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### BUSINESS CARDS.

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Prompt attention to all business  
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PREPARED TO DO ALL KINDS  
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Has every modern convenience to facilitate  
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HARRILL opened a Tin Shop in A. R.  
Esquire's old stand, Shelby, N. C.,  
and solicited the patronage of those needing tin  
ware, Tin Roofing and Gutting, Valley  
Tin, Sheet Iron, Copper, &c. Satisfaction  
guaranteed in every respect.

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—DEALER IN—  
BOOKS, STATIONERY, ARTISTS'  
Materials, etc. No effort will be  
made to sell anything in his line, call on him at the  
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Fashionable Barber and Hair-Dresser,  
SHELBY, N. C.  
HAVING secured an expert assistant  
is prepared to do all tonsorial work  
in first class style. He has moved into his  
new shop south of the court house, and  
is neatly furnished.

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SHELBY, N. C.  
J. W. CLARKE, Proprietor.  
THE best furnished and best kept hotel  
in the Western part of the State. Per-  
fect satisfaction guaranteed. Public  
patronage solicited.

**GUTHRIE HOUSE,**  
Rutherfordton, N. C.  
THE undersigned has taken charge of  
the above named house and will en-  
deavor to keep his tables supplied with the  
best market affords. Parties meeting all  
pains in making his guests comfortable.  
Rates reasonable.

**THE AIR LINE HOTEL,**  
Black's, S. C.  
ONE of the Neatest, Cleanest and  
Best kept hotels in the State.  
Careful attention at all times.  
Mrs. M. E. BLANTON,  
Proprietress.

**MERCHANT'S HOTEL,**  
BLACK'S, S. C.  
THIS House is conveniently situated on  
Main Street, to the Depot and busi-  
ness part of town and has been newly fur-  
nished with spring beds and mattresses.  
Tables furnished with the best market  
affords. Polite servants who give every  
attention to guests. Parties meeting all  
pains in making his guests comfortable.  
Sample room a la house. First-  
class Livery Stables attached.

**Forest City Hotel,**  
FOREST CITY, N. C.  
L. N. BIGGERSTAFF, PROPRIETOR  
HOUSE and furniture new. Every  
thing in first-class style. Rates low.

### A NEW MORNING.

How rich am I to whom the Orient sends  
Such gifts as yonder fair and liberal  
day.  
Whose argosy descends the mist bar-  
ge,  
And now its shining length of cable  
spends,  
Upon its decks are signal waving  
friends,  
Who by their every jocund token  
say:  
"Hence, from thy spirit put distrust  
away,  
This bounteous thy slackened fortune  
meads!  
We've divined from the soft gray tree of  
peace,  
And damask apples heaped for thee in  
sport  
By the blighting fumes of young Aurora's  
court,  
And myth thy heart in worship to re-  
lease,  
This freight is thine for power's and joy's  
increase;  
Oh! be no longer doubtful—day's in  
port."  
—Independent

### A GIRL'S SACRIFICE.

The saying of the Psalmist, that  
"weeping may endure for a night, but  
joy cometh in the morning," some-  
times appears to be woefully reversed  
in the human experience. Out of the  
sunshine of a great sadness the sub-  
ject of the parental chastening steps  
into the shadow of disappointment and  
loss. The fair skies are overcast, and  
the poor, fluttering heart trembles at  
the on-rolling storm.

It was thus with Agatha Trenton.  
On the heels of a well-nigh bewildering  
happiness had come a crushing  
disaster.  
Agatha was the daughter of a Brake-  
shire clergyman, and was the eldest of  
a somewhat numerous family. Her  
mother, for several years, had been a  
complete invalid, and on Agatha's  
shoulders rested the burden of house-  
hold management. It was not a light  
one. The vicar of Hiltworth had no  
private means, and his income from  
tithes and endowment was not large.  
There was need for considerable  
scheming and for continual self-denial,  
if the finance of the vicarage was to be  
ordered honestly in the sight of all  
men. It was probably the pressure of  
this load of care that made Agatha  
Trenton so different from other girls.  
At twenty-two there were those among  
her acquaintances who openly spoke of  
her as old-fashioned. She was fair of  
feature and graceful of figure; the  
most captious of critics was forced to  
admit so much. But there was about  
her a reticence, a peculiar, subdued  
air that seemed to shut her off behind  
walls of mental isolation.

