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MISCELLANY.

From "Porter's Spirit"

COURTING A WIDOW.

Coming to town one day, I met a friend whom I had not seen for a year. Jones is an eccentric old bachelor, agreeable enough if you happen to please him; but churlish to those he dont like.

'Well, Jones,' said I, 'what have you been doing with yourself this summer?'

'You would not guess in a year,' (Jones was communicative that day.) 'I have turned out again, and have actually been hunting a wife!'

'Good! I speak to be first groomsman—you know you promised me in our college days.'

'Not so fast my friend; I did not say I was going to be married; and, unless somebody does the courting for me, I don't know that I shall ever be a benedict. Confound the women! I thought I had found an exception, this time; but they are all alike. I had tempted maidens to matrimony before, but never a widow till now. It may relieve me to tell you the story, if you can have the patience to listen to it.'

"I'll hear it with the greatest pleasure" (So here is *Jones courtship*—not Major Jones however.)

"You must know,' said Jones, 'I have always been fond of lending a hand and a tongue to match-making, though I never did any good at it.

'One day a friend said to me, Come, go to town with me; I am going to ask a young lady marry me, and I want your useful assistance, as my intended has a sister who plays propriety, and must be kept off. Of course I went.

"Now the girls were both rich—it is well known we court none but rich girls.

"It was a hot summer afternoon when we reached the best hotel in town, and the first man we met was Poco Mas. Poco was *gay;* he acknowledged he h s been taking a *smile;* and the first thing he did was to invite us up to his room to take brandy and ice water, which no southerner ever refuses.

"While imbibing, Poco had the inquisitiveness to ask us what we had come to town for.

I was always remarkable for my candor so I answered for my friend Americus.—We have come up to court fifty thousand a-piece.

"D——n it!' ejacuated Poco Mas, 'I can show one of you three times that amount; and it's a widow; and wont require so much courting as a maid.

(Now the nullities, expletives, emphatics, and almost all southern figures of speech—are oaths; so I'll not set them down,—but let them be understood.) "Show her to me and I'm in for anything that's out. After taking copious notes on three hundred and fifty thousand, we separated,—much satisfied with ourselves.

'The next morning, as I was driving with Dr. Doubloyon, in his buggy, I said to him:

"Do you know a widow Blanc, now in town?'

"Yes,' he answered with animation, 'and she is young, pretty and rich!'

'Deuce take it, there aint a rich marriageable woman in the United States that you do not find out! How did you hear of her?'

"Never mind! Will you introduce me to her?'

'This very evening, at 8 o'clock, if you wish.'

"'*Cest convenu.*' I had a friend who was going to address her, and I wanted to see her, more to tease him, than for any serious intentions on my part; though I did not let the Dr. know it.

"At the appointed time we found the widow in question; she was a charming lady, smiled like an angel, sung like a syren, danced like a fairy, talked like the murmur of a running rill, and had a fault less form. As we went home, the Doctor tapped me on the shoulder to arouse me from my revery, and said:

"'I can tell you something!'"

"What is it?'

"You are in love with that woman." I might have found it out, in a few days;—but the remark put me thinking of it at the moment.

'The next morning as I was walking down the street, I thought I passed her, with another lady, and I stepped into a book-store, till they should go by, that I might see. She came into the store and I conversed with her a few minutes. I left more charmed than ever. That afternoon I called to see her again; and just as I was leaving, she said something about putting my name in her journal. When I reached my hotel, I remembered mine was a hard name to spell; and I enclosed my printed card to her with the pencil note endorsed.

"Mrs. B.—As nobody likes to be miscalled, I enclose you my card, that you may write the name properly; for who likes to be *Miss*-taken! Don't be frightened because I offer you my name, hard as it is, 'Respectfully.

'JONES.'

'A pretty little witty note was returned, in answer, written in a most beautiful hand.

That same evening the Dr. and I called again; and as she said something which I interpreted into a declaration, I took a plain ring from my finger, and was about putting it on hers, when she removed a valuable solitaire and handed it to me; thus rings were exchanged.

In conversation I learned that her *annus lucti* was not; as I thought it not right to court a woman in less than a year after her husband's death.

Before we left that night, she sat down to the piano and sang that charming air from *Linda; Oh, luc di quest anima.* When she came to the verse,

'Our faith then fondly plighting,
Our destiny writing,
This world a heaven shall be!'

she looked tenderly at me, and I felt happy. Besides that, she sung several French and Italian songs, pronouncing the words very correctly for an American.

