

It is a matter of much regret to the Editor that no attempts are made to assist his views in giving a character to the Camden Gazette, farther than that derived from selection. A few very laudable exertions were made at first, but the spirit of industry and learning has subsided, at present. Let it not be supposed however, that we have no talents adequate to the undertaking. The want of exertion arises more from inattention than incapacity.

We have been lately told by a friend; that the plan which we have pursued in conducting this paper, is not well adapted to the understanding of a majority of our readers. We will only observe, that a little attention will not only render it palatable, but interesting. That he who takes up a paper for amusement, and not instruction, will not be fully gratified, is conceded; but it should be recollected that the principal object of reading is improvement, and he who lends a little attention will soon acquire a taste for the study of such subjects as are embraced in our plan.

At a meeting of the merchants of this place, held for the purpose of inquiring into the propriety of encouraging the circulation of *papers*, issued by individuals, it was resolved, that no encouragement should be given to any further circulation of such paper. They therefore entered into agreement not to receive them.

He who takes a view of the abodes of wretchedness, which every where meet the eye, of a stranger, in those dreary tracts which are in the low parts of this state, will acknowledge that the following anecdote exemplifies the character of their inhabitants, very satisfactorily. It is well known that their aspect is generally meagre, wraggled and smoky; their actions slow and circumspect. They are remarkable for indolence, effeminacy, and taciturnity.

The hero was a man who occupied a log house with a mistress, who claimed the only bed on which they reposed. Tired of adultery, and desirous of attaching himself to a mistress, who had, Prometheus like, touched his soul with a celestial spark, which kindled and augmented with time. He resolved to disclose to her his entraptured thoughts, and, with her permission, betroth himself to her. The communication was warm, frank and ingenious. Her tender bosom glowed with congenial affection. The proposal was sanctioned, and the time agreed upon for the consummation of their nuptials. The only remaining difficulty arose from obtaining parental consent. The father, morose, ruthless & obstinate, refused peremptorily. At length their brilliant imaginations suggested a scheme of elopement, and a neighbouring squire was to tie the *gordon knot*. He goes home, inveigles his mistress on, leaves her and hastens to meet his *duenna*. They repair to the squire and confirm their engagement. Meanwhile, the woman whom he had just conveyed from his house, takes an affront—swears vengeance, returns, takes her bead and leaves the house. Our happy couple, unapprehended of impending danger, rode on in the highest expectation of future bliss and prosperity. Upon arriving, preparations were made for going to bed, when to their surprise a vestige of bed or covering was left behind. All propitious fortune, who is ever ready to remedy the worst of evils, pointed to the door as a happy substitute. They unthence it and make it their covering. The howling wind was at first but music in their ears, and the morning frost only procrastinated their rising. Scarcely had the rays of the sun tinged the east, when they were astonished by a distant voice collecting stock.—This reminded them of the severity of winter, and they began to commiserate the husbandman for his sufferings.—“Oh! (exclaimed the infatuated husband) how happy are we, my dearest creature, that we

have neither hogs nor cattle to draw us into the cold.

PHILADELPHIA, August 10. EXECUTION

This morning at half past eleven, RICHARD SMITH was executed agreeably to his sentence at the place designated in yesterday's Gazette. On this occasion, he was attended by the Rev. Mr. Hunsey, and the usual civil escort.

AGRICULTURE IN SPAIN.

The King of Spain has issued a log decree for the encouragement of agriculture in his kingdom; he purposes to dispense with all taxes on such lands as shall be brought into a state of cultivation, from a state of waste, & promises to intercede with the Ottoman Pontiff to do the same as far as the rights of the church are concerned.

A mob of Peasants about 1000 in number, have destroyed the rice fields in the neighbourhood of Bologna, in Italy, under pretence that they poisoned the air. The cultivation of rice was introduced about 13 years since. London paper.

It is reported that Richard Meade, Esq. of this City, while acting as vice-consul, (in the absence of Mr. Cathcart,) at Cadix, has been seized by an armed force under the authority of the Spanish government, and committed to a dungeon in the Castle of St. Catalina. Philadelphia paper.

