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BUSINESS CARDS.
WILLIAM A. GWYER,
GENERAL AGENT, FOR FORWARDING
and Commission Merchant.

Next door to A. A. Walker's, on North Water street, will attend to the sale of all kinds of Country Produce, such as Corn, Peas, Meal, Bacon, Lard, &c., and will keep constantly on hand a full supply of Groceries, &c.
References.
Willes Hall, of Wythe, John McRae, Wilmington, W. Caraway, Gen. Alex. McRae, " E. P. Lyle, Wilmington, Wiley A. Walker, " Dec. 13, 1850. 115-ly.

ALEX. MAEHE, Jr.,
IMPORTER OF
CHINA, GLASS, AND EARTHEN-
WARE,
and wholesale and retail dealer in all kinds of
FARMING IMPLEMENTS,
South Side of Market St.,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
November, 9, 1850. 102.

J. M. ROBINSON,
IMPORTER AND DEALER IN
HARDWARE, IRON,
STOVES, NAILS, &c., &c.,
Front street, 3 doors South of
Market street,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Wilmington, May 4, 1850. 22

T. SOUTHWAY & CO.,
ENGINEERS, BLACKSMITHS, BRASS, AND IRON
FOUNDERS.
All orders in the line will be punctually at-
tended to.
Corner Mulberry & North Water streets,
WILMINGTON, N. C. GA.
May 16, 1850. 27

WILLIAM M. HARRISS,
GENERAL
COMMISSION MERCHANT
WILMINGTON, N. C.
STRICT attention given to procuring Freight
and purchasing cargoes for vessels.
REFERENCES:
E. P. Parsley, Esq., Wilmington, N. C.
Messrs. Ballard & Huntington, " "
Mill Pond, Esq., Raleigh, N. C.
Messrs. Hall, Seibert & Co., Fayetteville, N. C.
Joseph Usher, Esq., " "
Messrs. James Corner & Sons, Baltimore, " "
E. A. Souler & J. P. Philadelphia, " "
Thompson & Hunter, New York, " "
Pittsburgh & Sandford, " "
Hunting & Puffs, to
J. & J. P. Pittouab, Kennebunk Me., " "

WILKINSON & ESLER,
CASH DEALERS IN
Stationery, Fruit, Nuts, Toys, Fancy Ar-
ticles, Perfumery, Tobacco, Segars, &c.,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL,
MARKET STREET,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Nov 30, 1850. 10-ly

JOSEPH R. BLOSSOM,
General Commission and Forwarding Merchant.
Prompt personal attention given to Consign-
ments for sale or shipment,
And liberal advances made on consignments to
me or to my New York friends.
Wilmington, Jan. 30, 1851. 135-ly

BUSINESS CARDS.

GEO. HARRISS,
General Commission Merchant,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
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and purchasing cargoes for vessels.
REFERENCES TO:
E. P. Hall, Esq., Wilmington.
O. G. Parsley, Esq., " "
J. A. Taylor, Esq., " "
J. D. Bolly, Esq., " "
Messrs. Ballard & Huntington, " "
Messrs. Tooker, Smyth & Co., New York, " "
Thompson & Hunter, " "
Alex'r. Heron, Jr., Philadelphia " "
Messrs. Williams & Butler, Charleston, S. C. " "
H. F. Baker, Esq., " " 123-ly.

HERON & MARTIN
General Commission Merchants,
PHILADELPHIA.
REFER TO:
Messrs. Thos. Watson & Sons, Philadelphia.
Jno. C. Dacosta, Esq., " "
Wm. S. Neilson, Esq., " "
ROBERT NEILSON, Esq., " "
Messrs. Moses, Taylor & Co., New York " "
J. H. Brown & Co., " "
J. & D. McRae, Wilmington.
April 5, 1850. 9-ly.

MARTIN & CRONLY,
AUCTIONEERS,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
AND
GENERAL AGENTS.
Wilmington, N. C. Oct. 3, 1850. 85-ly.

JOSEPH H. FLANNER,
General Commission Merchant,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Oct. 20, 1850. 67-ly-c.

WILLIAM NEFF,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN
SHIP CHANDLERY, SHIP STORES
AND GROCERIES,
CORNER OF JEFFERSON & WATER STREETS
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Dec. 7th 1850

DEROSSET & BROWN,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
BROWN & DEROSSET,
NEW YORK.
GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
March 17 1850.

