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RAIL ROAD OFFICE, Wilmington, July 1st, 1836.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Wilmington and Raleigh Rail Road Company this day, the following Resolution was passed and ordered to be published, viz:
Resolved, That Interest be exacted from such Stockholders, as shall fail to pay their instalments within the time prescribed by public notice.
True copy from the Minutes.
July 1, 1836. JAMES S. GREEN, Secretary. 33-1f

At a late Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Wilmington and Raleigh Rail Road Company, the following Resolutions were passed and ordered to be published.
Resolved—That a Discount be allowed, at the rate of six per cent per annum, for all anticipated payments of subscriptions to the stock of this Company; to be estimated after the payments of other subscribers, shall have been made; and the amount then refunded agreeably to the same.
Resolved—That Interest be allowed on all Instalments paid not less than thirty days before they are due.
True Copy from the Minutes.
December 23th, 1836. JAMES S. GREEN, Secr.

Notice to Timber Getters.
The Company is now prepared to receive proposals for the supply of Rails, Sills, and Bridge-timber, to be delivered along the line of the Road, from this place to Kennaville. Apply to Gen. A. McRae, and Mr. M. T. Goldborough, Assistant Engineer, or to the Subscriber.
WALTER GWYNN, Engineer to the Company. 33-1f
Aug 18, 1836.

NOTICE.
As Agent of the Rail Road I find it absolutely necessary to enforce the law against persons trading with negroes. This is therefore to warn all persons against trading with any of the hands on the Road, without an especial pass from myself or some one of the Engineers.
A. McRAE, Superintendent. 4-1f
Wilmington, Febr. 3d, 1837.

SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS.
THE Subscribers would invite the attention of the public to their new and rich supply of Spring and Summer Goods, received by recent arrivals from New-York and Philadelphia, comprising in part:
Superior striped and plaid Summer Cassimeres, do. Texan Cords, do. Cashmeres, assorted colours, do. Twilled and ribbed Crape Camlets, do. Plain do. do. Crape Lining, do. Bombazines, some extra super. Rail Road Stripes, Rowan Cassimeres, Frenches, Superior White Wilmington Cord, Linnen Dressing, assorted, 48 inches, Plaid and Striped Molekin, Venetian Cord, Single milled Black Cassimeres, A large assortment of Stocks, latest Style, Embossed Satin Vesting, Snake-Skin do. do. Plaid do. do. Plain Black and Blue Black do. do. Super Charlie do. do. Fancy Welting do. do. Plain do. do. Quilted Marsailles do. do.

Muslins and Silk Goods.
Rich printed Muslins and Jackonets, French, English and Domestic Prints, Fancy Ginghams, a large assortment, Mourning do. some undressed, Two cases Scotch Ginghams, 6-4 Fancy Striped Muslins, Super Striped and cross, bar and plain Swiss Muslins, Cambric, Jackonet and Mull Muslins, Muslin and Lace Inserting and Edging, Linnen Cambric Hks., Lace and Muslin worked Collars, Muslin Bands do. Super 4-4 black Italian Silk, do. do. Sinech, do. do. Grosdeswiss, do. do. Blue-Black do. do. Fig and Pout do. do. Coloured Grosdenap, do. do. White Black and Blue, Black and White Satin, plain and figured, Satin Figured Manderine Lawn, Printed do. Fancy Handks., newest Fashions, Black Italian Crapes, wide for Veils, White do. do. Fashionable Veils, Goggles and Bandana Hks. Grass Cloth do. do. Lace Gloves and Mitts, Pic Nic do. do. Hosiery do. do. Ladies' unbleached embroidered Hose, Silk Hose, and Half Hose, Bonnets assorted—Leghorn Hats for children, Palm Leaf Hats.

Also
A large assortment of Hardware, Crockery, Hats and Shoes.
BRADLEY & DICKSON. 13-1-4
April 7th, 1837.

TIMBER LAND.

I WISH to sell at a fair price, 4 Tracts, of 640 Acres each, of well timbered Land, situated on both sides of Little Cohira, on South River, and Black Mingo run in Sampson county, and on Black Mingo and Black River Run in Currituck County. Persons wishing to purchase, can apply for particulars to me in Fayetteville, or to W. C. Lord, in Wilmington.
C. P. MALLET. 10 t-f.
March 17th, 1837.



