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

**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

**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. 5

**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 Newsom 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 forbidden 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. 1-1f

Blank Warrants for sale,

**Dr. Dancy & 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. 3

**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:

*S. Jeboards, China presses, secretaries, book-cases, bureaus, tables, wash-stands, candle-stands, gentlemen's and ladies' wardrobes, ladies' and gentlemen's cabinets, cylinder-fall 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. 5

**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    | Pittman 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'1      | 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    | 79                    |

J. R. LLOYD. P. M.

**New and Fashionable.**

THE Subscribers have just received a new assortment of the most fashionable GOODS, consisting of

*British, French, India and American, together with a good assortment of Groceries, Hardware and Crockery:*

Which can be bought of the Subscribers (at the store formerly occupied by J. B. Calland) on the most accommodating terms. Those who wish to combine economy with beauty, will not be disappointed by calling on the Subscribers. Terms of credit, twelve months—those who settle before the time stipulated, will be allowed a deduction of five per cent. A liberal price will be given for Peas and Cotton in trade.

H. & J. J. WATTS.

Clark's Store, Oct. 13, 1826. 8-2

**Notice.**

THE Commissioners appointed by the County Court of Edgecombe, August Term, 1826, to draw up a Bill of Timbers, for the purpose of building a Bridge across Tar river at Tarborough, and to divide the same into suitable lots, to be delivered near the present Bridge, will proceed to let out the getting of the same, on Saturday the 28th inst. at the Court-house in Tarborough. Particulars made known on the day of letting.

By the Commissioners.

10th Oct. 1826. 8-2

**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.

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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 Nancy                  | Powell Isaac 2       |
| Boswell Sarah                | Pully Wm             |
| Briant Millison or her heirs | Pullen Eaton         |
| Bynum Jesse A                | Pope Nancy           |
| 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 Douc       |
| 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               | Zolicoffier J H      |
| 91                           | Zolicoffier Ann      |

JAS. SIMMONS, P. M.

**Domestic.**

**Obstructing the Mail.**—A wagoner was lately tried, convicted, and fined, at Williamsburg, Pennsylvania, under the 9th section of the act of Congress of the 3d March last, which provides—

"That if any person shall knowingly and wilfully obstruct or retard the passage of the mail, or any driver or carrier thereof, or any horse or carriage carrying the same, he shall, upon conviction of every such offence, pay a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars."

It was proved on trial, that the mail stage overtook the wagon of the defendant, and the driver made several efforts to pass, which the wagoner frustrated by keeping the middle of the road, or drawing his horses to the side on which the stage driver attempted to pass. The driver then left his stage and remonstrated with the wagoner, but without effect; until at length he found an opportunity to whip round the wagon, and passed without further molestation. In his charge, the Judge remarked "how important it was to the community, that the mail stage of the U. S. transporting so much property, and so much intelligence, often of the most sacred nature, should not only pass unmolested, but be held in respect and treated as inviolable."—*Fay. Observer.*

**Titles.**—There is in the U. S. more nominal nobility than any country in the world exhibits of legitimate creation. Every Governor is *Excellent*; every judge, senator, and representative is *Honorable*; and every justice of the peace is distinguished by the chivalrous title of *Esquire*—These frivolities should be carefully discouraged, and the dangerous assumptions by every real friend of liberty opposed. They are the first robes in which a republic advances to aristocracy, thence to monarchy, and from monarchy to oppression and extravagance.—*Grimshaw's U. S.*

**Yankee Wit....**The Greenfield Gazette mentions as an extraordinary fact, that "a child was born in Dover, N. H. the first of August, weight *seventeen pounds.*" A Berkshire man said "Why Sir I am credibly informed that a few years since only, in one of our mountain towns, a child was born weighing *twenty five pounds,* with a full set of double teeth all around—his hair handsomely braided behind, and tied up in the good old fashioned way, with an eel-skin."

**Warning to Husbands....**Mr. Benj. Miller, of Gerry, (New-York,) aged about 30 years, was tried before a justice's court last Thursday, on a charge of whipping his wife, found guilty, and sentenced to 30 days confinement in the county jail...

Just praise is only a debt, but flattery is a present.