GEO. H. KELLY,
COMMISSION MERCHANT,
Next door to A. A. Walker's, on North Water street
will attend to the sale of all kinds of Country Pro-
duce, such as Corn, Peas, Meal, Bacon, Lard, &c.,
and will keep constantly on hand a full supply of
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Savage & Meares,
GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS
AND
AUCTIONEERS,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
EDWARD SAVAGE, GASTON MEARES, I. May 2, 1850.

LEIGHTON, CHADBOURN & CO.,
General Commission Merchants,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Dec. 11, 1850 11-ly.

CORNELIUS DUPRE,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN
Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, Paints, Oil,
Dye Stuffs, Glass, Perfumery, Cigars,
Old Liquors, Fancy Articles, &c., &c.,
MARKET STREET,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Prescriptions carefully compounded by exper-
enced persons.
March 28, 1850. 6

MARINE INSURANCE.
THE undersigned having received the Agency of
The
AUGUSTA INSURANCE AND BANKING
COMPANY OF AUGUSTA GA.
Will issue Policies on Vessels, Cargoes, Freight &c.
at reasonable rates of Premiums as any other in-
stitution of the kind in the Country. The Capital
of this Company is \$375,000.
H. NUTT, Agent.
Wilmington, Aug. 16, 1850. 65-ly.

J. C. LATTA,
COMMISSION MERCHANT,
AND GENERAL AGENT,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Oct. 1, 1850. 87

HALL & LONEY,
General Commission Merchants,
BALTIMORE.
Will receive and advance on Consignments, and pay
particular attention to filling orders for produce, &c.
Refer to Messrs. DeRosset & Brown.
March 13. 153-3m p.

WEST & HEWLETT,
Auctioneers, Commission Merchants
AND
GENERAL AGENTS,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
REFER TO:
Potter & Kidder, John Dawson,
G. W. Davis, O. G. Parsley,
Barry, Bryant & Adams, E. P. Hall,
George Farwell, Edward Cantwell,
Oct. 28, 1850. 86-ly

BUSINESS CARDS.

ADAMS, BROTHER & Co.,
(Late Barry, Bryant & Adams)
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Jan. 1, 1851. 123

ANDERSON & LATIMER,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
SOUTH WATER STREET,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Sep. 27, 1850. 82-ly-c.

LIFE INSURANCE.
THE MUTUAL BENEFIT LIFE INSU-
RANCE, continues to take Risks on Lives
on fair terms.
SURPLUS OVER 1,000,000.
JOSEPH R. BLOSSOM, Agent.
Dec. 12, 1850. 93-ly.

B. T. ELDER & CO.
Commission Merchants,
CORNER OF PRATT AND COMMERCE
ST., BALTIMORE.
Agents for the sale of Provisions, and Ameri-
can Produce generally.
Also, for purchasing Coffee, Sugar, Grain &c. to or-
der.
REFER TO:
Messrs. J. & D. McRae & Co., Wilmington.
DeRosset & Brown, " "
SAVAGE & MEARES, " "
Feb. 1, 1851. 136-3mos-p.

COACH MAKING.
COACH-MAKING, JOBBING AND REPAIRING
Horse-shoeing, &c. done with neatness and
dispatch.
Corner of Third and Princess Street: opposite Nix-
on's Livery Stable.
N. S. NEALE,
Wilmington, N. C., April 1 1851. 145-ly.

J. & D. McRAE & Co.,
General Commission Merchants,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Particular attention paid to procuring freights
and purchasing cargoes for vessels.
JOHN McRAE, DONALD McRAE, JOHN W. K. DIX.
August 1, 1850. 69.

MILES COSTIN,
COMMISSION MERCHANT,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
REFER TO:
E. P. Hall, Esq., Pres't Branch State
Bank,
Thos. H. Wright, Esq., Pres't Bank
of Cape Fear,
O. G. Parsley, Esq., Pres't Commer-
cial Bank,
Dec. 19, 1850. 118-ly.

T. C. WORTH:
Commission and Forwarding
MERCHANT,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Feb. 19, 1851. 143-12 m.

