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Letters addressed to the Editor must be *post paid*.

James Simmons, Esq. postmaster at Halifax, is our general agent for that vicinity.

Millinery & Mantua-making.

MRS. SNEADER respectfully informs the inhabitants of Halifax and vicinity, that she still continues the *Millinery and Mantua-making* business in Halifax, and has on hand, as usual, a general assortment of Ladies' fancy goods. Persons indebted to her are earnestly requested to call and settle their accounts immediately, as she is desirous of laying in her fall supply as early as possible.

Halifax, Aug. 15, 1826.

A Good Bargain

ON Wednesday, the 18th of October next, will be let, the *Re-building the Bridge* across Town Creek, near Col. Benj. Sharpe's to the lowest undertaker. *By the Commissioners.*

September 25, 1826.

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Jailor's Notice.

TAKEN up and committed to the Jail of Halifax county, a negro man who says his name is *Gideon*, and belongs to Mr. Richard Taylor, of Granville county, N. C. The said negro is about 5 feet 8 or 10 inches high, dark complexion, and appears to be between 50 and 60 years of age. The owner is hereby notified to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take him away, otherwise he will be disposed of as the law directs.

Dixie C. Fenner, Jailor.

Halifax, 19th Sept. 1826.

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Thirty Dollars Reward.

RANAWAY from the Subscriber, on Sunday night, the 12th of March last, a negro woman, named **POLLY**, about 28 years old, nearly five feet high, yellow complexion, spare made, has a mild look and genteel appearance, (for a negro,) when well dressed; she is an expert hand at roguery, and is well calculated to deceive unless tightly and closely examined. She was seduced away by a black free negro, *Carter Newson* by name, a shoemaker by trade, who is about 30 years of age, 5 feet 6 or 8 inches high, thick set, has a pleasant countenance and very white teeth, which he shews very much when speaking or laughing: he is strongly suspected of being a runaway slave. In my former advertisement, I stated that from threats which the wench made prior to her elopement, they would, by changing their names, and getting forged free papers, endeavor to make their escape to some free state: since that time, they have been lurking about Halifax town, in the vicinity of which, they probably are at this time. All persons are forewarned from harboring or carrying off said negro under the penalty of the law. The above reward, with all reasonable charges, will be paid for securing said woman in any jail, so that I get her again, or for her delivery to me.

Lunsford W. Scott.
Halifax co. N. C.

August 15, 1826.

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Blank Warrants for sale,

Drs. Daney & Boykin,

HAVING entered into Co-partnership, beg leave to inform the citizens of Edgecombe, that they are prepared to enter into the practice of the various branches of their professional duties, (viz.) *Midwifery, Surgery, and the Practice of Medicine.* Orders left at their residences or at their shop, will be promptly attended.

They also inform the Public, that they have furnished themselves with a fresh and plentiful supply of *Medicines*, and intend keeping on hand a like supply, which they will sell at wholesale or retail, upon as low terms as they can be purchased in any part of the State.

Tarboro', Sept. 1, 1826.

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Cabinet-making, Turning, &c.

THE Subscriber having erected a complete workshop for the above business in all its various branches, respectfully informs his friends and the public in general, that he is now prepared to execute any work in his line that he may receive orders for, viz:

Sideboards, China presses, secretaries, book-cases, bureaus, tables, wash-stands, candle-stands, gentlemen's and ladies' wardrobes, ladies' and gentlemen's cabinets, cylinder-full desks, portable and common do. and bedsteads of all descriptions.

The work in general will be well executed, and of good materials.

ALSO, THE

TURNING BUSINESS,

Will be carried on in all its branches, viz: *Wood, iron, brass, ivory, &c.* Carpenters who may want turning done, can be accommodated, with the turning of columns, newel posts, balusters, drops, corner blocks, rosettes, &c.

The above work will be executed as cheap as the times will admit of, and in as short time as it can be done.

LEWIS LAYSSARD.

Halifax, Sept. 1826.

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A List of Letters,

Remaining in the Post-Office at *Tarborough*, N. C. the 1st day of October, 1826, which if not called for and taken out before the 1st day of January next, will be sent to the General Post-Office as dead letters.

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| Allen John, Dr. | Kelly Sarah Miss |
| Alsobrook Micajah | King Charles |
| Battle Joseph | Lee William |
| Battle Cath. A. Miss | Lewis James |
| Biggs James | Land Littleberry |
| Bennett Mark H | Morgan John |
| Brenan James | Morgan Joseph |
| Bedford John | McWilliams George |
| Bennett Philemon | Nittles John |
| Bell Bennett H | Nittles Allen |
| Bullock John | Nittles Jacob |
| Bryan Dempsey | Porter Eli |
| Bass Turner | Parker William |
| Bell Winifred Mrs | Pitman Zilpha Mrs |
| Brown Duncan | Ruffin Jacky A Miss 2 |
| Carney Patsey Mrs | Robins Jacob |
| Cornish William | Robins Frederick |
| Curtis Edward | Ruth Catherine W |
| Carney William | Sh'ff of Edgecombe 4 |
| Crisp Samuel | Schofield Benjamin |
| Evrith Edith | Sory Robert |
| Edmondson Tho's | Spicer Moses |
| Edmondson Lem'l | Simms Robert |
| Eagles Richard T | Toole Geraldus |
| Forman Corn's 2 | White William |
| Faithful Lemuel | Ward Jno F Dr. |
| Gardner William | Williford Meedy |
| Haynes Wm S'r. | Webb William |
| Howard Wilson | Worrell Amos Jr. |
| Hearn James | Whitford David |
| Hodge Allen 3 | Whitehurst Arthur, |
| Hart Cath. Miss | Warters Patsey Mrs |
| Hunter Wm J W | Williams Temper'e |
| Knight Eliz'h Miss | Williams Josiah |
| Killebrew Geo W 4 | |

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J. R. LLOYD. P. M.

