

ORGAN OF THE TOWN AUTHORITIES DEFERRED FROM LAST NUMBER.

SCRAPS OF HISTORY.

[No. 1.] In setting forth some matter under the above head, we propose, as time and opportunity may permit, to give some reminiscences of the war of 1812-14, and other incidents that we think may serve as illustrations and examples that may invite attention that we shall not omit.

"A little nonsense—now and then—Is related by the wisest men." We do not propose to present anything of consequence in consecutive order, having no memorandum or ciphers to consult or explain; but simply memory, by whose promptings we will scrupulously abide, without having recourse to fiction.

It was in the early fall of 1813, when we were at Fort Mifflin, on the Delaware, and was a Sergeant in the Artillery, of which the brave General Scott was the Colonel. WILLIAM DUANE, the Printer and Editor, was the Adjutant General, and we can say he was quite a good looking officer. We once saw him set handsome examples in drill, at the camp near Ridley, by putting down a pole with a flag at top, at different points of the parade ground, at which points the right of divisions were to rest. We knew but little about this mode, and cannot correctly describe it. We never saw anything like it in the conflict of armies.

If any aristocratic reader shall feel shocked at the word Sergeant, we will tell him that before that we were a private and a corporal, and obtained a Commission in the regular order of promotion, after we had been engaged in some of the practical operations of the drill. If you turn up your nose at this, you can do so; we will not tell a lie for any how; for the reason that we think that if you would have stuck there to this day—had you lived so long. Would hardly have lived long we guess; would have died of fright as likely as not.

But we digress. In the cantonment was a company of Infantry from the South. We had seen southerners before, but these were the first southern men we had ever seen in camp, and the peculiar manner in which the officers called their servant, to whom we afterwards learned they were exceedingly kind, struck us with surprise—it sounded outlandish—"Oh! Billy." This was when they wanted a stew, which some call "cocktail" others "morning dram," with sundry other names not necessary to enumerate. We once heard a man at the South call it an artichoke; pity but what it had choked him, sure enough, for so miscalling it. We remark that this practice of morning drams was not peculiar to the persons of whom we speak.

We never understood the philosophy of the "Oh! Billy" before Billy till we came to the South. We will endeavor to illustrate the matter so that our northern readers may understand. When servants are at a distance from the master, as they frequently are on plantations and other places, the exclamation "Oh! Billy" attracts attention, and Billy designates the person wanted. The negro says "Dat massa, who he call?" "He call you Billy," is the reply.

But we digress again. We desired to say that the men and officers of the Southern detachment were considered as our brethren in arms; beloved for their courtesy, respected for their character, and sub-sequently admired for their valor. With the soldiers there was indeed "no North, no South, no East, no West," and this sentiment was in the heart of that soldierly, but had no affinity with the expression of the politician, with whom it is almost half the time nothing but flummery, and the other half mere "moonshine," if we may say so. In those days we were all one, as the motto on the sacred banner of the Republic "E Pluribus Unum" indicated, and that southern citizens were entitled to the kindest emotions and to the most cordial esteem, and all the generous sympathies of our nature. In these latter years we have done guessing about it, we know it to be so.

We need not say that in the incidents which attended the campaign in upper Canada, the only one of which we are personally cognizant, that the New England and the southern soldier, vied with each other in striving to meet the expectation of their beloved country, and in doing this, a community of danger created an ardent and mutual attachment.

There were no black republicans in camp at the time of which we write. Such a fellow would have been drummed out of it to the tune of "The Rogues March."

A SPUNKY FRENCH WOMAN.

A young French woman was engaged as dressing-maid to a lady of rank in Russia. One day, while combing out her mistress's long black hair, she hurt her head; and the lady turned round and gave her a slap on the face. The French woman, who had hold of her hair, which she was on the point of tying, so that it was all gathered together in her hand, grasped it tightly, and then inflicted a sound correction on the lady's ear with the hair brush.

TRIBUTE TO PRINTERS.