WM. ALLSTON GOURDIN,
FACTOR,
No. 4 East-Bay Charleston South Carolina,
IS PREPARED TO MAKE LIBERAL ADVANCES ON
CONSIGNMENTS OF
RICE, COTTON, CORN, SUGAR, FLOUR,
GRAIN, HAY, &c.
REFERENCES:
Messrs. MATTHEWSEN & Co., Charleston S. C.
GEORGE A. HOPLEY, " "
ALONZO J. WHITE, " "
TANDY WALKER, Esq., Greenville S. C.
May 21, 1850. 29-ly-c.

J. HATHAWAY & SON,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
J. HATHAWAY, J. L. HATHAWAY, 91
Oct. 15.

GEO. MYERS,
Wholesale and Retail Grocer,
KEEPS CONSTANTLY ON HAND
Wines, Teas, Liquors, Provisions, Wood and Wil-
low Ware, Fruit, Confectionaries, &c. &c.
SOUTH FRONT STREET,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Nov. 28, 1850. 109.

GAUSE & BOWDEN,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
AND
GENERAL AGENTS.
THOS. F. GAUSE, REFERENCES: JOHN C. BOWDEN.
Alexander McRae, President W. & R. R.
E. P. Hall, " State Bank.
O. G. Parsley, " Commercial Bank.
John Dawson, Merchant,
J. & D. McRae & Co., " "
P. K. Dickinson & Co., " "
Dec. 7, 1850. 112-ly.

ELLIS, RUSSELL & Co.,
GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
CHAS. D. ELLIS, HENRY P. RUSSELL, JOSEPH E. RUSSELL,
Jan. 25, 1851. 133.

THOS. D. BARRY,
Commission Merchant and Ship
Broker,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Jan. 21, 1850. 131-ly.

D. STUART & SON,
WHOLESALE GROCERS,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
AND
IMPORTERS OF RIO COFFEE, &c.
EXCHANGE PLACE,
Opposite the Exchange Hotel,
BALTIMORE.
REFER TO:
Messrs. DeRosset & Brown, Wilmington,
Mr. J. M. Robinson, " "
Jan. 16, 1850. 130-8mp.

BUSINESS CARDS.

DR. JAMES E. KEE,
Surgical and Mechanical Dentist.
Office over Mr. Argentin's Store, Market St.,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Jan. 30, 1850. J. & N. C. T. copy 3m. 133-ly.

FOR RENT.
A comfortable dwelling house near the corner
of Market and Boundary Streets, can be
rented on accommodating terms till the 1st
of October next. Apply at this office, or to
Feb. 13. B. I. HOWZE. 141.

RECEIVED PER A. J. DEROSSET.
20 BARRIS good Mess Pork;
10 Kegs prime Goshen Butter;
10 Bags Rio Coffee.
Sugar in Hhds, and barrels, for sale by
J. HATHAWAY & SON.
March 1. 149.

STOVES AND GRATES.
JUST RECEIVED
A Large Supply
SHIP PARLOR,
CHURCH,
AND OFFICE
STOVES!
of the BEST and
most approved
PATENT
wholesale & retail.
ALSO,
an assortment of
GRATES & FURNACES,
Solar, Campfire, Fluid,
and Oil Lamps, plain and
Japanned Ware, Stew
Dishes, Coffee Urns, Big-
gins, Tea Trays, Washers,
Platform and other Scales
and a variety of other arti-
cles too numerous to men-
tion.
Oct. 10. POLLEY & HART. 89

DEEDS FOR SALE.
Warranted Deeds, and Deeds for Mortgage and
just printed, in correct form and for sale at the
Commercial Office.

SPORTSMEN, ATTENTION!
JUST Received, a large assortment of Single and
J Double barrel, Bird, Duck and Deer Guns, of the
finest finish and latest style, made by those cele-
brated makers CHAMBER & SONS, and others of known
celebrity. Guns of all weights and calibre, also,
Powder Flasks, Shot Pouches, Game Bags, percu-
sion Caps, and in fact the best collection of sports-
men's goods ever offered in this market. Gentle-
men please call and examine.
POLLEY & HART.
Oct 3. 89

BILLS OF EXCHANGE.
A FRESH supply of Bills of Exchange, an ele-
gant impression, which will be sold in sheets
or quires, or bound in Books, in order, just received
and for sale at THE COMMERCIAL OFFICE.
Jan. 28. 133.

