

FOR THE STAR.



THE DREDGE BOAT.

At midnight, all is quiet, all is calm. Mild sleep diffuses its refreshing balm; No busy care disturbs the peaceful mind; But all reposing, sweet enjoyment find. The moon puts forth her lovely beaming face; And moves in silence with majestic grace; Softly, smoothly the crystal river flows; And on its bosom the wild fowl repose; Yon graceful vesper in its soft career; Magnificently grand lay motions; There seems a nether moon and azure sky, Which with its ethereal in beauty vie. Fair WASHINGTON now lies in sleep profound. And unsexed spirits sport themselves around. Oh why is nature so sublime at night! Least she should be profaned by vulgar sight! But hark! upon the ear there bursts a shriek! Sleep flies, and death-like paleness strikes the cheek! And still increase appalling shrieks to hear. Which thrill the just now fancy-ravished ear. Durate on the glaring eye a vivid light, Ten'd which a thousand rush with all their might. Upon the lovely river's bosom blaze Bright streaming flames, and frightful to the gaze. A boat propelled by steam, great size, To which are turned all willy willy eyes, Which erst upon its path would onward urge, And stem with pride the angry roaring surge, And ploughing through the shoals with power-ent force, Would leave behind a channel in its course; Which but few moments since lay calm and still. Is wrapt in flames, which with wild splendor fill. All nature round: Oh, awful is the sight As streams the raging flames so dazzling bright; For as they fiercely rage four wretches cry, "Save us! with shrieks which well might terrify. Though loud they shriek and frantic make each voice, All in vain! no help can heavers bring; But 'neath the burr a little sisk is sped; Two men are cutting in the vessel's side; To reach those screaming wretches hard they strive, And fast with force their axes in they drive. In vain sail the furious flames prevail; They sadly find that all their efforts fail. Still one faint gleam of hope remains to save, And that was almost certain death to brave. They cry—'as fore and aft the fierce flames sweep—' Rush through the flames and in the river leap; Though desperate, this is your hope alone. If there you stay, one moment—'you are gone. Then rush, oh rush, nor wait a moment more; Rush now, or clear all hope for you is o'er.' "Oh save us, save us" still they loudly cry, "We cannot, cannot" is the sad reply. In vain to urge them on they loudly call; Nothing to save them, can they do at all. Alas! ye doomed the saddest death to meet, Why stay ye there, and those wild shrieks repeat. The little skiff endangered, rows away, Leaves the sad place of terror and dismay. Lo! through the flames, with dread destruction rife, A man there rushes deep-rate for his life: Thrice mist the flames which wrap his dangerous course, His foot breaks through the burning deck with force; Thrice falls he, and thrice rising, furious springs; Another leap, him to the water brings; And now a plunge is heard, deep deep he sinks below. Escaped the fire, but not the water's foe; Built rising soon, each feeble nerve he strains; At length the shore almost exhausted gains. Though sadly burnt, he's taken up alive, And will, if well attended, yet survive. The other three—'Oh have they followed him? Ah no! but hear how fearfully they scream! All chance is gone, they shriek aloud in vain; No gleam of hope shall come to them again. A dismal shriek is heard—the flames decrease, Shrieks, crackling flames, and shouting embers cease. Ah, how the ruddy cheek was charged to deadly white! Ah, how the heart was frozen at a sudden sight! 'To-morrow, and in the copper shell are found Some crumbled bones 'midst mingled ashes round! There lay three hearts—a hideous sight to see! Half eaten by flames—most horribly!— Three hearts, which but few hours ago did beat With ecstasy, in sleep reposing sweet. Y.