"Agatha is a good girl—I only wish  
I were half as useful; but she'll never  
marry," said vivacious Mabel Sutton  
to a friend. "Agatha keeps too much  
in the background; no lover will ven-  
ture to approach."  
It was an erring prophecy. In less  
than a fortnight from the evening of  
its utterance, the friend who had so  
gravely listened to it, had placed him-  
self and his fortune at Agatha's feet.  
Roderick Dalling was a good match.  
He was proprietor of the mill which  
had just been opened at the north end  
of Hiltworth, and which was destined  
—or local opinion was mistaken—  
to revolutionize the hitherto quiet mid-  
land town. He had a handsome pres-  
ence, an irreproachable character, the  
assurance of a moderate competency.  
"My love is not the growth of yester-  
day," he pleaded. "It has been de-  
veloping day by day for months; it  
grows stronger with every glimpse I  
get of you, with every word I hear you  
speak. Give me an answer, Miss  
Trenton—Agatha."

She maiden was rosy with surprise,  
and she trembled at the vehemence of  
the young man's avowal. But already  
her heart was enlisted on Roderick's  
side, and before he left her she had  
shyly confessed the truth.  
"I cannot deny that I do care a lit-  
tle," she stammered; "but, indeed I  
cannot promise what you ask—this af-  
ternoon; I must have time to think.  
There are difficulties—"  
Agatha was listening, as she spoke,  
to the echoes of noisy voices in the  
nursery, and before her mental retina  
rose the picture of her pale, suffering  
mother in the adjoining room. If she  
consented to forsake her home, the vicar  
would have to engage a house-  
keeper.

I understand it all," Roderick re-  
plied, gently. "Nevertheless, I believe  
even you, father—who must of necessity  
lose if I gain—will advise you to say  
'yes.' I will call tomorrow and  
know my fate, Miss Trenton."  
The morrow came, but the vicar of  
Hiltworth could answer no question of  
human lips. In the night-watches the  
Master's messenger had visited the  
bedside of the faithful tutor, Francis  
Trenton had gone home. It was heart  
disease, the physician said, from which,  
unsuspected even by himself, he had  
probably been in danger many years.  
The outlook for Agatha was entirely  
changed. When the last sad offices for  
the dear one had been fulfilled it was

### NEED TO LOOK THE FUTURE FAIRLY IN THE FACE; AND THIS FORECAST WAS FAR FROM AGREEABLE.

An insurance policy for no very  
large sum represented the resources of  
the bereaved family. Mrs. Trenton  
was in despair. Fortunately, Agatha  
possessed a genuine talent for painting.  
She had already earned a slender  
store of gold by utilizing it, and now  
resolved to make a more extended and  
determined effort to conquer the ap-  
preciation of paying patrons. She  
must become, in a sterner sense than  
ever, the stay of the helpless house-  
hold.

With an instinctive delicacy, Roderick  
Dalling refrained, during these  
days of trial, from even the remotest  
reference to the offer he had made. He  
expressed sympathy; he afforded un-  
questioned assistance where an oppor-  
tunity disclosed itself. But of love he  
said nothing.  
Yet the girl knew that, though silent,  
he was simply biding his time. Sooner  
or later it was inevitable that an or-  
deal should arrive. Alone, in the soli-  
tude of her chamber, not seldom seen  
on her knees, she groped her way to a  
decision, and, having reached it, she  
held it fast. She had no right to ask  
any young man to wait indefinitely,  
and to the struggle she had entered  
she saw no limit within a long vista of  
years.

It was impossible that she  
should impose her burden upon Rod-  
erick, even if he were enamored  
enough to invite it. She must fight  
her own battle with her own brain and  
fingers. The young manufacturer was  
expecting his brother from the North  
shortly. The two would then settle  
down together, and Roderick could  
find a wife and house-mistress in—  
Agatha thought, with a pang—Mabel  
Sutton.