BILLS OF LADING, &c.
FOLLOWING BILLS OF LADING bound
in Books, and sheets, also Letter Sheets with
variety of mercantile blanks, for sale at 'The Com-
mercial Office.'
Jan. 28. 133.

LIME! LIME! LIME!!!
600 BBL'S Lincolnville White Lump; Also
calcin'd Plaster, Plastering Hair, and
Fire Brick, Hydraulic Cement; 1000 bbl's. Lime
&c.; for sale by
J. C. & E. B. WOOD,
Contractors and Builders.
Dec. 22, 1849. 119.

B. E. PEAS,
25 BAGS just arrived. For sale by
MARTIN & CRONLY.
March 22. 3.

FLOUR.
150 BBS., 40 half bbls, for sale low by
SAVAGE & MEARES.
March 27. 5.

ROSIN STRAINERS.
FROM No. 15 to 100, of a superior quality, for
sale by
POLLEY & HART.
March 29. 6.

FOR SALE.
A Good family Carriage, suitable for
a Hack, of good and substantial
material, will be sold or exchanged for
a light Buggy. Apply at the Commercial office,
July 9. 48.

NEW SPRING & SUMMER GOODS.
We have just received the handsomest and most
beautiful assortment of fancy Dry Goods that
ever was brought to this or any other market—
Ladies and Gentlemen are invited to call and ex-
amine.
Country merchants are particularly invited. Or-
ders will be promptly attended to.
We also have on hand a splendid assortment of
Spring and Summer Clothing, which we keep en-
tirely up stairs. We have them made up ourselves,
and do not want to pay profit to others. We are
able to sell them cheaper than any House.
S. & D. TELLER.
March 13. 153.

VACCINE! VACCINE!!
A FEW Seeds of fresh Vaccine Virus, to be found
at
C. DePRE'S,
Drug and Chemical Store,
Market St.
Feb. 18, 143.

NORTHERN ADVERTISEMENTS.

Account Books,
PAPER & STATIONERY ARTICLES.
FRANCIS & LOUREL,
77 Maiden Lane, New York.

INVITE Merchants, Dealers and all who require
articles in their line, to call at 77 Maiden Lane,
New York. We offer every variety of Blank Book,
Paper and Stationery, at very low prices. As we
both manufacture and import all goods in our line
we are enabled to sell cheap and offer inducements
to buyers. Orders receive prompt attention.
BLANK BOOKS,
County clerks, sets of books with Printed heading
for Lodges, Divisions and others. Hotel Registers,
Time Books, Notes, Drafts, Copy Pass and Menus-
tandum Books.
COPY YOUR LETTERS!
By the use of Francis' Manuscript Letter writer,
Letters and copies are written at the same time, the
ink is contained in sheathes, the pen never wears out,
both expeditious and economical; price \$4, 2, 2.50
and 50c.

CROTON INK.
If you want good black writing Ink use the Cro-
ton; flows freely from the pen and retains its color;
also indelible. Cartridges copying Ink.
PAPER & STATIONERY.
All sizes and styles of writing Paper at Mill Price;
Times, Colored, Drawing and Corinated Paper, En-
velopes, Gold Pens, Note Papers, Scrap Books,
Portfolios, Cards, Quills, Wax, Water, Steel Pens,
Pens, Pencils, &c., &c. Sent by Mail free.
Book Binding executed in any style.
FRANCIS & LOUREL,
Manufacturing Stationers,
77 Maiden Lane, N. Y.

DIARIES FOR 1851.
From the full size up to the smallest pocket edi-
tion containing Almanac Time and Interest Tables,
a space for memorandums for every day in the year,
&c., suitable for business, Professional or Private
use. Price 25c. and 50c. Sent by Mail free.
Book Binding executed in any style.
FRANCIS & LOUREL,
Manufacturing Stationers,
77 Maiden Lane, N. Y.