One I shall ever remember; it began thus—*Isolomo, poverina mia carina,*—a lively, graceful air, in triple time.

After several other visits, I began to gain her confidence, and she told me the sad story of her life. I sympathised with her, and promised to tell her my story, fixing 4 p. m., for my story. Punctual to the moment, she came into the parlor with a smile; I was as serious as a parson at a funeral. She took a seat on the end of a sofa, and I drew up an Elizabeth chair.—so that my arm could rest on the sofa and hers.—After giving her the fiction of my life, I told her I had now determined to marry; that I had led an idle, useless, selfish life, and now I intended to live for some purpose; should my future life be devoted to her happiness? As I pressed her right hand, her left was wiping away the tears that filled her eyes, as I tho't; but there were no tears, I suspected afterwards. I was so much moved, my voice was choked, and I was silent for a moment; at length I told her to reflect on what I had asked her, and to give me an answer some other time.

The innocent and artlessness of the woman charmed me more and more; she knew no more of the world—I foolishly thought—than a girl just out of a convent—and I could hardly imagine a widow so unsophisticated, as she seemed.

'Innocence is ever simple and credulous,' thought I; conscious of no designs itself, it suspects none in others; it wears no protecting shield, bears no weapons of defence but every door and portal avenue of the heart is thrown open, and all who choose do enter.

'Such an artless, unsuspecting creature I fancied the widow to be. Alas, the best of us are liable to mistakes!

One evening I was to see her; three or four gentlemen were in the room, one of them about twenty years of age. 'What young gentleman is that?' I asked her.—'He need not come again to see me,' she said, pettishly; '*I don't want to bring up a my children!*' That was one of the many of the keen replies I have heard her make.—She can be sarcastic, when she tries, as that proves. Cruel cutting that observation! I am sure if the young man had heard it, he would not visit a girl over fifteen, for half a dozen years to come.

Her reply, next day, to my declaration, was very flattering to my vanity. 'She felt that I was so far her superior, she could not think that I was in earnest; I who knew so much, had seen so much of the world, and so many pretty women, love her, an artless, little country widow!'

'I interrupted her, and begged her not to talk so; it was unpleasant to me. Let's talk no more of it now, but have some music to divert our thoughts'

'Ah, no, she said, shaking her head pensively, 'I could not sing now; it is no time for song; the most plaintive music is mockery at such a solemn moment——'

We parted that evening as lovers are wont to part.

Some time previous to my declaration, in the beginning of our acquaintance, I said to her, playfully: 'Mrs. B——, you are passing here for a fortune, and if you deceive some man in that way and marry him, it will be bad for you both; so now, tell me plainly how much you are worth?

'I was surprised to see her regard it as a common and proper question, and was more astonished when she gave me an exact verbal inventory of her whole estate. Curious woman, thought I!

She was about starting on a journey north, with a long suit of beaux. Though her faith was plighted to me, I felt very uneasy.

During her absence, I wrote her several letters, but got no answer to them. There was an elegant gentleman who went as her particular escort, and I was afraid of him; though she vowed he had never mentioned love to her once.

For weeks I suffered like souls in limbo; at last I got a letter from her; I opened it with trepidation, and read:

'MR. JONES:—None of us can foretell what will happen to us in this world; but we can tell well enough what has happened; and it is my duty to inform you what has happened to me; I *happen* to *like* some man better than you; so you need not give yourself the trouble to visit me this fall, as you *perhaps fondly* anticipate.

Respectfully and truthfully,
MARY BLANC.'

Now, if a man can be sued for a breach of promise, what remedy is there against a woman for the same crime? None, Mr Jones, none; it is the sex's royal prerogative. Jones hereby warns all old bachelors to *beware of the widders.*

LOVE TOKENS.

The ancient English custom of giving love tokens on the twentieth of August was a very wise and far-seeing plan for settling young ladies in life, and would, if revived, enable a mamma with a large family of girls to get rid of them as quickly as pineapples at a penny a slice. It was the custom in England, a long time ago, for "enamored maydes and gentil women" to give their favorite swains, as tokens of their love, little handkerchiefs, about three or four inches square, wrought round about, often in embroidery, with a tassell at each corner and a small one in the centre. The finest of these favors were edged with narrow gold lace or twist; and then, being folded up in four cross folds, so that the middle might be seen, they were worn by the accepted lovers in their hats or on the breast. These favors became, at last, so much in vogue, that they were sold ready made in the shops, in Queen Elizabeth's time, from sixpence to sixteen pence a piece.