A whole month went by, and then  
Roderick ventured to speak.  
"Agatha, dearest," he said, "can  
you not give me the promise for which  
I am waiting? I hope this is not too  
hasty an appeal, but I hear that Dr.  
Royal is about to move from Brighton  
villa, and—and if you give me per-  
mission, I will take the house; it is a  
commodious one."  
It was one of the largest and best in  
Hiltworth; and the suggestion showed  
very closely that Roderick Dalling de-  
sired to surround his wife with every  
comfort, and even luxury. But Agatha  
was firm. Duty demanded the sacri-  
fice of sweet young hopes, and though  
now and again her heart beat within  
her at the thought of the lonely life-  
time that might lie ahead, the impera-  
tive claim should be obeyed.

"I thank you very much for the honor  
you have done me, Mr. Dalling," she  
replied, with the faintest perceptible  
quiver in her tone; "but I must refuse.  
I told her there were obstacles; they  
are quite insuperable."  
"Quite! May I not help you to over-  
come them, Agatha?"  
"No, no!" she cried, hastily; "in-  
deed, it cannot be. If—if you care as  
you say—and as I believe—leave me,  
look for some one else. Probably I  
shall never marry. There are other  
girls."  
"To me there is but one in the wide  
world," he answered hoarsely; "still,  
I will not annoy you; I will wait. Good-  
day, Agatha."  
The conflict was over now, and the  
victory won. In the refuge of her own  
room, a flood of tears came to the maid-  
en's eyes. But something of thankfulness  
for a vanquished temptation  
mingled with that bitterness of renun-  
ciation. All was not gloom, though  
the lights of earthly ambition had  
gone out. In the exercise of unselfish-  
ness Agatha Trenton found a deep and  
abiding peace.

### IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

The petition to reopen the Ruther-  
ford Road, was granted on condition  
that petitioners pay the expenses.  
Married, on Sunday, May 1st, by L.  
D. Hanes, Esq., Miss Sallie Reynolds  
to Mr. Thomas Mosteller, all of this  
county.  
The county commissioners have or-  
dered that J. C. Walker be appointed  
list taker and assessor in Lincoln town-  
ship vice Theo. J. Ramsaur, declined to  
serve.  
An election of town officers was held  
last Monday, with the following result:  
Intendant, E. W. Ward, 51, W. T.  
Massey, 47. Commissioners, first  
ward, J. E. Love, 15; P. D. Hin-  
son, 10; second ward, J. L. Kistler, 20;  
Blair Jenkins, 18; R. S. Edwards, 13;  
third ward, J. H. Bissner, 16; C. P.  
Miller, 6; W. P. James, 19; fourth  
ward, B. C. Cobb, 22; P. S. Beal, 25.

Miss Hattie Craton has very ill for  
several weeks, but we are glad to state  
that she is improving.  
The Rutherfordton cornet band have  
secured the services of a first class  
instructor who is expected to arrive this  
week.  
The Postmaster General has ordered  
the establishment of a post office at  
Holly, in this county, and appointed  
Rufus J. Collins postmaster.  
Messrs. McCurry & Nichols are pre-  
paring to erect a dwelling on the lot  
west of the old Methodist church.  
Mrs. A. R. Johnson presented the  
professor with a fine daughter last  
Wednesday. The professor is in high  
spirits.  
We hear that a joint stock company is  
being formed by some of our citizens  
for the purpose of selling lumber at  
home and elsewhere.

Mr. Z. T. Phillips, who was tried at  
Bakersville court last week for the  
homicide of Joe Holmes, col., was  
acquitted on the ground of self de-  
fence.  
We hear that Mr. Thomas discovered  
a very rich mica mine near Ledger,  
in Mitchell county, one day last week,  
and immediately secured a lease and  
before night took out a block of mica  
which he sold for seventy-five dollars.  
Three different companies are now op-  
erating there and averaging about one  
hundred dollars per day.  
Last Friday Mr. Joseph Conley, one  
of our staunchest citizens, received a  
very serious injury. While on the  
road in a wagon near his home, with  
Mr. Thomas Gillespie, a tree was  
blown across the wagon which caught  
Mr. Conley and held him fast until it  
was cut away. His shoulder and neck  
bones are badly fractured and the  
doctor fears that he is hurt inwardly.  
His recovery is doubtful.

