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NEWBERN, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1858. [No. 11.]

Established in 1845. THE OLDEST DRY GOODS HOUSE IN NEWBERN. No. 34 POLLOCK STREET, OPPOSITE THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH. EMMET CUTHBERT, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN AMERICAN, ENGLISH, FRENCH & GERMAN DRY GOODS.

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Gaston House. SOUTH FRONT STREET, NEWBERN, N.C. WILLIAM P. MOORE, Proprietor. THE Subscriber having taken charge of the above Establishment, respectfully announces that it is now open for the accommodation of the Travelling Public and Boarders generally.

1858. SPRING AND SUMMER STYLES. LEWIS PHELPS, MERCHANT TAILOR, RESPECTFULLY ANNOUNCES TO THE CITIZENS OF NEWBERN AND VICINITY, THAT HE HAS RECEIVED HIS SPRING AND SUMMER STOCK OF READY-MADE CLOTHING.

NEW GOODS. Spring, 1858. GEORGE ALLEN, INVITES THE ATTENTION OF THE PUBLIC TO HIS NEW STOCK OF SPRING AND SUMMER DRY GOODS, SILK, CHALLI, TISSUE, BAREGE, LAWN, GINGHAM, AND PRINTED DRESS GOODS.

Ice! Ice!! THE NEWBERN ICE-HOUSE WILL BE OPENED FOR THE DELIVERY OF ICE every morning at sunrise, closing at sunset, except Sunday, when it will positively close at 9 o'clock.

DANIEL O'LEARY, GROCER, KEEPS CONSTANTLY ON HAND A COMPLETE Assortment of Family Groceries, such as Flour, Bacon, Lard, Butter, Sugar, &c., to which he calls the attention of the Public, as he will have good qualities of Groceries, and will sell them as cheap as can be had in Newbern.

Newbern. We took occasion, last week, to give some account of Carolina and Morehead Cities, with a promise that we would this week pay our respects to Newbern. On our way to the Ocean, we stopped at Newbern for a few days, and were so well pleased with the place that we determined on our return to tarry longer, and enjoy, for a season, the good things of this most pleasant and delightful town.

much of its beauty and interest is due to the taste and public spirit of Mr. Whitford, and, indeed, we were very fortunate in having him as a companion in our visit to the cemetery, as he appeared so familiar with every spot, pointed out many things of interest which otherwise would have escaped us, and detailed many interesting incidents connected with the distinguished dead, above whose ashes we were then walking.

Interesting Chapter on Snakes. A correspondent writing to the Richmond Examiner, from Healing Springs, Va., furnishes the following interesting sketch of a 'snake charmer's' exploits in that section: Among the wonders I have seen in this land of mineral wealth and water, sojourning in search of health, happiness and other curiosities, I witnessed yesterday and to-day one that almost passes comprehension and belief.

Children in a Runaway Balloon. TRILLING INCIDENT. On Friday last, a man named Wilson made an ascension from the Fair Grounds at Centralia, Illinois, in a balloon belonging to Brooks, the aeronaut. He descended about eighteen miles distant, at the farm of a Mr. Harvey. After the grappling irons had been made fast, Harvey, to amuse his children, one a boy of four years and the other a girl of eight years, placed them in the basket car and permitted them to ascend several times as high as the rope would allow.

SAM BREVOORT SITTING ON A YELLOW JACK SUBJECT.—While Sam Brevoort, of the Police Department, was down to Quarantine the other day, he stole a few moments from his arduous labors as Commissary to take a walk over the Quarantine grounds. After looking among the tents and new buildings erected, he seated himself on a large, rough box under the shade of a tree, and was quietly reflecting upon the unpoetic character of camp life, and the utter want of exalted sentiment in the employment of furnishing beef, bacon, beans, potatoes, bread and butter for sixty policemen.

Having set out to relate this affair in the simplicity of truth, I will now close by telling the whole truth: Mr. Wirsan has at last been bitten. The accident occurred in this wise: he, yesterday, after his exhibition, engaged to charm an enormous Virginia Rattlesnake—belonging to a young man in the hotel—perfectly wild and vicious. This morning he attempted to fulfill his engagement, and, as before, was disappointed in obtaining musical help at the time appointed. He began his manipulations, as all

who saw it say, with too little care and patience, and in an unguarded moment was struck by the snake in the joint of the index finger of the left hand. This single exception does not disprove the rule or weaken his position, but, on the contrary, to my mind, rather tends to establish it; for it proves beyond all doubt his sincerity and honesty of opinion, and his entire self-confidence against all odds. And his former success leaves no doubt upon the minds of any of his intelligent spectators of his strange and unaccountable power over the serpent tribe.

He would not submit to the usual plan, but persisted in taking a powdered bean, called 'cedon,' I think—a famous California remedy. I submit these facts, which are facts, as hundreds now can testify—simply as facts—leaving you and your readers to elaborate such theories as may best accord with pre-existing notions or established axioms; but can't refrain from adding, there are certain old sayings that can no longer hold true, viz., 'That a snake will not strike unless in coil,' and that 'a Rattlesnake always gives warning before he strikes.' This is in no wise true. The coil is not a necessary condition, nor does the rattle show any such magnanimity.

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Saturday evening, at daybreak, a farmer near New Carthage, forty-three miles distant from Mr. Harvey's place, discovered the balloon suspended in the air, attached by the grappling rope to a tree in the yard. He immediately hauled the balloon down, and found the youngest child asleep in the bottom of the basket, and the eldest carefully watching over her little brother. They had been wafted about by different currents of air throughout the night, and had come to a halt but a little while before they were relieved.

The story the girl told was that, as the balloon ascended, she cried piteously to her father to pull it down. She said she passed over a town where she saw a great many people, to whom she likewise appealed at the top of her voice. This place was Centralia. The balloon was seen to pass over there, but the people little imagined that it carried two persons in such danger. Her little brother cried with cold, and the heroic girl took off her apron, covered him, and got him to sleep. In handing the ropes, she happened to pull one which had the effect of bringing the balloon down, and although not understanding the philosophy of the movement, she was quite content to keep the valve open, so long as by so doing she found she approached the earth.

The youthful aerial voyagers were in the balloon about thirteen hours and a quarter. It may easily be imagined that among the neighbors where they landed they were the objects of much curiosity and interest. The girl's presence of mind and loving consideration for her brother may well entitle her to remembrance; while the incident itself was of such a remarkable character that we opine it will not soon be forgotten in that section.

The boy and girl were conveyed home as soon as practicable, and it is needless to say were received with outstretched arms.

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