\$50 Reward.

RANAWAY from the Subscriber, near Chapel Hill, on January 27th last, a Negro Fellow, named Amos, about 22 years of age. He is about 5 feet, 9 inches in height, dark complexion, slender built, stoops a little forward in walking, speaks low, but tolerably quick when spoken to; his upper teeth on the right side are somewhat defective. When last heard of he was on the road to Wilmington, where I purchased him of John W. Hamilton, on the 1st day of November last. He took with him a small Bay Mare, with blazed face, one white foot, and hip-shot in her left hip. The above reward will be given to any person who deliver him to me or secure him in such way that I may get him again.
BURRHUS CHEEK, Chapel Hill, Orange Co., N. C. 5 t-f.
February 10th, 1837.

\$10 REWARD.

ABSCONDED on Sunday the 6th instant, from the residence of Mrs. Elizabeth Kea, in Bladen County, a Negro Fellow by the name of Peter. He is five feet 6 or 7 inches in height, of dark complexion, shows his teeth when spoken to, has three or four small scars on the breast, took with him a copper watch, and clothing consisting of old black coat, and blue Sattinet Pantaloons with others not recollected. Peter was formerly owned by William Kea deceased, and is said to have a Wife at Robert McRackan's on Town Creek where he is no doubt well known, his former master having resided in that neighborhood for a number of years. He is also well known in Wilmington. The above reward will be paid for his confinement in Gaol, or delivery to me in Bladen county.
J. M. GILLESPIE, Administrator. 5 t-f.
Wilmington, November, 16th 1836. t-f.



\$100 Dollars Reward.

WILL be given for my man Ben, who absconded on the 16th inst. he is about five feet 9 or 10 inches high, and of very dark complexion—as Ben is very well known about here. I deem it unnecessary to give a more particular description of him. He has many relatives and acquaintances about Topsail Sound, it is likely he is lurking about there or in this place. The above reward will be given for his apprehension and delivery to me, or the Jailor of New-Hanover county, and an additional reward of fifty dollars for sufficient testimony to convict any white person of harbouring him.
A. M. LASPEYRE. 32-1f
Wilmington, Aug. 17, 1836.



\$10 Reward.

ROMEQ, aged about fifty years, of low stature, and copper coloured complexion, absconded about a month since. The above reward will be given for his delivery to me or to the Jailor of this County.
THOS. H. WRIGHT. 15 t-f.
Wilmington, April 21st, 1837.

SADDLE, HARNESS, and TRUNK MANUFACTORY.

THE Subscriber would inform his friends and the public, that he still continues business at the old stand of John A. Taylor, Esq. where he has just opened a general assortment of articles in his line, purchased by himself in New York. Thankful for past favors, he solicits a continued share of patronage.
N. B. Wanted, a journeyman harness maker, to whom, employment will constantly be given by the day or job.
Oct. 7, 1836. 40-1f.

FOR SALE.

Just received pr. Schr. Factor from New-York, and Schr. Flor del Mar, Boston.
30 Bbls. N. Y. City Prime Pork, Beef,
20 " No. 3 Mackerel,
20 " Fresh Potatoes,
50 " N. E. Rum,
20 Bags Rio Coffee,
30 Bundles Hay,
100 Drums fresh Figs,
and a fresh supply of

PATENT BALANCES and FURNITURE.

Apply to BARRY & BRYANT. 13 t-f.
March 31st, 1837.

Fayetteville and Western RAIL ROAD.

NOTICE is given that the Books of Subscription to the Stock of this Company are opened at the Bank of the State.
An instalment of Two Dollars on each share will be required at the time of subscribing.
By the Commissioners
JAMES OWEN,
ALEX. LAZARUS,
ALEX. ANDERSON. 7 t-f.
Wilmington, Feb. 24th, 1837.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

WILL be sold on Tuesday, the 16th inst. at the Store lately occupied by Salmon Strong, all the Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, in said Store; also, all the Goods, Wares and Merchandize of said Salmon Strong in the warehouse of Jacob H. Brewster, near his Auction Store, levied upon by virtue of an Execution to me directed, Frederick J. Hill vs. Salmon Strong. OWEN FENNEL, Sheriff. 17 t-f.
May 5th, 1837.