There is a warm struggle about the Governor of Louisiana; Mr. Claiborne's term expiring, two candidates are brought forward; Judge Lewis by the American and Spanish party; Gen. Villare, by the French. The election was on the 1st inst. It is conjectured, that Lewis will be elected by the People; but here comes in a vile and singular feature of their constitution: the Legislature are those out of the two highest candidates voted for by the people, the man who is most agreeable to themselves. Richmond Enquirer.

Various persons flying from Spain into Portugal mention that wide and extensive plots and conspiracies are every where hatching; and that the country is really filled with Catalines.

The very brute creation are to be envied by that man whose reflection has not taught him to disdain care and passion of their hostile weapons.

MEMORY.

O memory! thou soul of joy and pain! Thou actor of our passions o'er again! Why dost thou aggravate the wretch's woe? Why add continuous smart to every blow? Few are my joys; alas, how soon forgot! On that kind quarter thou invadest me not! While sharp and numberless my arrows fall: Yet thou repeat'st, and multipl'st them all! In chance a guilt then my disastrous heart, For which I never meant, must ever smart!

Wholesale Prices Current.

Table listing prices for various goods like Cotton, Rice, Flour, Corn, etc. with columns for Charleston and Camden prices.

NOW IN THE PRESS.

And will be ready for delivery on Saturday. (Price 18 3-4 cts.)

A Sermon,

Preached in Camden, on the death of the Rev'd FRANCIS ASBURY. One of the Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church in America. By HILLIARD JUDER, Elder, M. E. C. They will be for sale at Mr. Clark's and at Mr. Mathis' Stores, at the Post Office, and at the Office of this Gazette. Considerable allowance made to those who buy a quantity. August 22, 1816.

AT AUCTION.

Sale of Cotton Bagging. ON ACCOUNT OF ALL CONCERNED. On Thursday the 29th inst. at 12 o'clock, before the Court House in Camden, will be sold to the highest bidder, 39 pieces of cotton bagging; damaged on board Mr. Phinebas Thornton's boat, on her passage from Charleston to Camden.—Terms of sale, cash before delivery, and if not taken away before 12 o'clock on the next day after the sale, to be sold for cash on account and at the risk of the former purchaser. JAMES CLARK, F. M. August 20, 1816.

FOR SALE.

By the Subscriber, the following articles: FIVE Tons Iron, flat, square & round, assorted sizes; Sheet Iron for Cotton Gins, Pots, Tea-kettles, Grindstones, &c. A large and general assortment of Dry Goods, Groceries, Cutlery and Hardware. Also, CROCKERY assorted, 400 lbs Lamp Black, and a quantity of Sole and Shirting Leather. All which he will dispose of on good terms. JAMES CLARK. Camden, Aug. 22, 1816. 1-3

THE Subscriber offers for Sale, at reduced prices, his present stock of GOODS, consisting of a handsome assortment of Dry Goods, Hardware, &c. which have been purchased lately for cash; any person disposed to purchase the whole stock, may obtain them on advantageous terms. He likewise offers for sale his HOUSE and LOTS, and 48 acres LAND about two miles from Camden. J. S. MURRAY. August 22, 1816. 1-3

NOTICE.

THE petitioner humbly solicits all his friends in Kershaw District, to aid and assist him in trying to acquire a majority of votes in his favour, for the Sheriff's place, at our next election, as he assures them that he is a real candidate. WM. BRASINGTON. Camden, Aug. 21, 1816. 21d

Shannon & Ballard HAVING received an addition to their former stock, have now on hand a handsome and general assortment of Summer Goods, which they offer for sale at very reduced prices. Camden, July 16, 1816. 6w16

For Sale,

A BODY of good High LAND of about SIX THOUSAND ACRES, in Lancaster County, on Wild Cat Branch and Camp and Crane Creeks; the Platts are in possession of James H. Blair, who can give information about the Lands to any person wishing to purchase, and will receive proposals for the same. ROBERT BALKLEY, DUNCAN M'RA, ZACH. CANTEY. July 19, 1816. 17d.