Lost, or Mislaid,

A BOND for about \$160, given to John Muray by Thomas Speight, Samuel Vines, Asa Daniel, and others, names not recollected; which Bond was transferred to Arnold Borden & Co. and by them sometime last winter placed in my hands for collection. Any information respecting said Bond will be thankfully received by

E. PRICE.

Stantonsburg, Oct. 2. 1826. 7-2

H. Johnston,

MERCHANT TAILOR,

WISHES to inform his friends and the public generally, that he has just returned from *New-York*, with his full supply of newly imported **GOODS**, in his line of business, such as

Superfine Cloths of the most fashionable colors, do. cassimeres do.—a handsome assortment of Vestings—also, a complete assortment of Trimmings, &c.

All of which he is determined to sell low for Cash, or on a credit to punctual customers. He yet continues at his late stand, nearly opposite the Court-house, where he will thankfully receive all orders in his line of business, and pledges himself to execute the same in the most fashionable and neatest manner.

Tarborough, Oct. 5, 1826. 7

Five Dollars Reward.

STRAYED from the Subscriber, on Tuesday, 7th day of September last, a dark sorrel HORSE, about 4 feet 10 inches high, supposed to be about 12 or 13 years old, with a small wen on the right side of his nose. Any person who shall find said horse and bring him to me, or confine him so that I can get him again, or deliver him to David Barnes in Tarborough, shall receive the above reward.

CULLIN ADAMS.

October 4, 1826. 7-3

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| Atkins John | M'Lemore J H |
| Aaron Henry | Morgan Patience |
| Allen Samuel 2 | Manly Willis |
| Brown Elizabeth | Powell Solomon |
| Bryan Jos H 2 | Pettway M H 4 |
| Bagby Naney | Powell Isaac 2 |
| Boswell Sarah | Pully Wm |
| Briant Millisor or her heirs | Pullen Eaton |
| Bynum Jesse A | Pope Naney |
| Burges Doct. | Ricks Isaac |
| Crowell R H | Richardson Nancy |
| Daniel J J 2 | Rainey Wm |
| Daniel R B | Reeves Henry |
| Doggett Wm | Smith James N R |
| Drew Wm 3 | Sturdevant Ed or Jno |
| Edmunson Wm | Simmons Jno W |
| Ferguson John | Stricklin Douck |
| Grant Thos | Smith Elisha B |
| Garrett Henry | Shepherd John S |
| Gladish Jas B | Smith Wm |
| Gordon Thos | Sketchley Thomas |
| Grynstead Thos Y | Southall Daniel |
| Gary Henry W | Turner Bedford 2 |
| Hudson Eaton | Taylor Wilson |
| Hill Whitmill J | Taylor Wm |
| Hawkins Wyatt | Tumblin Samuel |
| Hardin Mary | Turner Jas R |
| Hawkins R J | Turner Miss Martha |
| Hays Jesse | Vaden Jeremiah |
| Harris Martha | Vaden Eliza |
| Hill Rebecca | Vinson Peter |
| James Reuben H | Webb William |
| Jones Willie | Wilkins Edmund |
| Jones Frances | Winborn John 2 |
| Kelly Jane | Wiggins H J |
| Long James M | Wilcox Littleberry |
| Mocock Susan | Willis Lewis |
| More David | Waller Lucretia |
| Matthews Isham | Zolicoffer J H |
| | Zolicoffer Ann |

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J. S. SIMMONS, P. M.

Domestic.

An Editor in Trouble.—Not us, gentle reader, for heaven be praised for all things, we are seldom out of troubles: but some time ago Mr. Miller, editor of the *Batavia Advocate*, and Mr. Follett, editor of the *Batavia Times*, had sundry disputes in their papers as editors will sometimes have, and Mr. Miller, among other serious charges, declared that Mr. Follett was a *freemason*, and added, as we learn, that he himself was a freemason, but being disgusted with the craft was about publishing a book, revealing the mysteries of masonry, and exposing them to the contempt of the world.---We understand by a gentleman just arrived in town from the west, that several hundred freemasons came into the village and seized Mr. Miller, and carried him several miles in a waggon: he was rescued from them, but was compelled to give up his manuscripts. It is further stated that three attempts were made to set fire to his printing office, and that his friends, after attempting to conceal him, had finally determined to send him to Canada. Something of the kind has taken place, of which the foregoing is a sketch. We are sorry that the fraternity have taken this step---it gives weight and importance to the ridiculous threats of the person implicated. Silence and indifference are the true weapons of defence.

Gazette.

There are about 650 different newspapers published in the U. States; which circulate annually upwards of 30,000,000 copies of papers. In Great Britain, there are 284 papers, which circulate annually among 2 millions of people, about 23,000,000 copies of papers. The American are therefore more of a reading community than the British.

A young man while walking on the bank of the Brandywine creek had a black snake creep up his leg under his pantaloons and twist himself three or four times round his leg; this was done in an instant. He grasped it with both his hands and held it nearly an hour, till a young man came to his relief, who cut a hole in his pantaloons and cut the head off the snake. It measured five feet long. If he had not got assistance, he declares he could not have survived much longer.

Salem Register.

John Randolph.—Capt. Mackay, of the London Packet at Boston informs that Mr. Randolph was in London, about the 15th of July, and dined with Mr. King, the American Charge d'Affairs; but that he did not hear of him afterwards, and presumes he was residing in the country.