The new caps for the Dallas Light  
Infantry have arrived and are much  
admired.  
The costs in the case of Jno. McGill,  
colored, that was removed from this  
county to Cleveland court, amounted  
to \$287.86.  
We learn that the Mt. Holly military  
company has been organized with 33  
members. Dr. Costner is captain,  
Robert Stowe, 2nd lieutenant and Geo.  
Jenkins, 2nd lieutenant.  
Next Sunday will be quite an inter-  
esting occasion at Antioch Lutheran  
church, a neat brick structure, which  
will be dedicated on that day. Dr. L.  
A. Bikle will preach the dedication  
sermon.  
Last Sunday about 12 o'clock, a fire  
broke out in the barn of Mrs. McLurd,  
and from that it extended to the shop  
of C. J. Peterson & Son. Notwith-  
standing the efforts of the citizens,  
the buildings were both burned to the  
ground with all their contents.  
We are informed that one of Gas-  
ton's fair daughters, Miss Lena Max-  
well, has won the valedictory of her  
class at the Greensboro Female Col-  
lege, and that, too, when fifteen of  
her class-mates made a general average of  
95 per cent. and over on examination.

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### A VOICE FROM CAROLINA.

Some Gossip About the Cox Family  
and the Christening of Babies.  
Sir: Having been a constant reader  
of the Press since the first number of  
its publication, in 1837 or 1838, I don't  
like to see the old reliable go wrong in  
anything, whether politics, religion,  
society or cleaning out the dives, and  
right here let me congratulate you on  
your good work in the last mentioned.  
But on reading the number of Sun-  
day, April 10, I notice in an article  
headed, "Fashion Reigns Here," in  
alluding to the engagement of Miss  
Daisy Cox, daughter of Colonel Frank  
Coxe, your correspondent makes a  
blunder in speaking of Colonel Frank  
Coxe being a Northern man. On the  
contrary, he was born and raised in the  
town of Rutherfordton, the county seat  
of Rutherford County, N. C., and did  
not go North permanently until 1863.  
In speaking with one of his old  
schoolfellows a few days ago, he said:  
"Why, bless your soul, I will show you  
the house he was born in, and he ran  
around these streets a cotton-headed  
boy until he was about 10 years old,  
and as to his being educated North,  
the only schooling he ever got he got  
right here at Greenville."  
The history of this branch of the  
Coxe family coming South was this:  
Old Tench Coxe (as he is called here),  
the present Frank Coxe's grandfather,  
was from Pennsylvania, and acquired  
either by purchase direct or by chart-  
er immense tracts of land in this state.  
His son, Frank Coxe (the present  
Frank's father) came here into Ruther-  
ford county from Pennsylvania, set-  
tled here, and married a Miss Alexan-  
der, one of the Southern beauties of  
that day. She is living yet, and at a  
green old age, about 70, and, if I may  
be allowed the expression, is as pretty  
as a picture. She lives within one  
and a half miles of Rutherfordton, on  
the line of the Charleston Cincinnati  
and Chicago Railroad, of which road  
Colonel Frank is president; and just  
in front of his mother's door the com-  
pany, while laying the track a few  
weeks ago, put in a side track for his  
own use, so that when he comes to see  
his mother, which he does very often,  
his private car Daisey is run on to his  
own rails. His father is buried in the  
cemetery at Rutherfordton.

Colonel Coxe is, so to speak, almost  
overopinion in his old home. He is  
idolized among all classes, black and  
white, the whites always addressing  
him as old, simply "Frank," and  
blacks as "Mars Frank." When he  
has an idle hour while here, you will  
find him in Rutherfordton, surrounded  
by a group of his old-time friends. He  
has a large estate on Green River,  
about six miles from his mother's, on  
which he has the most improved stock  
of all kinds. He spends a great deal  
of his time at this farm.  
And now permit me to make another  
correction. Your Washington corre-  
spondent, "E. J.," in her letter in the  
paper of April 11, in speaking of  
Washington society, says that the one-  
year old baby of Senator and Mrs.  
Don Cameron is named Martha, that  
having been the name of the Senator's  
mother. I think this is the second or  
third time (Emma James) your corre-  
spondent has made this assertion. The  
Senator's mother's maiden name was  
Margaret Brua, pronounced Bree-ae.  
I knew the Cameron family before the  
present Senator was born, and knew  
his dear old mother well. She and my  
mother were, so to speak, raised girls  
together, and, until the time of their  
deaths it was "Margaret" and "Sal-  
lie."  
Now while on the subject of babies,  
don't you think that in this plain Dem-  
ocratic reform Government of ours  
that the christening of Dorothy was  
just a little low?