A nice young lady of Early County, Ga., has no patience with stuck up, vulgar individuals who contradict her and pretend, in their arrogance, to know so much better than she does.

Singular—to see a boarding school Miss afraid of a cow, notwithstanding she did "call the milking to hum," a few months previous.

A HAPPY MARRIAGE

A dozen years ago Mr. X., a young gentleman of high family and ample fortune, was riding upon one of the quays, when he was so unfortunate as to run over a poor workman, who soon after died from the effects of the injuries he had received. Mr. X. was greatly grieved at the accident, and hastened to the family of the poor man all the reparation in his power. He gave the widow a life income and charged himself with the education of her daughter, a little girl seven years old. Marie, the child, was pretty and intelligent, and Mr X forgetting the future of a workman's daughter, placed her in a first-class school. In a few years Marie became a beautiful and accomplished young lady. When it was too late her benefactor discovered that it was impossible for such a creature as Marie to descend to the level of her parents. He was himself a very ugly man, and had found his lack of good looks an obstacle in the way of his contracting a marriage suitable to his rank in life. He, therefore, determined to remain a bachelor, and leave his entire fortune to his young protege, and whoever she might choose for a husband. He informed her of his intention, and questioned her as to whom she would like to marry. The result may be divined. She asked for no better husband than himself. Mr. X. was much surprised at this avowal, which his modesty at first set down to the account of gratitude, but he finally determined to be a happy Benedict, and the marriage was solemnized.

ONE OF THE WONDERS OF THE WORLD.

There was a good deal said, says the Boston Post, about the "Victoria Bridge" at the late Canada celebration, and a story is afloat that her nice little Majesty will come over the seas to celebrate its completion. This structure across the St Lawrence, a short way above Montreal, the Canada papers tell us, will be one of the great wonders of the world. It was commenced in July, 1854, and is under contract to be completed in 1860. The total estimated cost was originally about $7,000,000; but recently the plans have been amended so as to reduce it to a little over $6,000,000. The extreme length of the bridge, including the abutment at each side, will be 7,000 feet, or rather more than a mile and a quarter. There will be 20 piers of solid masonry supporting the iron superstructure of the bridge. The centre will span 330 feet, and the other spans each 242 feet wide. The height of the centre of the bridge is 60 feet above the water level. The weight of iron in the tubes will be 8,000 tons, and contents of the masonry 30,000,000 cubic feet, when the whole structure is finished. The famous Britannia, Tabular Suspension Bridge, crossing the Menai Straits, and now one of the curiosities of the world, will scarcely be a circumstance to it. Including the embankments at each side, the total length of the bridge, from river bank to river bank, will be 10,284 feet, or very near two miles. Nine piers of the bridge are now completed, but are, as yet, unconnected by any roadway. They present a plain surface on the two sides and lower end; the side facing the current being of wedge shape, in order to break and turn aside the blocks of ice, to provide against whose destructive powers has been the great engineering difficulty of the enterprise.

WRONGLY BESTOWED CLEMENCY.

Among the convicts pardoned by Ex-Governor CLARK, of New York, was one BERNARD MOONEY, who had been sentenced for 10 years in the State Prison. He had served 26 months when he was liberated On New Year, a few days after his liberation, this BERNARD MOONEY murdered WM. DUNN at the corner of Twenty-seventh street and Broadway. The murder was committed with a slung shot

A DEAR DEER-SLAYER.

The South Side (Va.) Democrat says that a few days ago Mrs Wells, of Prince George, saw her dogs running a fine deer in the neighborhood of her house, and feeling all the enthusiastic excitement of a true sportswoman, she seized her gun and joined in the chase. The deer made for the river, hotly pursued, and tried to cross on the ice, but ere he progressed far the well-directed lead from the lady's rifle made venison of him. He was carried home, and not only reflected credit on the gallant sportswoman, but on all who were invited to the feast.

A farmer in Princes Anne county Va., has had 200 men employed killing ducks, and up to the 20th inst., they had consumed 23 kegs of gunpowder. He ships, on an average, 15 barrels of ducks to New York every week.

J. C. LATTA,
COMMISSION MERCHANT & GENERAL AGENT.
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Oct. 1, 1856. 85-1y-c.

HENRY NUTT,
FACTOR AND FORWARDING AGENT,
Willgive his personal attention to business entrusted to his care.
Sept. 8, 1856. 75-1y-c.