RUBBER GOODS
UNION INDIA RUBBER COMPANY,
19 Nassau St. New York.
Manufacture and have for sale on favorable terms
the largest stock of
"Goodyear's Patent Metallic Rubber Goods"
in America. Warranted to stand all climates: con-
sisting of Coats, Cloaks, Ponchos, Leggings, Pants-
Caps, Sew' Ties, Blankets, Piano and Table Cov-
ers, Crumb Carriage and Horse Cloths, Sailors' and
Traveling Bags, Gold Diggers', Exploring, and Mil-
itary Goods, Fishing Dresses, Breast Pumps, Syringes
and articles for Druggists and Surgeons, Engine
and Factory Hose, Gum Tubing, Horse Penders,
Knapp's Patent Premium Cow-milker, Machine
Belting Drills, Toys, Life Preservers, Cushions, Pil-
low, Beds, Whips, Bridles, Wagon and Boat Floors,
Boats, Knapsacks, Canteens, Water tanks, Pails,
Fire Buckets, &c. Articles for the trade made to
order.
Jan. 16. 129-3m

**SASH, BLIND
AND DOOR AGENCY.**
Formerly conducted by Guy C. Hotchkiss.
THE public are hereby informed, that I have been
appointed agent for the sale of Window Sash,
Blinds and Doors, manufactured by the New Haven
Co., and am prepared to fill all orders in the above
line. The quality of the work of the New Haven
Co. is well known in this market. Builders and all
persons in want of the above articles, are requested
to send in their orders, and they will be promptly
filled; Terms invariably cash on delivery.
WM. A. GWYER,
General Agent Commission and Forwarding Mer-
chant.
April 18. 15

PINE OIL! PINE OIL!
Reduced in Price and Improved in Quality.
PINE OIL of my manufacture can be obtained at
the store of Messrs. POLLEY & HART, and will
be furnished to customers by my Wagon every Tues-
day, Wednesday, and Saturday, at the reduced price
of Forty Cents per gallon. Warranted superior to
any other for sale in this place.
Oet 17 1850. A. H. VANBOKKELEN.

**CAPE FEAR
MARINE RAILWAY
AND
SHIP CARPENTERING.**
THE subscribers having now completed the Marine
Railway, are prepared to take up vessels
of any size. They pledge themselves that all work
done by them shall give satisfaction, both as to
charges and workmanship. They have large force
employed, which will enable them to perform all
work with dispatch.
They are also prepared to build any size Vessel,
from a PILOT BOAT up to a Steamship; and will
warrant that their work will compare favorably with
any done here or elsewhere, and upon as reasonable
terms.
Always on hand a large stock of Timber, &c.
SAMUEL BEERY & SON.
REFER TO:
P. K. Dickinson, DeRosset & Brown, Wilmington, N. C.
Geo. W. Davis, J. & D. McRae & Co., " "
June 27, 1850. 45-12m-ly.

JEWELRY! JEWELRY!!
JUST received, from the North, an elegant and ex-
tensive assortment of fine Jewelry, Gold and Silver
Watches, Clocks, Plated Ware and Musical Boxes,
to which we would call the attention of Ladies and
citizens of Wilmington and surrounding Country.
We will continue to sell goods in the above line at
prices that will not fail to merit the continuance of
the patronage we have received since our com-
mencement in business, and having now procured
a competent assistant, we will in future be able to
despatch, at the shortest notice, every description of
repairing requisite to adjust and accurately time
Chronometer, Horizontal, Duplex, Lever, Repeating,
and Vertical Watches.
N. B. Clocks, Jewelry, Plated Ware, and Musi-
cal Boxes, promptly and in a workmanlike manner
repaired, and warranted to please by
A. G. BOWERS & BROTHER
(Sign of the Big Watch) Ft. St., Wilmington, N.
Nov. 5. 100-ly

THE RUNAWAY MATCH:

Or How the Schoolmaster Married a Virtu-
tune.

BY MAJ. JAMES OF FINEVILLE.

It's about TEN YEARS ago since the incident
what I'm going to tell took place. It caused
a great sensation in Pineville at the time,
and had the effect to make fellows monstrous
careful how they run away with other peo-
ple's daughter's without their consent ever
since.

Mr. Ebenezer Doolittle was the boma-
blest man after the rich gals that I ever saw.
He hadn't been keepin' school at Pineville
more'n six months, before he had found out
every gal in the settlement whose father
had twenty niggers, and he had courted all
of 'em within a few days' ride. He was
rather old to be popular with the gals, and
somehow they didn't like his ways, and the
way they bluff him off was enough to dis-
courage any body but a Yankee schoolmas-
ter what wanted to get married; and he'd
more'n many years of grace left. But it didn't seem
to make no sort of difference to him. He
was bound to have a rich wife of 'em, and
if he failed in one case it only made him more
persevering in the next. His motto was
"never say die."