Let me give you a pointer. I don't  
know whether Miss Martha Cameron  
has been christened yet or not. If not,  
when she is there will be none of that  
Dorothy business, tom foolery in hers;  
not if her red-headed papa can help it.  
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### LAST WEEK IN THE STATE.

Happenings Social, Political, Finan-  
cial and Otherwise.  
The proposition to drain Mud Creek  
in Henderson county has been defeated.  
The governor has appointed Mr. D.  
M. Dodges, of Hendersonville, a no-  
tary public for Henderson county.  
Mr. George M. Balla will deliver the  
annual address at the commencement  
exercises of the Yadkin College on  
May 26.  
Mr. C. E. Graham has presented a  
piece of ground lying at the north end  
of Asheville for the uses of a Baptist  
mission chapel.  
The bank of Lexington will be open-  
ed about the fifteenth of May in Col.  
W. F. Henderson's building facing  
the public square. Mr. Seth Ketch-  
am is president and G. Homer Jones  
is cashier.  
The following municipal officers for  
Hendersonville were elected on the 2nd  
inst.: Mayor, J. P. Rickman; Alder-  
man, M. C. Toms, B. G. Gaden, W.  
G. B. Morris, W. F. Edwards and M.  
T. Justus.  
The vote in Asheville was as follows:  
for mayor, Harkins, rep., 576; Aston,  
dem., 475; Gudger, 35; Hunt, 20. For  
aldermen, Fitzpatrick, 1,013; Miller, 629;  
Wolfe, 572; Walker, 505; Halliburton,  
640. The board of Aldermen stands  
democratic.  
The town election at Smithville  
proved a muddle. The whites had  
two tickets out which threw the bal-  
ance of power with the colored people,  
who delayed voting until the white  
vote was polled. The negroes then  
came forward and elected their ticket,  
including four colored.

The Atlantic Hotel at Morehead city  
has been beautifully repainted. The  
coming season at that popular summer  
resort promises to be a particularly gay  
one. It is gratifying to note that so  
many people from other states are be-  
ginning to learn something about our  
famous North Carolina resort.  
The cattle show to be held on May  
12th, at Raleigh will doubtless be an  
improvement over those heretofore  
held, from the fact that the cattle of-  
fered for sale will be sold at public  
auction to the highest bidder without  
reserve. There will be no by bidding  
and the cattle will be actually sold.  
Here is a chance for people living out-  
side of Raleigh and Wake county to  
secure some extra fine stock at auction  
prices.  
Near Col. C. W. Alexander's gold  
mine, in Union county, on Monday,  
a serious fracas occurred between two  
white men. A quarrel arose between  
them about a mule, when one of the  
men went to his house and returned  
with a pistol. The quarrel was re-  
newed and the man with the pistol  
lodged a bullet in his antagonist's body.  
The wounded man then bounced his assailant  
and gave him a good pounding.  
Our informant did not know the names  
of the parties, but states that the  
wounded man is in a serious condition.  
—Charlotte Chronicle.

After the hands employed by Major  
Adams on the C. C. & C. R. R.  
struck last week for \$1 per day, instead  
of the 75 cents they were getting, we  
understand that he received a telegram  
from a person near Charleston asking  
for employment for a large force of  
hands. He accepted the proposition,  
and he now has a large force employed  
at the regular rate of 75 cents per day.  
In fact, he has applications from all  
sides—more than he can give employ-  
ment to.—Camden Journal.  
Captain W. T. Wilkins reports that  
two brothers by the name of Crawford  
have been acting badly in the upper  
part of this county. They represent  
themselves as tomb stone cutters and  
one of them has lost one eye. They  
married two sisters over in Folk  
county and after contracting all the debts  
they could they sent their wives back  
to their father's house and skipped out.  
They are about forty to fifty years old  
and are supposed to have gone over to  
King's Mountain.—Spartan.