GEORGE MYERS,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL GROCER
Keeps constantly on hand, Wines, Teas, Liquors Provisions, Wood and Willow Ware, Fruit, Confectionaries, &c South Front street,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Nov. 18, 1855. 109

G. DOLLNER, G. POTTER JR. J. CAMERDEN.
DOLLNER, POTTER & CO.
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
NEW YORK.
April 30, 1855. 20-1y.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.
DR. BURNS; CORN SHELLERS; STRAW CUTTERS; WHEEL-BARROWS, &c. &c.
Constantly on hand and for sale by
Jan 17 ZENO H GREENE.

D. CASHWELL,
COMMISSION MERCHANT,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Sept. 30. 64-tf

WINES AND LIQUORS.

WE invite the attention of our Friends and Patrons to the best selection of Wines and Liquors ever offered in this market, consisting of

Crescent Brandy, Vintage 1810, Pale and Dark,
Otard Dupuy & Co.'s Brandy,
Old Cognac do.
S. Brasson & Co.'s do.
Castillon & Co.'s do.
Pure old Port Wine,
Duff Gordon, Pale, Sherry, old Madeira and Muscat Wines,
Malaga Wine,
Old Scuppernong Wine,
Holland Gin,
Old Tom Gin—extra,
Woolf's Schiedam Schnapps,
Cherry Brandy,
Old Peach Brandy,
" Apple do.
" Bourbon Whiskey,
" Rye do
Irish and Scotch Whiskey,
Blackberry Brandy,
Sic. Madeira Wine,
Perfect Love Cordial,
Assorted Cordials, in bottles,
Every variety of bottled Wines and Liquors,
Clarets of various brands at wholesale prices,
Maraschino; Curacoa,
Hostetler's Stomach Bitters
Aromatic do. do
Ginger Wine, &c &c. low prices for CASH. At the original Brewery.
April 17. GEO. MYER'S.

CRACKERS. CRACKERS.
25 Bbls. Crackers and 25 boxes do.; Now landing and for sale by
Jan. 3. ZENO H. GREENE.

NEW CROP MOLASSES.
150 HHDS. daily expected to arrive from Cuba. For sale by
J. C. SMITH & CO.
Dec. 13. 115-tf.

J. M. STEVENSON,
AGENT for the sale of all kinds of Produce.—Office on Princess st., under ADAMS, BRO. & CO., Wilmington, N. C.
Feb 12. [131-tf. J. M. STEVENSON

RAISINS! RAISINS!!
50 Boxes new crop to whole, half and quarter boxes. Just received and for sale by
Dec 18. ZENO H. GREENE.
(N. C. C. A, copy.)

EATING POTATOES.
50 BARRELS PRIME EATING POTATOES. For sale by
Jan. 8 ADAMS, BRO. & CO.

ORANGES! ORANGES!!
JUST received per Schr. British Queen 25,000 very superior oranges. A rare chance is offered to country customers,
Dec 10. W. H. DENEALE.

PRAYER BOOKS—Bibles; Hymn Books; Psalmodies; Psalms and Hymns; Church Service; Home Service, &c., in various bindings, for sale at WHITAKER'S.
Dec 24.

CANTON CRACKERS.
300 BOXES, just received. For sale, wholesale and retail by
Dec. 18. W. H. DENEALE.

GROCERIES, PLOUGHS, &c.
THE SUBSCRIBER HAVING LOCATED HIMSELF AT
No. 15 MARKET STREET,
WOULD be pleased to receive the patronage of all CASH paying customers, and those who will pay at SHORT NOTICE. Such customers will find it to their advantage to give him a call before purchasing elsewhere.
200 Ploughs; 200 lbs. Plough Castings;
4 dozen Canal Betrows;
1 " Corn Sellers;
25 boxes Raisins;
Citron, Nuts, &c;
Family, Fine and Super Flour;
Fulton Market Beef;
Shot and Powder
Tenes; Leaf, Crushed, Clarified and Brown Sugars;
Java, Laguayra and Rio Coffee;
AND,
All kinds of Woden Ware;
Butter, Cheese and Lard;
Tobacco and Segars;
Wines and Liquors;
Axes, Spades and Shovels;
Pot and Straw Ware;
Jugs, Bottles and Flasks;
Percussion Cap and many articles too tedious to mention.
A. HARTSFIELD.
Jan. 8 No. 15, Market street. 125-tf

EMPTY SPIRITS BARRELS.
300 prime second hand Barrels just received per Schr Lake, for sale by
Jan. 16. ADAMS, BRO. & CO.

CAND! CANDY!!
50 Boxes super Candy, just in store. For sale by the lb by
Dec. 18. W. H. DENEALE.