FOR SALE.

5000 lbs. Bacon, Hams and Shoulders.
50 Barrels, N. E. Rum.
150 Tierces Rice, whole and half Coaks.
300 Sacks Liverpool Ground Sait.
70 Kegs Nails, assorted.
20 Bbls. No. 3 Mackerel.
25 bbls. Fayette Flour.
40 Boxes Manufactured Tobacco.
Hhds. Leaf Tobacco.
75 Boxes and Quarter Boxes Raisins.
6 Casks Best Winter Sperm Oil.
Holland Gin, and French Brandy, Pipe and Half Pipes.
15 Boxes of 2 doz. Bottles } best Madeira
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5 Quarter Casks do. } Wine.
Buck Shot. Coffee in Barrels and Bags.
4 Cases Indigo. 10 Boxes Soap.
Apply to
R. W. BROWN, & SON. 16 3-t.
Wilmington, April 28th, 1837.

Valuable Property

FOR SALE.
THAT valuable Plantation in the County of Brunswick, known by the name of Walden, situated near the sea shore, about forty miles from Wilmington, on the Georgetown (S. C.) main road, and seven miles from the State line, containing 1500 acres, or more, 3 to 400 acres of which is in high swamp, and well adapted to the culture of Cotton, Corn, Oats, Peas, or any thing else. This land is so situated, that the water which falls upon it, runs off in opposite directions, emptying itself into Little River on the West, and Shallotte River on the East, which prevents its ever being inundated by freshets. About 25 or 30 acres is now under cultivation, and will produce as much as I know, as any land in the State. The balance is well covered with White and other Oaks, Black and Sweet Gum, Ash, Poplars, Swamp Palmetto, &c. &c. The residue of the tract is of Hammock and Pine land, calculated for Timber, Turpentine, Tar, &c. The range for Cattle is excellent, having the benefit of a large salt marsh, and the Hog range and are to be obtained within one and a half miles of the settlement, in great abundance. The advantages of Shallotte and Little Rivers are very great, when vessels of considerable size can approach within five to seven miles of the settlement, and carry produce to any market. The settlements are new, and in pretty good order; the water is excellent, and the situation not only pleasant, but very healthy. I will sell the place as it now stands, a part of the crop planted, and the balance under way, with a good stock of Cattle and Hogs, Oxen, Carts, plantation Tools, and about 200 Bushels of Corn, Fodder, Pease, &c., and hire the Negroes for the balance of the year.
Also:
1000 to 1500 acres of Turpentine land, with four tasks of new boxes cut, work shops, &c. attached, situated on Smith's Creek, about five or six miles from Town, and about two from the Creek, where flats can receive Turpentine or Tar at any season, and in one tide bring it to Town.
My Terms shall be made accommodating.
HENRY NUTT. 11 t-f.
Wilmington, March 24th, 1837.

Persons indebted to me are respectfully invited to call and settle, as further indulgence cannot be granted.
H. N.

HENRY NUTT,

PROPRIETOR OF
The Eagle Distillery,
and Dealer in Naval Stores,
is prepared to supply orders for Spirits of Turpentine, Bright and Black Varnish, Rosin, Pitch, &c.
Wilmington, March 24th, 1837. 11 t-f.

PLANING MILL.

THE Wilmington Planing Mill has been rebuilt, and is now in operation. A Stock of well seasoned flooring boards is on hand, and orders will be punctually attended to.
Apply to
February 10th, 1837. A. LAZARUS. 5 t-f.

FOR SALE AT THIS OFFICE, THE Following Blanks, Viz

Bills of Sale for Negroes, Charter Parties, Notes of Hand, Duds, Bills of Exchange, Bills of Lading, Shipping Articles, Writs of Ejectment, Crew Lists, Inward Foreign Manifests, Outward Foreign Manifests, Entry of Merchandise, Cape-Feat Bank Checks, Bonds to appear and take the benefit of the Insolvent Act, Warrants, Ca. Sa's—Justice of the Peace, Fl. Fa's—Justice of the Peace, Subpoenas, Ca Sa's Superior Court, do. County Court, Bail Bonds, County & Sup. Court, Subpoenas, County Court, Sheriff's Recognizances—Superior and County Court, Venditioni Exponas, Constable's Levy, Administrator's Bonds and Bond, Appearance Bonds, Justice Peace, Slave Manifests, Coastman's Bonds, Negro Bonds, Inspector's Bills, Notes of Hand, bound in Books of 1 Quire each. Constables' bonds for the delivery of property under execution, Bills of Sale for Vessels, Power of Attorney, Bills of Sale, of Goods and Chattels, Tables of Gold Coins, Venditioni Exponas, Vendor's Returns.