The Chaplain of the N. H. Penitentiary, in reviewing the events of his life since his connection with that institution, pays the following compliment to journeymen printers:

I have the happiness to number among my friends many printers, but though I may seem to imply either a lack of ability on the part of the minister, or want of the qualities that are necessary in order to appreciate good preaching on the other part, yet I will reveal the fact that I have never succeeded well with that class. For the nine long years, and with all the inducements offered, not one of that trade has connected himself with my congregation—and I do not think a man could be found, of all who ever tented our prison, who could set up a column of type. I leave the reader to make his own comments, only remarking, that this can be not accidental, nor can the explanation be that the employment keeps them ignorant of prevailing vices and immoralities, nor yet that young printers are removed from the large masses where corruption engender and spread. In all these respects this class are much exposed. It is evident, we think, that the employment has an elevating tendency, and is favorable to intellectual and moral improvement.

A MURDER TRIAL.

Appearance of the Murdered one.—The Cleveland Plaindealer of this week says: "On Saturday an examination took place before Justice Hessemueller, of Michael Wyngert, for the murder of his wife. This prosecution was induced by the sudden disappearance of the woman, about six weeks since, and it was supposed, from the habitual ill-treatment to which she had been subjected, that she had been murdered. No trace of her could be found, and the statement of the defendant confirmed the suspicion. The evidence in the case had been heard, and though it was circumstantial, the probability of the murder was strongly sustained.

DR. JOHNSTON.

Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, London; graduate from one of the most eminent Colleges of the West Indies; and a member of the Hospital de la Charite in Paris, Philadelphia, and elsewhere, has effected some of the most astonishing cures that were ever known. As a teacher in the English, French, and Spanish languages, he has been successful in many instances, when a student, great nervousness, being alarmed at sudden sounds, and bashfulness, with frequent blushing, attended sometimes with derangements of mind, were the result.

A CERTAIN DISEASE.

When the misguided and imprudent votary of pleasure finds he has imbibed the seeds of this disease, he is seized with a sense of shame, or dread of discovery, deters him from applying to those who, iron education and respectability, can alone benefit him, delaying his cure till he has become a confirmed case. It is a melancholy fact, that thousands fall victims to this disease, and are rendered incapable of any useful pursuit, or of enjoying the pleasures of life.

DEATH FROM TRUNDLING A HOOP.

A boy eight years old, named Francis Magee, died in Philadelphia last week from the effects of being struck on the knee with an iron hoop which he had been running on the sidewalk. The hoop came against a man named Lyons, who kicked it when it struck deceased and caused him to fall. Inflammation of the knee and affection of the chest ensued and caused death.

TAKE PARTICULAR NOTICE.

Dr. Johnston's all powerful medicine, which cures all the most distressing diseases, and restores the system to its original vigor, is now on hand, and is sold at a low price. It is a most valuable medicine, and is sold at a low price. It is a most valuable medicine, and is sold at a low price.

SUPER-PHOSPHATE OF LIME.

100 BAGS SUPER-PHOSPHATE OF LIME, a most valuable fertilizer, just received in store, for sale by ADAMS, BRO. & CO. No. 1.

JUST OPENED.

A Fresh supply of Koso, Batley's Sedative, a South American Remedy, and a number of new preparations. C. & D. DuPRE, No. 9.

THOS. B. CARR, M. D. D. S.

PRACTICAL DENTIST for the last ten years. Charges for 10 or less artificial teeth on fine gold plate, \$7 00. An entire set of teeth on fine gold plate, 150 00. Ditto on gold with artificial gums, 150 00. Ditto on Platin plate with artificial gums, 150 00.

NIXON'S HOUSE.

(FORMERLY MRS. BORDEN'S) WEST SIDE RAIL ROAD, GOLDSBORO, N. C. THIS extensive and well known public Establishment has been purchased and is now open for the reception of the public.

THE TABLE.

Will be a Storehouse of the best Wines and Liquors, and superintended by a gentleman of courtly and liberal manners, who will endeavor to furnish the public with the most select and desirable articles, and to do so at the most reasonable rates.

LOSS OF CATTLE.

The loss of cattle by the cold weather in Texas has been immense. Not less than one third of the stock in many counties, it is thought, had been lost.

BALTIMORE LOCK HOSPITAL.

THE founder of this Celebrated Institution of Medicine, Dr. JOHNSON, has discovered a most effectual and reliable remedy in the world for SECRET DISEASES.

Gleets, Strictures, Seminal Weakness, Pains in the Loin, Constitutional Debility, Impotency, White Discharge, Lymphatic Affections, Dropsy, Nephritis, Diseases of the Heart, Dyspepsia, Nervous Irritability, Diseases of the Head, Throat, and Lungs, and all other diseases arising from the destructive habits of Youth, which destroy both body and mind. These secret and solitary practices must be abandoned, and the patient must be treated by the most effectual and reliable means.