NERO PASSES.
A NEW form of passes, containing sanitary provisions, approved by the Commissioners, and a number of other interested in the welfare of our colored population is just issued at the office of *The Commercial*

TICKNOR'S LATE PUBLICATIONS.
MEMORIAS and other Papers, by Thomas DeQuincey, author of Confessions of an English Opium Eater, etc., etc., 2 vols
Poems by Charles Kingsley, author of Hypatia, Annyas Leighton, etc.
Monaldi, sale by Washington Allston. It is never too late to mend a matter of fact Romance, by Charles Lever, author of Peg Woffington Christie Johns, &c., &c.
The Heroes; Rev. Charles Kingsley, &c., &c.
On hand and for sale at
Jan. 1. WHITAKER'S

TURPENTINE AND TIMBER LANDS,
SHERIFF'S SALE.
WILL BE SOLD AT THE COURT HOUSE at Trader's H, Charlton County, Georgia, on the 3d day of Feb'ry next, 20 a 30 thousand acres prime Turpentine lands, on and near the Satilla River, and few miles from the new Rail Road, now building
Dec. 13. 115—until Jan. 29.
(Dalhousie, copy.)

CAROLINA SADLE AND HARNESS ESTABLISHMENT.
Corner Market & Second Sts., under the Carolina Hotel, Wilmington, N. C.
THE UNDERSIGNED RESPECTFULLY takes this method to inform the citizens of Wilmington and surrounding country, that he has taken the store on the corner Market and Second streets, under the Carolina Hotel, where he would be pleased to exhibit a stock, consisting of Saddles Bridles, Martingales, Harness, Trunks, Whips, Spurs, and all articles usually kept in such an establishment, all of which he will sell low for cash, or on accommodating terms. Call and examine as he solicits a share of public patronage.
☞ Repairing done at short notice.
Oct 25. WM. L. JACOBS. 95—tf.

SOME OF THE HANDSOMEST CHRISTMAS BOOKS ARE The Court of Naples; The Republican Court; Rural Rambles; American Song; Book of Beauty; Floral Keepsake; Boof Engravings; Homes and Haunts of the Wood and Good; Standard Works in Poetry, Hist. Biography, &c., richly bound. For sale at WHITAKER'S.
Dec. 20.

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THE PROPRIETOR of this well known Establishment would call the attention of the business community to his large and beautiful assortment of Type and Presses—having just added to his stock one of R. Hoe & Co's PATENT SINGLE CYLINDER PRINTING MACHINES, he is now enabled to work at a much more reasonable rate than formerly, and the finest style of the work.

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Printed from $3 to $10 per ones.
BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS,
RECEIPTS FOR
RAILROADS, STEAMBOATS, CORPORATIONS, &c.
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&c., &c., &c.

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We would call the attention of Concert Agents, Showmen and others, to our facilities for doing this kind of work.

ALL KINDS OF
PLAIN AND ORNAMENTAL PRINTING,
Done in the neatest manner, and at short notice.
Those in want of Printing we trust will find it to their advantage to give us a call.

COMMERCIAL BLANKS.
The attention of Shippers and others is called our extensive assortment of Commercial Blanks. Among the collection is a very fine and handsome lot of Bills of Exchange, in sheets and books.
November 8, 1855.

SULTANA RAISINS.
WE have in store a delicious article of the above Raisins. For sale by
Dec. 18. W. H. DENEALE.

FOR RENT.
A HOUSE over the Rail Road, near the Depot and new plank road corner of 3d and Brunswick streets. Possession given immediately, inquire of G. & C. BRADLEY.
Dec. 23. 119—tf.

SUGARS & COFFEE.
50 BBLS. sugars, all grades,
30 bags Rio, Laguayra, and Java Coffee.
In store and for sale by
Dec. 18. ZENO H. GREENE.
(N. C. C. A. copy.)

JUST RECEIVED BY G. R. FRENCH,
A FRESH supply of PERRY DAVIS' VEGETABLE PAIN KILLER, in entire New Dress. To be sure that you get the genuine Medicine, inquire for the New Dress—with two fine engraved steel labels on each bottle.
April 19. 15-tf

NOTICE.
THE subscriber respectfully call's the attention of his customers and patrons to their Accounts, due January 1st, 1857. It is hoped they will be paid immediately, as the bills are now ready.
Jan. 3. GEO. MYERS.

BASKETS.
WE have a large lot of Baskets of various sizes, and styles. For sale by
Dec. 18. W. H. DENEALE.