50 Dollars Reward

LOST, on the 17th November last, three bundles containing papers, valuable to no one but myself. Persons holding said papers are informed that should the same be left with the Post-Master, no questions shall be asked, and the above reward given, to any person claiming the same, either under a real or fictitious name. ISAAC HINKLE. Camden, 6th July, 1816. 20-3

NOTICE.

FOR Sale, Two LOTS, one situate on the corner of Broad & Rutledge streets the other adjoining it fronting on Rutledge street having on them a good two story dwelling house, calculated for a store, a kitchen, smoke house, stable and carriage house, and all other necessary buildings for a family and a store.—For terms and further particulars apply to the subscriber. ELISHA BELL. Camden, Aug. 13, 1816. 20d

NOTICE

ALL persons are hereby cautioned against harbouring, or in any manner whatever employing any of the Negroes belonging to the estate of ISAAC DUBOSE, without a written permission for this purpose, from some one of the heirs. August 8, 1816. 19-2

MILL SAWS.

THE Subscriber has a few Philadelphia made MILL SAWS, for sale on good terms. HENRY ABBOTT. Camden, August 8, 1816. 20d

LEE & DeLEON

HAVE on hand a general assortment of seasonable and Fashionable Goods. Also, a good supply of GROCERIES, which they will sell low for cash or produce. Camden, May 9, 1816.

Notice.

COTTON in the seed will be received and expeditiously picked and packed, on usual toll, at my Cotton Factory in Camden. J. LYON. Aug. 15, 1816. N. B. I wish to hire two first rate packers for 3 or 6 months.

NOTICE.

ALL persons having claims against the estate of WM. ARCHER, Esq. deceased, are requested to present them to the subscriber, attested according to law; and all those indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment. JAMES ARCHER, Administrator. Kershaw District, Aug. 15. 20-1

Patent Medicines.

For Sale at the Store of ALEXANDER YOUNG, Broad-street, Camden. Dr. Drott's Stomachic Blisters of Health, Vegetable Nervous cordial, Gout & Rheumatic drops, Patent Stomachic Wine Bitters, Worm Destroying Lozenges, Anti-Bilious Pills, Patent Ich Ointment, Infalible Tooth Ache Drops, Circassian Eye Water, Restorative Dentifrice.

Bateman's Drops, Godfrey's Cordial, British Oil, Turlington's Balsam of Life, Stear's Opodeldoc, Essence of Peppermint, &c. Elixir of Paregoric, Laudanum, Spirits of Lavender, Spirits of Harp, Iron Spirits of Nitre, Calomel Jalap, Rhubarb Ipecacuanha, Tartar Emetic, Peruvian Bark, &c.

STATE OF SOUTH-CAROLINA. BUCKNER FLOYD, Declaration vs. GROSS FLOYD, Attachment.

WHEREAS the Plaintiff in this action did on the 20th March 1815, file his declaration in the office of the Clerk of this Honorable Court, against the defendant, who is absent from and without the limits of this state, and hath neither wife nor attorney known within the same, upon whom a copy of the said declaration, with a rule to plead thereto within a year and a day might be served: It is therefore ordered, in pursuance of the Act of the General Assembly in that case made and provided, that the said defendant do appear and plead to the said declaration, on or before the 19th March 1817, otherwise final and absolute judgment will be given and awarded against him.

Jno. K. M'iver, Clerk. Office of Common Pleas, Darling-ton District, March 18, 1816. J. S. d. f.

In the Common Pleas.

ROYAL BULLARD, Endorsee, vs. ALEXANDER SPEARS, Case in attachment.

WHEREAS the Plaintiff, in this action, did on the 13th day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, file his declaration in the Office of this Honorable Court, against the Defendant, who is absent from, and without the limits of this State, and hath neither wife nor attorney known within the same, upon whom a copy of the said declaration, with a rule to plead thereto, within a year and a day, might be served.

It is therefore ordered in pursuance of the act of the General Assembly in that case, made and provided, that the Defendant do appear and plead to the said declaration, on or before the sixteenth day of April; which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventeen; otherwise, final and absolute judgment will be given, and awarded against him.

Office of Common Pleas, Thomas Salmon, c. c. K. D. Kershaw District, April 13, 1816.

Blank Deeds,

For sale at the Camden Gazette Office.