MARRIAGE.

Married persons, or Young Men, contemplating marriage, should be careful to consult Dr. JOHNSON, who will give them the most reliable and effectual advice, and will also give them the most reliable and effectual advice, and will also give them the most reliable and effectual advice.

ORGANIC WEAKNESS.

This dreadful disease is the penalty most frequently paid by those who have become the victims of intemperance. It is a disease which is not only a source of suffering, but also a source of disgrace. It is a disease which is not only a source of suffering, but also a source of disgrace.

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WE have just put up our retail, I can Port Wine, Madeira, the best article ever offered in this market. At the Original Grocery, GEO. MYERS.

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This New Work embraces the statistics and a great variety of other interesting information, and is a most valuable addition to the library of every Methodist. It is a most valuable addition to the library of every Methodist.

OUR MOTTO IS "TO PLEASE"

Wilmington Saddle, Harness, and Trunk Manufactory. The subscriber respectfully informs the public that he has recently received additions to his stock of Saddle and Harness Mountings, &c., the most improved style, and is constantly manufacturing, at his store on Market Street, every description of articles in the above line.

FRESH ARRIVALS.

PER schrs. of Brown and Ned from New York, at GEO. H. KELLEY & BROS., No. 11, North Water street.

NOTICE.

ALL persons having claims against Moore, A. Smith & Co., will please present them for settlement to the undersigned, at his office, No. 10, South Water street, before the 1st of May next.

DR. E. SEYMOUR'S

Celebrated Galvanic Abdominal Supporters. THIS is to certify, that Dr. E. Seymour's Galvanic Abdominal Supporters, are the most valuable and reliable article ever discovered for the cure of all the diseases of the stomach and bowels.

PLANTING POTATOES.

50 BBL'S, expected per schr. Sarah N. Smith, from Providence. For sale by RUSSELL & BRO. Jan. 12.

CARRIAGES.

I six Seated CARRIAGE, 1 Seated Quarter Rockaway, 1 Quarter Rockaway and several light Buggies just received and for sale by DIBBLE & BRO. Sept. 27.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber having qualified as special Administrator of the estate of Cornelius Myers, deceased, and having been authorized to collect in the debts due said estate, hereby notifies all persons indebted to the said estate, to come forward and make immediate payment, as it is desirable that the business be speedily closed.

JUST RECEIVED BY G. H. FRENCH

A TABLE PALMER KILLER, in entire New Zealand. To be sure that you get the genuine New Zealand, inquire for the New Zealand, with two fine engraved medals on each side. April 10.

VALUABLE LANDS ON THE CAPE FEAR RIVER.

THE Lands and Plantations known as the Roane and Blue Banks Plantations, are offered for sale. These lands lie only 15 miles above Wilmington on the Cape Fear River, and extend out to the Wilmington and Manchester Railroad, and are of easy access to one of the best markets in the State of North Carolina.

On the south side of the River, is situated the balance of the lands, estimated at seven thousand five hundred acres, which three fine settlements may be made. The upper portion, or Blue Banks contains some two thousand acres or more, of which there are some hundred and fifty acres now cultivated, and is well adapted to corn, peas, potatoes and cotton.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day associated with me in the Hardware Business in Wilmington, my Son C. E. ROBINSON. The business heretofore conducted under the firm of J. M. Robinson & Son.

WILMINGTON SAVINGS BANK.

THIS Institution located at Capt. Potter's office opposite the Bank of Cape Fear, will be open for the reception of deposits, on the first of each week, from 4 to 7 o'clock, P. M., and on Saturday of each week from 4 to 9 o'clock, P. M.

STEAMBOATS FOR SALE.

WE will sell the Steamers "FAIRY" and "UNION" and the 13th of the steamer "EVERGREEN," all of which are now on the waters of the Pee Dee and Waccamaw.

NOT DEAD.

THE "LIVE GIRAFFE" AGAIN! A New Era About to Dawn Upon North Carolina.

At the constant and earnest solicitation of nearly every body, but especially the silly lads, of old time, we have been induced to promise, if "providence" enough can be secured, to trot that beast out again to the gaze of all mankind, and the universal admiration of the world.

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