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LINES ON RETURNING HOME TO N. CAROLINA FROM A VISIT TO THE NORTH. Old Rip, my own dear native State, How fondly I return to thee! Thy name sounds not to others great, But thou art great to me. To Northern States and climes I've been, A traveler in that blasted land; I've heard the mob's loud clam'rous din, Where Freedom's Temple would stand. I've seen the wretched 'habitants Of cities, towns and villages; Where Ruin stalks about and haunts The proudest with her images. And I have seen those who abuse Our southern rights and liberties; Those vile fanatics, who misuse That freedom God to some denial. And I did loathe them in my sight; Who aim and whose avowed delight, Is to submerge in blood this land. Set from my country! thou art free From mob and poverty extreme; The north may curse thy slavery, And of emancipation dream! But thou, with all thy evils, art With her compared, a paradise; Oh! thou and I will never part, While Freedom's Sun shall glim thy skies. How wretched are thy sunny plains With cotton, wheat and corn 'erpress'd! Here all the year contentment reigns, Yet even in the Negro's shod. No pauperism in thy domain, Has stain'd on yet thy honest fame; O may'st thou stand erect and gain A high exalted name! Thou welcome my dear native State, I sleep thy nearest to my breast, And, tho' thought not by others great, Of all, I like thee best. PAFANY.

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READY MADE CLOTHING. I have in my employ first rate Northern Workmen, and will venture to assert that, for neatness and durability, work executed by one will not be excelled by any other house in the Union. Work executed to order from the most splendid and durable materials. I have in my employ first rate Northern Workmen, and will venture to assert that, for neatness and durability, work executed by one will not be excelled by any other house in the Union. Work executed to order from the most splendid and durable materials. I have in my employ first rate Northern Workmen, and will venture to assert that, for neatness and durability, work executed by one will not be excelled by any other house in the Union. Work executed to order from the most splendid and durable materials.

NEW BOOT AND SHOE MANUFACTORY. The subscriber would respectfully inform the citizens of Raleigh and its vicinity, that he has commenced the above business, east of the Capital Square, three doors north of Mr. William Beck's Store, on Wilmington Street, where he is prepared to execute all orders in his line. Having first rate workmen in his employ and a stock of good materials, he feels confident that, for neatness and durability, his work will not be surpassed by any. He hopes by his unremitting attention to business and a desire to please, to merit the confidence and support of the public. HENRY PORTER, Raleigh, May 15, 1857.

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA. THE PUBLIC EXAMINATION of the University of North Carolina, will begin at Chapel Hill, on Monday, the 12th day of June next, and continue from day to day until Thursday, the 22nd, which last mentioned day is appointed for the ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT of the College. The following Trustees form the Committee of Visitation: His Excellency, Edward R. Dudley, ex-Gov. of N. C., Hon. H. L. Swain, Pres't College, Hon. Geo. R. Badger, Dr. S. J. Baker, Hon. John L. Bailey, John H. Bryan, Esq., Hon. J. M. Cason, Col. Jas. W. Clarke, Col. Isaac Croom, John H. J. Daniel, Esq., John D. Hawkins, Esq., Maj. Cha's. L. Hinton, Hon. Louis B. Henry, Edward Jones, Esq., Hon. Willie P. Mangum, Charles Manly, Esq., Hon. Frederick Nash, Gen. S. F. Patterson, Gen. Thomas G. Polk, Hon. R. M. Saunders, Hon. Thomas Settle, Dr. James S. Smith, Hon. R. D. Spaight, Hon. John D. Tomner, Hon. Lewis Williams.

30 Prizes amounting to \$10,000. 30 Prizes of \$1,000. North Carolina State Lottery, Class No. 11, for 1857. To be drawn at Raleigh, N. C. on Saturday the 10th June, 1857. 75 Number Lottery, 11 drawn Balls. Scheme. 30 prizes of \$2,000; 30 prizes of \$1,000; 30 prizes of \$400; 20 prizes of \$300; 20 prizes of \$200; 45 prizes of \$125; 64 prizes of \$100, &c. Whole Tickets \$5, Halves \$2 50, Quarters \$1 25. A certificate for a package of 25 whole tickets will cost \$75 00, 25 half do \$33 00, 25 quarter do \$19 00.