FOR SALE.
375 Acres Pine Land, situated immediately upon Wilmington and Weldon R. R., four to five miles from Depot at Wilmington.
—AND—
50 Acres of Rice or Meadow Land, situated between Force Put and Thombury; 11 of which is fine Swamp Land. For terms, &c., apply to M. CRONLY.
Oct. 30, 1855. 97 tf

NOTICE.
THE CO PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing under the name and style of SHEPARD & MYERS, in this day dissolved by mutual consent. And all parties indebted to the late firm, are requested to make immediate payment to either of the undersigned.
A. C. SHEPARD,
CHAS. D. MYERS.

HAVING PURCHASED the entire interest of the Wilmington Hat & Cap Emporium, we would bespeak from the public a continuance of that support so kindly bestowed upon the late firm. CHAS. D. MYERS.
Jan. 3. 123

NOTICE.
ALL persons having accounts against the Wilmington & Manchester Rail Road, not rendered, will be pleased to present them forthwith at the office of the Company.
Nov 27. 108—2m.

NOTICE
THE subscriber, respectfully informs the public, that he is now transacting the Auction business on his own account, and hopes by strict attention to business, to merit a continuance of that patronage heretofore so liberally bestowed upon him.
M. CRONLY.
Stock, Real Estate and Negroes bought and sold on a commission, either at private or public sale.
Jan 5, 1854.

BUSINESS CARDS.

GEORGE R. FRENCH,
MANUFACTURER AND
WHOLESALE & RETAIL DEALER
IN
BOOTS, SHOES, LEATHER, AND
SHOE FINDINGS,
NO. 11, MARKET STREET,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
March 6. 151

L. N. BARLOW,
WHOLESALE & RETAIL GROCER,
AND DEALER IN
LIQUORS, WINES ALE PORTER &c.
No. 3, Granite Row, Front Street,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Feb. 17th, 1856. 140-tf.

ADAMS, BROTHER & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
July 28. 58

JAS. C. SMITH. MILES COSTIN.
JAS. C. SMITH & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
No. 2, SOUTH WATER STREET,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
April 26. 18-1y

STOKLEY & OLDHAM,
GROCERS
AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Liberal Cash advances made on Flour, Cotton, and Naval Stores consigned to them.
Aug. 16. 65 1y.

W. G. MILLIGAN,
MARBLE MANUFACTURER,
NORTH WATER STREET, WILMINGTON, N. C.
Monuments, Toombs, Head and Foot Stones, and all kinds of Marble Work furnished to order on reasonable terms.
June 5. 36-1y-c

SAMUEL A. HOLMES,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Will attend the Courts of Duplin, Sampson and New Hanover.
Office on Princess street, next door East of the State Bank.
April 5. 9-1y

NOTICE.
DESIGNS AND ESTIMATES for a Monument to be erected in commemoration of the Battle of Moore's Creek, are solicited to be submitted by or before the 22nd February. Cost not to exceed $5,000. Address
DONALD MACRAE,
P. K DICKINSON,
E. A. ANDERSON, } Committee.
D. MACRAE.
Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 10, 1857. 126—1m.

GEO. W. DAVIS,
COMMISSION MERCHANT,
SOUTH WATER STREET,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
Jan. 22. 132.

ANDREW S. KEMP,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
ELIZABETHTOWN, N. C.
Will attend the County and Superior Courts of Bladen, Robeson, Columbus and Sampson.
June 12. 38 1y

HENRY BURKHIMER
WHOLESALE & RETAIL
TOBACCO, SNUFF AND CIGAR STORE,
"SIGN OF THE INDIAN CHIEF"
MARKET STREET one door above Water
Wilmington, N. C.
N. B. All Orders filled with despatch.
Oct. 26th, 1855. 93-1&w-c.

L. W. PIGOTT,
COMMISSION MERCHANT,
BEAUFORT, N. C.
Any business entrusted to his attention will be attended to promptly and to the best of his ability.
REFERENCES:
Cumming & Styron, Com. Merchants } Wilmington N. C.
Mr. Jas. Norcum, Attorney at Law, }
Mr. Edward Stanly, Beaufort N. C.
Mr. Benjamin L. Perry, General Agent for Underwrighters, Beaufort, N. C.
Feb. 5th, 1856. 21-12m-w.