Claude Jaquier, of France, has  
bought from Judge S. J. Douthat a  
tract of twenty-eight acres of good  
land adjoining A. Carpin's vineyard.  
Mr. Jaquier will cultivate his land as  
a vineyard with his two brothers, all  
three being young men. They have  
three brothers yet in France who will  
probably come here in the fall. The  
family will be a valuable addition to  
Greenville's already large French  
colony and to our citizenship. These  
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efforts of M. Carpin.—Greenville News.

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### SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

What our Neighbors in the Palmetto  
State are doing.—A Budget  
of Notes on Matters  
in General.  
Mr. McKay has purchased 30 acres  
of mineral land and will open corun-  
dum mines near Laurens.  
The suits over the Columbia hosiery  
mills have been amicably settled and  
Mr. Markley, the purchaser, will  
operate them if he can get a contract  
for convicts from the state.  
The students of the South Carolina  
college have organized two military  
companies which have been regularly  
enrolled by Adjutant General Bonham  
as a part of the militia of the state.  
Orville T. Calhoun, a member of the  
Abbeville bar and a distant relative of  
Jno. C. Calhoun, died suddenly in Col-  
umbia on Monday, May 2. He was on  
his way home from the unveiling cere-  
monies of the Calhoun statue. He was  
about 39 years of age and leaves a wife  
and one child.  
On Saturday, April 30, the steam saw  
and planing mill of Mr. Richardson,  
near Wallhalla, was accidentally  
burned, together with 20,000 feet of  
lumber. Loss about \$2,000. Mr. Lee,  
living near the mill, lost his house and  
contents, together with his barns,  
stables and a year's supplies.  
During the month of April there was  
but one death in the town of Camden  
—a colored infant. There has been  
but one death among the whites of  
Camden this year, and that was an in-  
fant, a non resident, that was very ill  
and was brought to Camden for treat-  
ment. This certainly speaks well for  
Camden as being an unusually healthy  
place.  
Dr. C. P. Woodruff died at his home  
in the town of Woodruff week before  
last. He was born 1808, graduated at  
the Medical College of Cincinnati in  
1831, and practiced medicine in this  
city until the war came. For many  
years he has been quite an invalid.  
He was a man of strong convictions  
and decided opinions and was fearless  
in maintaining them.  
Mr. F. W. Dawson, editor of the  
Charleston News and Courier, entered  
suit on the 3rd against the New York  
Sun for libel, placing his damages at  
\$100,000. The libel consisted in the  
following: "Who that didn't know the  
fact, would suppose that not more than  
a dozen years ago Mr. F. W. Dawson,  
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At the third annual meeting of the  
Rock Hill Library Association the  
following officers for the ensuing year  
were elected: President, Rev. J. S.  
White; Vice-President, Rev. J. Q.  
Adams; Secretary, W. J. Roddy;  
Directors, A. E. Smith, J. R. Long, N.  
P. Alexander, S. L. Ried and David  
Hutchinson. Mr. Ried was re-elected  
Librarian. The annual report of the  
president represents the association to  
be in a satisfactory condition.  
After the hands employed by Major  
Adams on the C. C. & C. R. R.  
struck last week for \$1 per day, instead  
of the 75 cents they were getting, we  
understand that he received a telegram  
from a person near Charleston asking  
for employment for a large force of  
hands. He accepted the proposition,  
and he now has a large force employed  
at the regular rate of 75 cents per day.  
In fact, he has applications from all  
sides—more than he can give employ-  
ment to.—Camden Journal.  
Captain W. T. Wilkins reports that  
two brothers by the name of Crawford  
have been acting badly in the upper  
part of this county. They represent  
themselves as tomb stone cutters and  
one of them has lost one eye. They  
married two sisters over in Folk  
county and after contracting all the debts  
they could they sent their wives back  
to their father's house and skipped out.  
They are about forty to fifty years old  
and are supposed to have gone over to  
King's Mountain.—Spartan.

Claude Jaquier, of France, has  
bought from Judge S. J. Douthat a  
tract of twenty-eight acres of good  
land adjoining A. Carpin's vineyard.  
Mr. Jaquier will cultivate his land as  
a vineyard with his two brothers, all  
three being young men. They have  
three brothers yet in France who will  
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