80 Prizes of \$1,000. NORTH CAROLINA STATE LOTTERY, For the benefit of the Salisbury Academy, Class No. 12, for 1857. To be drawn at Hillsborough, N. C. On Saturday, 24th of June, 1857. 75 No. Lottery, 11 Drawn Balls. Scheme. 80 prizes of \$1,000, 20 prizes of \$400, 20 prizes of \$200, 45 prizes of \$125, 64 prizes of \$100, &c. Whole Tickets \$5, Halves \$2 50, Quarters \$1 25. A certificate for a package of 25 whole tickets will cost \$76, Half \$38, Quarter \$19. To be had in the greatest variety of numbers either by the package or single ticket of STEVENSON & POINTS, Raleigh, N. C.

Office of the Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road. Notice is hereby given, that the fifth instalment of ten dollars per share, upon the Capital Stock of this Company, is required to be paid, on or before the first day of July next. Payments will be received at this Office, or by Samuel Mordant, Esq. Faversham, Va. By order of the Board of Directors. G. W. MORNINGSTAR, Pres't. May 5, 1857.

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For Sale, by Wholesale or Retail. 400 Pots of Gray's or Judkin's Ointment, manufactured and put up by William W. Gray, Patentee. 1000 Pots ditto, superior article, manufactured and put up by Jacob Van Wageningen, of New York, who was taught by the Patentee. All of which we warrant to be genuine and good; but if any which we may sell shall fail to cure, or give relief to the diseases enumerated below, when properly applied, the money will be refunded on application to the subscribers. This is truly an invaluable ointment or salve for the cure of sore legs, tumors, abscesses, old sores, sprains, bruises, and inflammation, and what is termed scald head in children, bites, plagues, and general discharges. A long list of certificates, from Gentlemen who have used the article with great success, can be seen at our store. All orders from our friends and customers will meet with the usual prompt attention. TURNER & HUGHES, 21 1/2 w.

FARMERS' HOTEL. The subscriber having taken that well known stand in the town of Hillsborough, THE FARMERS' HOTEL, formerly conducted by Mr. Turner, is prepared to entertain Travellers and Boarders; and hopes by strict attention and the goodness of his accommodations to all who may favor him with their custom. His charges will be as moderate as any other establishment of the kind in the place. WILLIAM PIPPER, Feb. 21, 1857. 10 3m

NOTICE. Will be sold on Friday the 14th July next, before the Court House door, in the town of Plymouth, and county of Washington, the following tracts of land, or as much as will pay the taxes due for the year 1855, together with the costs of advertising the same: To Whom Belonging, No. of Acres, Tax Due, and Whose Lands Adjoining.

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1 Town Lot in Plymouth, No. not known, the property of Silas Murray, tax due \$1 50. 1 Town Lot in Plymouth, No. not known, the property of Wm. W. Walker, tax due \$2 40. Thomas Arnold 80 98 Aaron Spauld's Heirs and others. R. B. DAVIS, Sheriff Plymouth, May 16, 1857. \$3 7c

NOTICE. Will be sold, for cash, at the Court House door in Pittsborough, on Monday the 10th day of July next, the following tracts of land, or so much thereof as will pay the amount of taxes due for the year 1855, together with the cost of advertising.

Table with columns: No. ACRES, BELONGING TO, WATER COURSE, ADJOINING, LISTED BY, and Valuation. Lists land parcels and their details.

PROCLAMATION. By the Governor of North Carolina. 200 Dollars Reward. Whereas it has been made known to me by the verdict of an Inquest held by the Coroner, that A. G. Keys, of the county of Martin, was recently murdered in said county, and that George W. Colburn, of the county and State of North Carolina, stands charged with the commission of the said murder; and whereas it is represented that the said George W. Colburn is a fugitive from justice: Now, therefore, to the end that the said George W. Colburn may be apprehended and brought to trial, I have thought proper to issue this my proclamation, offering a reward of two hundred dollars, to any person or persons who will apprehend and bring him to the jail, or deliver him to the Sheriff of Martin county; and I do moreover hereby require all officers, whether civil or military, within this State, to use their best exertions to apprehend, or cause to be apprehended, the said fugitive.

LONDON PORTER. A few dozen first rate, just received, and for sale by N. O. BLAKE, 25 1/2 w.

JOHN G. MARSHALL. FAYETTEVILLE STREET, RALEIGH. Has just received an extensive and well selected supply of Groceries, amongst which are the following: Choice Brandy