CHOICE OLD SCUPPERNONG WINE.
WE have just received three barrels of this elegant Old Wine. Together with Champaigns of the best and most celebrated Brands—1 pipe Old Tom Gin—half pipe of that Cresent Brandy. Old Bourbon Whiskey, Old Monongehela and Rye Whiskey, Peach and Apple Brandy, Sherry, Port, Mederia, Claret Malaga and Mederia Wine for cooking purposes, Citron Raisins, Currants In fact every article belonging to the Grocery Business can be found here upon the lowest *cash terms.* At GEO. MYERS.
Nov. 27. 108.

EMPTY SPIRIT BARRELS.
A PRIME LOT OF 50 EMPTY SPIRIT Barrels, just received per Schr. M. Y. Davis, and for sale by ADAMS, BRO. & CO.
Jan. 8.

SUGARS. SUGARS.
35 BBLS. C, Yellow;
15 do. crushed and A. White;
5 do. Ground Loaf;
Now landing from Schr. "W. H. Smith," and for sale by ZENO H. GREENE.
Jan. 3.

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED
25 Bbls. of those No. 2 Mackerel.
10 half Bbls. " "
10 half Bbls. No. 1 " "
Nov. 27. At GEO. MYERS.

ICE, ICE, ICE.
THE Wilmington Ice House will be open for delivery of ICE from sunrise to sunset, except on Sunday, when it will be closed at 9 o'clock in the morning.
Price One cent per pound for quantities of three pounds and over.
Terms cash, in all cases, without exception.
Tickets can be procured by such as desire them.
Ice furnished to the sick poor, free of charge, when by direction from physicians or visiting committees.
April 19. 15 tf

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.
TWELVE TOWN LOTS, all in one body, on Sixth street. Location high and pleasant; water excellent; a plank and saw-dust road leading from the premises to Market street, making one of the finest drives about town. The lots are all under one fence, but will be sold separately, if desired. Any one wishing to purchase the whole property, by offering an inducement can also purchase the improved corner lot, on which is located my present dwelling—a two story house, with wing, eight rooms, three piazzas, &c. Also, Kitchen, Stables, Carriage House, &c.,—altogether one of the most pleasant suburban residences to be found in this vicinity. Terms accommodating. Apply to
JNO. D. LOVE,
Dec. 19 No. 19 Front street.