WEST & MARBLE,

Dealers in STAPLE and FANCY DRY GOODS,
Ready made Clothing, Hats, Shoes, &c.
No. 19, Market Street, WILMINGTON. 15 t-f.
April 21st, 1837.

Family Supplies.

6000 lbs. choice BACON, for family use,
16 Bbls. first quality LARD,
100 Drums fresh FIGS.
Also on hand:
A good assortment of
Family Groceries,
of the best quality, which are offered on reasonable terms. Customers are invited to call and examine.
PEDEN & RUSSELL. 15 t-f.
April 21st, 1837.

THE Steamboat Edmund P. McNair has commenced running from this place to Hallsville, Duplin county, and during the low stage of the river, will take freight on reasonable terms, to any place where a boat of her light draught of water can run. The E. P. McNair will, after being put in handsome order, commence running between this place and Smithville, on the 1st of June next, going and returning in the same day. For freight or passage, apply to
Wm. SOUTHERLAND, or O. L. KELLY, Agent. 15 t-f.
Wilmington, April 21st, 1837.

Molasses, Sugar and Coffee.

Just received pr. Polly, Pilgrim, and Chickatabut,
200 Hhds. Molasses,
50 Bags Cuba Coffee,
6 Hhds. and 20 Bbls. Sugar,
And for sale in lots, at market price, by
BARRY & BRYANT. 15 t-f.
Wilmington, April 21st, 1837.

Fresh Meat.

THE Subscriber has commenced butchering, and taken a Stall on the South side the Market House, which will be regularly served up with the choicest meats that can be procured. Every attention will be paid to please his customers, and no exertion shall be spared to render his Stall inviting to those who may be disposed to patronize the market.
JOSEPH M. TILLY. 14 5-t.
April 14th, 1837.

FOR SALE.

Just received, and for Sale by the Subscriber:
50 Bales Hay,
50 Kegs of first quality Lard.
J. H. BREWSTER. 4-1f
February 3d, 1837.

T. H. BYRNE

HAS just returned from the North, and is now opening at his old Stand, north side Market Street, an entirely new and handsome Assortment of Spring and Summer Goods. Also, a general Assortment of Hardware, Cutlery, Groceries, Drugs, &c. All of which will be sold at the lowest prices the market can afford. He most respectfully requests his former customers, and the public generally, to call and examine. He feels assured he will not fail to give satisfaction to all who may favor him with their patronage.
Wilmington, April 14th, 1837. 14 t-f

Molasses.

35 Hogheads Superior Quality,
For Sale in Lots to suit Purchasers, by
BARRY & BRYANT. 14 t-f.
April 14th, 1837.

Just received from New-York,
50 Bags Rio, Cuba, and Laguaira Coffee,
F. F. F. Dupont's Powder,
Bags Shot, all sizes,
N. E. Rum,
Claret Wine, in Bottles,
Lemon Syrup.
Also a new and splendid assortment of
Spring and Summer DRY GOODS.
For Sale at low prices by
SAML. N. CANNON. 14 t-f.
April 14th, 1837.

ALL persons having borrowed Books from the Subscriber, are hereby requested to return the same, or pay for them. Also those who are indebted to me either by Note or Account or otherwise, will confer a favour by calling and settling. And I also warn the public from trusting or trading with any person whatever on my account, as I will not be responsible, without my written order.
H. R. FOY. 13 13-t.
April 7th, 1837.

Wanted by the Subscriber

OAK and Bay Bark, for which the following price, in cash, will be paid on delivery, viz:
\$ 6 00 pr. Cord for Oak, and
\$ 3 50 do for Bay,
delivered in good order.
JOHN J. HEWETT. 13 t-f.
April 7th, 1837.

