the business of the Company are ready for delivery at the Agency office, 23, North Water-st.
F. J. LORD & Co., Agents.
Oct. 24. 94-ly.

GLUE.
GERMAN and American Glue, of prime quality for Distillers. For sale by
DeROSSSET & BROWN.
Jan. 6. 125.

DISTILLERY FOR SALE.
THE Turpentine distillery at Falsons Depot, on the Rail Road, lately owned by John Christian, will be sold at a fair price, for further particulars apply to
JEFFREYS & LEIGHTON. 11.
April 10, 1849.

BILLS OF LADING, &c.
PROLIO POST BILLS OF LADING bound in Books, and sheets, also Letter Sheets—with a variety of mercantile blanks, for sale at The Commercial Office.

CAMPINE! CAMPINE!!
40 CENTS PER GALLON.
For sale at the Store of
J. G. BAUMAN.
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PATENT MEDICINE
JUST received 6 dozen Sarsaparilla;
" also, Old and Young Tonic; do.
" 12 doz. Swayne's Syrup of Wild Cherry;
" 12 " " Vermifuge;
" 12 " " Dead Shot;
" 6 " German Bitters; 4 Eping, Sarsap and Queens delight. For sale at usual prices, by
A. G. EVANS & BRO.
July 19. 49.

LAW NOTICE.
THE Subscriber, assisted by an experienced and competent Attorney, in the City of Washington, prosecutes and settles all manner of claims upon the U. S. Government. Particular attention given to those arising under the Pension and Bounty Laws. Address (post paid)

NEGROES WANTED.
THE Subscriber wishes to hire a limited number of Negroes either Men, Boys, or Women, for whom he will pay liberal wages. P. GLARD.
August 31, 1849. 71-ly.

TO TRAVELLERS GOING NORTH.
The Great Mail Route from Charleston, S. C.
LEAVING the wharf at the foot of Laurens at 3 P. M. daily after the arrival of the Southern cars, via WILMINGTON and WELDON, N. C., PETERSBURG, RICHMOND, WASHINGTON, BALTIMORE and PHILADELPHIA.
The public is respectfully informed that the steamers of this line, from Charleston to Wilmington, are in first rate condition, and are navigated by well known and experienced commanders, and the Railroads are in fine order, thereby securing both safety and despatch. A THROUGH TICKET having already been in operation is now continued as a permanent arrangement from Charleston to Philadelphia. Passengers availing themselves thereof, will have the option either to continue without delay through the route or otherwise, to stop at any of the intermediate points, renewing their seats on the line to suit their convenience. By this route travellers may reach New York on the third day during business hours. Baggage will be ticketed on board the Steamer to Weldon, as likewise on the change of cars, at the intermediate points from thence to Philadelphia. Through Tickets to Philadelphia at \$20 each, can also be had from E. WINSLOW, Agent of the Wilmington & Raleigh Rail Road Company, at the office of the Company foot of Laurens street, to whom please apply. For other information inquire of
L. C. DUNCAN,
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REMOVAL.
S. R. FORD has removed his MARBLE YARD to
Duck street, 2d door from Wm. Neff's.
Aug. 16. 64-ly.

NOTICE.
ALL persons indebted to JOHN R. HAWES are hereby notified that he has made an assignment to me. They are requested to come forward and settle immediately.
THOS. D. MEARES, Assignee.
Aug. 30th 1849. Jou. copy 4w. 70-6w.

DISSOLUTION.
THE Partnership of Jewett & Co. is this day dissolved, by agreement of the parties. O. G. Parsley is hereby authorized to settle all day demands against or debts due to said firm. Persons having claims will please present them at once.
O. G. PARSLEY,
R. BRADLEY,
S. JEWETT.
Wilmington, N. C., May 27, 1849. 76-ly.

NOTION CANVASS. suitable for Root Sells, for sale by
J. S. WILLIAMS.
Sept. 1.