BALTIMORE LOCK HOSPITAL.
DR. JOHNSTON,
THE founder of this Celebrated Institution offers the most certain, Speedy and only effectual remedy in the world for
SECRET DISEASES.
Gleets, Strictures, Seminal Weakness, Pains in the Loins, Constitutional Debility, Impotency, Weakness of the Back and Limbs, Affections of the Kidneys, Palpitation of the Heart, Dyspepsia, Nervous Irritability, Disease of the Head, Throat Nose or Skin; those serious and melancholy disorders arising from the destructive habits of Youth, which destroy both body and mind. *Those secret* and solitary practices more fatal to their victims than the song of the Syrens to the mariners of Ulysses, blighting their most brilliant hopes or anticipations, rendering marriage, &c., impossible.
YOUNG MEN.
Especially, who have become the victims of *Solitary Vice*, that dreadful and destructive habit which annually sweeps to an untimely grave thousands of young men of the most exalted talents and brilliant intellect, who might otherwise have entranced listening Senates with the thunders of eloquence, or waked to ecstacy the living lyre, may call with full confidence.
MARRIAGE.
Married persons, or Young Men, contemplating marriage, being aware of Physical Weakness, Organic Debility, Deformities, &c., should immediately consult Dr. J., and be restored to perfect health.
He who places himself under the care of Dr. Johnston may religiously confide in his honor as a gentleman, and confidently rely upon his skill as a physician.
DR. JOHNSTON is the only regularly Educated Physician advertising to cure Private Complaints. His remedies and treatment are entirely unknown to all others. Prepared from a life spent in the Great Hospitals of Europe and the First in this Country, viz: England, France, the Blockley of Philadelphia, &c., and a more extensive practice than any other physician in the world. His many wonderful cures and most Important Surgical Operations is a sufficient guarantee to the afflicted.—*Those who wish to be speedily and effectually relieved, should shun the numerous trifling impostors,* who only ruin their health, and apply to him.
A CURE WARRANTED OR NO CHARGE.
No Mercury or Nauseous Drugs Used.
OFFICE, No. 7, SOUTH FREDERICK ST., left hand side going from Baltimore street, a few doors from the corner. Fail not to observe his name and number, for ignorant trifling impostors, attracted by the reputation of Dr. Johnston, lurk near.
DR. JOHNSTON,
Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, London; graduate from one of the most eminent Colleges of the United States, and the greater part of whose life has been spent in the Hospitals of London, Paris, Philadelphia, and elsewhere, has effected some of the most astonishing cures that were ever known. Many troubled with ringing in the ears and head when asleep, great nervousness, being alarmed at sudden sounds, and bashfulness, with frequent blushing, attended sometimes with derangement of mind, were cured immediately.
A CERTAIN DISEASE.
When the misguided and imprudent votary of pleasure finds he has imbibed the seeds of this painful disease, it too often happens that an ill-timed sense of shame, or dread of discovery, deters him from applying to those who, from education and respectability, can alone befriend him, delaying till the constitutional symptoms of this horrid disease make their appearance, such as ulcerated sore throat, diseased nose, nocturnal pains in the head and limbs, dimness of sight, deafness, nodes on the shin bones and arms, blotches on the head, face and extremities, progressing with frightful rapidity, till at last the palate of the mouth or the bones of the nose fall in, and the victim of this awful disease becomes a horrid object of commiseration, till death puts a period to his dreadful sufferings, by sending him to "that bourne from whence no traveller returns." To such therefore, Dr. Johnston pledges himself to preserve the most inviolable secrecy; and, from his extensive practice in the first Hospitals of Europe and America, he can confidently recommend a safe and speedy cure to the unfortunate victim of this horrid disease. It is a melancholy fact, that thousands fall victims to this dreadful complaint, owing to the unskillfulness of ignorant pretenders, who, by the use of that deadly poison, mercury, ruin the constitution, and either send the unfortunate sufferer to an untimely grave, or else make the residue of life miserable.
TAKE PARTICULAR NOTICE.
Dr. J. addresses all those who have injured themselves by private and improper indulgences.
These are some of the sad and melancholy effects, produced by early habits of youth, viz:—Weakness of the Back and Limbs, Pains in the Head, Dimness of Sight, Loss of Muscular Power, Palpitation of the Heart, Dyspepsy, Nervous Irritability Derangement of the Digestive Functions, General Debility, Symptoms of Consumption, &c.
Mentally—The fearful effects on the mind are much to be dreaded; Loss of Memory, Confusion of Ideas, Depression of Spirits, Evil Forebodings, Aversion of Society, Self Distrust, Love of Solitude, Timidity, &c., are some of the evils produced.
Thousands of persons of all ages, can now judge what is the cause of their declining health. Losing their vigor, becoming weak, pale and emaciated, have a singular appearance about the eyes, cough and symptoms of consumption.
DR. JOHNSTON'S INVIGORATING REMEDY FOR ORGANIC WEAKNESS.
By this great and important remedy weakness of the organs are speedily cured and full vigor restored. Thousands of the most Nervous and Debilitated individuals who had lost all hope, have been immediately relieved. All impediments to MARRIAGE Physical or Mental Disqualifications, Nervous Irritability Tremblings and Weakness, or exhaustion of the most fearful kind, speedily cured by Dr Johnston.
Young men who have injured themselves by a certain practice indulged in when alone—a habit frequently learned from evil companions, or at school, the effects of which are nightly felt, even when asleep, and if not cured, renders marriage impossible, and destroys both mind and body, should apply immediately.
What a pity that a young man, the hope of his country, and the darling of his parents, should be snatched from all prospects and enjoyments of life, by the consequences of deviating from the path of nature, and indulging in a certain secret habit.—Such persons, before contemplating
MARRIAGE,
Should reflect that a sound mind and body are the most necessary requisites to promote connubial happiness. Indeed, without these, the journey through life becomes a weary pilgrimage; the prospect hourly darkens to the view; the mind becomes shadowed with despair and filled with the melancholy reflection that the happiness of another becomes blighted with our own.
OFFICE NO. 7 SOUTH FREDERICK-ST.,
BALTIMORE, MD.
All Surgical Operations Performed.
N. B. Let no false delicacy prevent you, but apply immediately either personally or by letter.
Skin Diseases Speedily Cured.
TO STRANGERS.
The many thousands cured at this Institution within the last ten years, and the numerous important Surgical Operations performed by Dr. J., witnessed by the Reporters of the papers, and many other persons, notices of which have appeared again and again before the public, besides his standing as a gentleman of character and responsibility, is a sufficient guarantee to the afflicted.
TAKE NOTICE.
It is with the greatest reluctance that Dr. JOHNSTON permits his card to appear before the public, deeming it unprofessional for a physician to advertise, but unless he did so, the afflicted, especially strangers, could not fail to fall into the hands of the many impudent and unlearned Imposters, with innumerable False Names, who combined Quackshops