Wood Wanted.

300 CORDS of Pitch Pine or Light Wood, at Smithville, and 200 Cords, at the Rail Road Depot in Wilmington, are wanted immediately.
1000 Cords to be delivered along the line of the Wilmington and Raleigh Rail Road, within 15 miles of this place, prior to the 1st of August next. Proposals will be received for furnishing the above, at the office of the Wilmington and Raleigh Rail Road Company, by
JAS. OWEN, President,
or ALEX. McRAE, Superintd. 15 t-f.
April 21st, 1837.

Poetry.



HOW AND WHEN TO WOO.

BY WILLIAM C. BRYANT.
Dost thou truly ask to hear
At what gentle seasons
Nymphs relent, when lovers near
Press the tenderest reasons?
Ah they give their faith too oft,
To the careless wooer;
Maiden's heart's are always soft,
Would that men's were truer!
Woo the fair one when around,
Early birds are singing;
When o'er all the fragrant ground,
Early herbs are springing;
When the brookside, bank and grove,
All with blossoms laden,
Shine with beauty, breathe of love—
Woo the timid maiden.
Woo her when, with rosy blush,
Summer eve is sinking,
When on rills that softly gush,
Stars are softly winking;
When through boughs that knit the lower,
Moonlight gleams are stealing,
Woo her, till the gentle hour,
Wakes a gentler feeling.
Woo her when autumnal dyes
Tinge the woody mountain;
When the drooping foliage lies
In the half choked fountain,
Let the scene that tells how fast
Youth is passing over,
Warn her, ere her bloom is past,
To secure her lover.
Woo her when the north winds call
At the lattice nightly;
When within the cheerful hall,
Blaze the faggots brightly;
With the wintry tempest round
"Sweeps the landscape hoary,
Sweeter in her ear shall sound
Love's delightful story.

THE DRUNKARD'S DEATH.

FROM A SKETCH BY BOZ.
One bitter night, he sank down on a door step in Picadilly, faint and ill. The premature decay of vice and profligacy had worn him to the bone. His cheeks were hollow and livid; his eyes were sunken, and their sight was dim! His legs trembled beneath his weight; and a cold shiver ran through every limb. And now the long forgotten scenes of a misspent life crowded thick and fast upon him—He thought of the time when he had a home, a happy cheerful home, and of those who peopled it, and flocked about him then, until the forms of his elder children seemed to rise from the grave and stand about him; so clear, so distinct they were that he could touch and feel them. Looks that he had long forgotten were fixed upon him once more—voices long since hushed in death sounded in his ears like village bells, but it was only for an instant. The rain beat down heavily upon him, and cold and hunger were gnawing at his heart again.

He raised his head and looked up the long dismal street. He recollected that outcasts like himself condemned to wander day and night in those dreadful streets had sometimes gone distracted with their own loneliness. He remembered to have heard many years before that a homeless wretch had been found in a solitary corner sharpening a rusty knife to plunge into his own heart—preferring death to that endless weary, wandering to and fro. In an instant his resolve was taken; his limbs received new life; he ran quickly from the spot, and paused not for breath until he reached the river side. He crept softly down the steep stone stairs that led from the commencement of the Waterloo bridge to the water's level. He crouched into a corner, and held his breath, as the patrol passed. Never did a prisoner's heart throb with hope of life and liberty so eagerly as did that of the wretched man with the prospect of death. The watch passed close by him, but he remained unobserved—and, after awaiting till the sound of footsteps had died away in the distance, he cautiously descended, and stood beneath the gloomy arch that forms the landing place from the river.