A FRESH BREEZE.
BY C. SWAIN.
Give me a fresh'ning breeze ahead,
While swift the broad prow dips;
While far and wide the foam is spread,
And the sail is on our lips:
Like winged steeds the billows leap,
Their white manes dash'd with brine;
Hurrah! there's nothing like the deep,
Where'er the sun doth shine.
Where'er the sun doth shine, my boys,
There's nothing like the sea;
The spirit never soars so high,
The heart ne'er bounds so free,
As when the billows bear
With giant arms the ship:
I seem 'em now to taste the air
Of freedom on my lips!
Of freedom on my lips, my boys,
The dash, the foam, the spray;
The chorus of the elements,
Rough sounding on their way;
The laughing surges on our lee,
Careering in their mirth;
Hurrah! one hour upon the sea
Is worth a year on earth.

From the N. Y. Journal Commerce.
COMMERCE OF MINNESOTA—INDIANS.
In my last I promised to say something of the commercial resources of this Territory, and of the condition of the Indians.

The first great item of the commercial business of Minnesota is the lumber trade—A great amount of good pine lumber has been floated down the river to St. Louis for several years back, and the business will increase as the timber below becomes more exhausted. The upper country of the Mississippi is full of pine. I have traveled for a day and more at times, and have seen very little else besides the white Norway pine, which grows to a great height. The banks of the tributary rivers are all covered with this pine—the Crow-wing river, the Pine and Red Cedar rivers—even up to Beach Lake.

The company which has the best location, is the Boston Company, at the Falls of St. Anthony. The works they have built around the falls are astonishing. The channel on one side of the island has been stopped, the dam reaching from one shore to the other. Their mill on one of the banks, has three running saws. The logs waiting to be sawed cover the water for nearly half a mile above. This Company will be by far the richest of all the Companies in this Western country; for some day the pine will give out on the Wisconsin, Chippeway and St. Croix rivers. They have all the upper waters to depend upon for pine and for water-power. The St. Croix has a great number of mills. It is navigable for about 100 miles. And here, too, there are thousands of pine.

There are several companies which are going this winter, to get down timber for the lower market. One man whom I saw a few days ago, said he had ten men, and intended, with them, to get one million feet which will probably cost him \$4000, and then, at the rate timber sells, he will realize over \$50,000. The Chippeway mills are also doing a great deal in lumber.—There are rafts floating down the river constantly all the summer months.

Then, besides the lumber of this region, there is copper up the St. Croix, and in the northern part of the territory. Several years ago, there was much of it found at the Falls of St. Croix, which has not been worked. Besides this, lead is supposed to exist in or about Root River, on the West bank of the Mississippi. The Indians know where it is, but have not as yet shown any of the whites.

The whole of this country, back for miles, is full of marshes, and in these marshes, are cranberries found. Several thousand bushels are sent to St. Louis. These sell here at about 75 cts., their real value; the traders sell them at \$1.50, or more.

There is also quite a brisk trade carried on between these and the Red River people of the North, who come here in June, to trade in furs and other commodities, such as dressed skins, and moccasins, from their country. These annually receive from ten to fifteen thousand dollars worth of goods in exchange, and every year the trade is increasing. There were more than 150 carts started off for the Red River country in the second week of last month, well loaded with goods, and more are expected here next summer.

Among the advantages at present enjoyed by this North-west country, are the Indian payments by the Government, and the maintenance of two small garrisons. The Indians receive yearly from \$80,000 to \$100,000, in goods and money, for their lands sold to the Government some years back; and these payments will no doubt keep up this country for several years to come.

The fur trade is not so good as it used to be, but still it forms one of the principal articles of trade as yet, and probably will for ten or twelve years to come; but the fur trade may be said in this country to be done.

Fish is another article of commerce, and preparations are making to send this article to the markets below.