Betty D., as they call her, old Mr. Dar-
ling's daughter, what used to live on the
Rune--was about the torn, downest of a gal
in Georgia. Betty was a rich and handsome
and smart, and had more admirers than she
could shake a stick at, but she was such a
"mornin'" little cogget that the boys was
afraid to court her in down right earnest.
When Mr. Doolittle found her out, he went
rite at her like a house-a-fire. She was just
the gal for him, and he was determined to
have her at the risk of his life.

Well, he laid siege to old Mr. Darling's
house day and night, and when he couldn't
leave his school to go and see her, he rit
letters to her that was enough to throw any
gal but Betty Darling into a fit of the high-
terick's to read 'em. Just as every body ex-
pected, after encouraging him just enuff to
make the feller believe he had the thing did,
she kicked him flat. But shaw! he was per-
fectly used to that, he was too much of a
feller to be discouraged by such a rebuff;
when the game was worth pruinin.

He didn't lose a minit's time, but just
breathed up, and went rite at her again. Ev-
erybody was perfectly surpris'd to see him
give back to old Mr. Darling's after the way
he had been treated by Betty; but they
was a great deal more surpris'd, and the
boys was terribly alarmed about a month
at the head way he seemed to be makin' in
his suit. All at once, Miss Betty's conduct
seemed to change towards him, and though
her father and mother was terribly opposed
to the match, any body could see that she
was beginning to like the schoolmaster very
well.

Things went on this way for a while, till
himey old Mr. Darling began to get so
uneasy about it that he told Mr. Doolittle
one day, that he musn't come to his house
no more; and that if he ketched him sendin'
any more love' letters and his kiss verzes to
his daughter by his nigger gals, he'd make
one of his boys give him a fitted cowhid.

But Mr. Doolittle didn't care for that ne-
ther. He could see Miss Betty when she
came a shopping, in stores in town, and that's
more'n one way to get a letter to her. What
did he care for that old Darlin'? His daughter
was wed and hirt in love with him, she was
opposed by her parents, and as for the
property he was certain of that when she
married the gal.

Oh Saturday, when there was no school,
Mr. Doolittle went to old Squire Rogers, and
old him he must be ready to marry a couple
that night, at exactly ten o'clock.

"Mon," sez he, "you musn't say a word to
nobody Squire. The license is all ready,
and the party went to be very private."

Squire Rogers was one of the most accom-
modating fellows in the world on such oc-
asions. Mrs. Rogers was a monstrous cranky,
cross old lady. And nothing does the squire
so much good as to marry others; he didn't
make no odds who they was. Besides Mr.
Doolittle was an injured man and a good
scholar, in his opinion, and belonged to his
church.

Mr. Doolittle arranged the whole business
in first rate order. Miss Betty was to meet
him at the end of her father's lane, disguised
in a ridin dress borrowed for the occasion,
when he was to take her in a close one horse
bouchon and fly with her on the wings of
love," as he said he would, to the Squire's
office whar they was to be united in the bonds
of wedlock before any body in the village
know'd anything about it. He had made ar-
rangements at the hotel for a room, which
he had fixed himself for the auspicious oc-
asion, and he writ a letter to a friend of his
own in Augusta to be that the next week to
take charge of his school, as he thought it
might be necessary for him to keep out of
the way of old Darlin' for a few weeks till
the old feller could have time to come too.
All day Mr. Doolittle was bustling about as
if he wasn't certain which end he stood on,
while the sunshine of his heart beamed from
his yellow colored face in a way to let every
body know something extraordinary was
going to happen.

Just after dark he might have been seen
drivin out by himself in a bouchon towards
old Mr. Darling's. Every body spected
something and all hands was on the lookout.
It was plain to see Squire Rogers' im-
portance was swelled considerable with some-
thing, but nobody could get word out of him.
Mr. Doolittle didn't pass the inn after he
got out of town, and with straining eyes and
palpitating heart, he soon reached the place
appointed to meet the object of his contem-
plated affection.