The tide was in, and the water was at his feet. The rain had ceased, and all was for the moment, still and quiet—so quiet that the slightest sound on the opposite bank, even the rippling of the water against the barges that were moored there, was distinctly audible to his ear. The stream stole languidly and sulkily on. Strange and fantastic forms rose to the surface and beckoned him to approach; dark gleaming eyes peered from the water, and seemed to mock his hesitation; while hollow murmurs from behind urged him onwards.—He retreated a few paces, took a short run, a desperate leap, and plunged into the river. Not five seconds had passed when he rose to the water's surface; but what a change had taken place in that short time in all his thoughts and feelings!—Life,

in any form, poverty, misery, starvation, any thing but death! He fought and struggled with the water that closed over his head, and screamed in agonies of terror. The curse of his own son rang in his ears. The shore but one foot of dry ground, he could almost touch the step. One hand's breath nearer, and he was saved; but the tide bore him onward under the dark arches of the bridge, and he sank to the bottom. Again he rose, and struggled for life; for one instant, one brief instant, the buildings on the river's banks, the lights on the bridge thro' which the current had borne him, the black water, the fast flying clouds, were distinctly visible, once more he sunk, and once again he rose, bright flames of fire shot up from the earth to heaven, and reeled before his eyes, while the water thundered in his ears and stunned him with its furious roar.

The Horrors of Solitary Confinement.

—"At my first arrest," resumed Gerardi, "I was transported to a dungeon in the citadel of Turin, so framed as to render communication impossible, even with my gaoler. My food was conveyed to me by a turning box inserted in the wall; and during a whole month, not the slightest sound interrupted the stillness of my solitude. It needs to have undergone all I then experienced, fully to comprehend the fallacy of that savage philosophy which denies society to be the natural condition of the human species. The wretch condemned to isolation from his kind, is a wretch indeed. To hear no human voice, to meet no human eye, to be denied the pressure of a human hand, to find only cold and inanimate objects on which to rest one's brow—one's breast—one's heart—is a privation to which the strongest might fall a victim! The month I then endured weighed like years upon my nature; and when, every second, day I discerned the footsteps of my gaoler in the corridor, coming to renew my provisions, the mere sound caused my heart to leap within me. While the box was turning round I used to strain my eyes in hopes to catch, at the crevice, the slightest glimpse of his face, his hand, his very dress—and my disappointment drove me to despair. Could I have discerned a human face, even bearing the characters of cruelty or wickedness, I should have thought it full of beauty; and had the man extended his arms towards me in kindness, have blessed him with the consolation! But the sight of a human face was denied me till the day of my liberation. To Fenestrella; and my only resource consisted in feeding the reptiles which shared my captivity, and in meditating upon my absent child! At length a favorable change befel me even in my dungeon. I discovered, by means of a straggling ray of light, a crevice produced by the insertion of an iron cross by way of support into the walls of my dungeon; which, though it enabled me to obtain an oblique glimpse of the opposite wall, became a source of exquisite enjoyment. My cell happened to be situated under the keep of the citadel; and one blessed day, I noticed for the first time, the shadow of a man distinctly reflected upon the wall. A sentinel had doubtless been posted on the platform over my head; for the shadow went and came, and I could distinguish the form of the man's uniform, the epaulette, the knapsack, the point of his bayonet—the very vacillation of his feather! Till evening extinguished my resource, I remained at my post; and how shall I describe the thrill of joy with which I acknowledged so unexpected a consolation! I was no longer alone—I had once more a living companion!—Next day, and days succeeding, the shadow of another soldier appeared; the sentinels were ever changing, but my enjoyment was the same. It was always a man—always a fellow creature I knew to be near me; a living, breathing fellow creature, whose movements I could watch, and whose disposition conjecture. When the moment came for relieving guard, I welcomed the new comer, and bade good by to his predecessor. I knew the corporal by sight, I could recognise the different profiles of the men, nay, (dare I avow such a weakness?) some among them were objects of my predilection. The attitude of their persons, or comparative vivacity of their movements, became so many indications of character, from which their age and sentiments might be inferred. One paced gaily along, turning lightly on his heel, balancing his musket in sport, or waving his head in cadence to the air he was whistling; he was doubtless young and gay, cheered by the visions of happiness and love. Another paced along, with his brow inclining, pausing often, and leaning with his arms crossed upon his musket, meditating mournfully, perhaps upon his distant village, his absent mother, his childhood's friends. He passed his hand rapidly over his eyes—perhaps to dash away the tears gathered by these tender retrospections! For many of these shadows I felt a lively interest, an inexplicable compassion; and the balm thus called into existence within my bosom, shed its soothing influence over my fate. Trust me, my good young friend, the truest happiness we derive from our sympathy with our fellow creature."—Picala, or Captivity Confess.