Farming must be the greatest support to this country; and, since the people will be driven to farming for their sustenance, the country also being suitable for it, much what will be raised, and other grain. I understand a treaty is to be made, this fall, with the Sioux nation, to buy their country lying on the West side of the river, which is by far the best; and when this is effected, there will be, no doubt, a great flood of emigrants from the East, to fill this country. They must farm—farm—farm, for the country cannot stand without it.—Enough in reference to farming, but this letter will hardly suffice for what I had to say on another subject—the condition of the Indians.

I subscribe myself yours,
KAH-GE-GA-BOOM.
PRINTERS NOTICES.

Among the most amusing portions of the columns of every paper are those notices which occasionally appear at the head, in a most prominent and conspicuous position, requesting the subscribers to send paper to pay up their subscriptions. The tone of these duns presents a marked contrast to the lacuna and decided style of those which tradesmen and others put forth in the advertising columns, and in which they briefly but explicitly inform their debtors that, unless their accounts are speedily adjusted, they will be put in the hands of an officer for collection. The printer, on the contrary, speaks in a most modest and deprecatory manner, as if he were in danger of committing a mortal sin by reminding his subscribers that something more is necessary to the patronage of a paper than a name and an unredeemed promise to pay. Such is generally the character of his first notices. But, finding that these do not succeed and discovering that of those who are indebted to him, probably ninety nine out of a hundred amuse themselves with his greenness in expecting to collect cash with a few soft words, our printer waxeth wroth, and issues another pronouncement full of fire and fury. He tells his obdurate debtors that printers cannot live on air; that the paper maker must be paid; the workmen must be paid; type, ink, fuel, lights rent, &c., cost money; so do the printer's daily bread, and finally he exclaims in a tone that he expects will render the very rocks, "We want money and we must have it." But, unfortunate mortal, he is a printer, and printers are the last men in the world to resort to compulsory measures. It is the general impression that their "bark is worse than their bite," so they lose thousands where other men would not lose hundreds. We would like to see an accurate statement of the losses sustained by newspaper establishments from the neglect and procrastination of their patrons. We think we may safely conjecture that no other employment or profession suffers so much loss. Could those who thoughtlessly defer or altogether omit to pay their newspaper accounts reflect upon the trouble, difficulty and some times ruin, their negligence occasions, they would learn to observe justice, punctuality and system as strictly with newspaper establishments as with merchants and mechanics.

CHOICE OF A PROFESSION.
Some young persons entertain curious notions as to the choice of a profession—Carried away by the glitter of uniforms and the splendid pageantry of the soldier's life, nothing will please them short of entering the army; or, perhaps, carried away by the narration of maritime adventures, they resolve upon following the hazardous profession of a sailor. But a very little experience of the realities of life generally banishes these idle dreams. Others pitch upon the clerical profession as most suitable to their ideas of living an easy and dignified existence, and enjoy the reverence of those around them, without reckoning whether their parents or guards are able, in the first place, to procure them the necessary course of education, or if they would subsequently have the good fortune to find a benefice. Many more equally delude themselves with regard to what are called professions. As a matter of course, they must be something better, though only in appearance, than their father; and so they frequently turn their attention to occupations which to them look remarkable genteel, but which all the world besides knows to be superficial and unprofitable. The young in the middle and lower ranks of society should, by all means, be governed in these matters by their seniors, for they are certainly the best judges with respect to what particular department of industry they should attach themselves.

WHO IS A COWARD.
The man who attacks another by surprise, or with a weapon in his hand when the other has none, is a coward.
The man who carries a deadly weapon about his person in his intercourse with an unarmed society, is a coward.
The man who associates with him, and so goes with numbers to overpower and individual or a smaller or feeble number—he is a coward.
The man who, being challenged to a duel, is so much afraid of public sentiment he dares not refuse it, is a coward.

METEORIC EXPLOSION.
A brilliant meteor passed over Staunton on the night of the 10th inst., about 11 o'clock, which was followed by a tremendous explosion, described by a gentleman who heard it as resembling that of a powder magazine. The shock was felt in many of the houses of the town, shaking windows &c., and leading to the supposition that an earthquake had occurred.