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MEDICIENS.

BOTANIC STORE AND INFIRMARY.—The subscriber grateful for the liberal patronage extended him in the above business, during the last year, would now inform his customers, that he is this day receiving by the Steamer THOMAS SALMOND, a large supply of Medicines, which will be sold on accommodating terms.

Cabinet Manufactory.

THE subscribers respectfully inform the citizens of Camden, and the surrounding country generally, that they have opened a cabinet establishment immediately in front of the Post Office, where they will be happy to fill any orders which may be sent to them.

The Catawba Springs

THE Proprietor of this establishment gives notice that he is repairing and fitting it up at considerable expense, and in a superior style, and will have it ready for the reception of company by the 20th of May.

SOUTH CAROLINA, SUMTER DISTRICT.

Summons in Partition. Jefferson Logan, vs. Ransom Logan, and others. Appearing to my satisfaction, that David Logan and Cynthia his wife, John Logan and Susan his wife, Eligha Logan and Eliza his wife, and Ransom Logan, resides without this State.

NOTICE. The notes and accounts of W. B. Daniels, have been placed in my hands for collection, some length of time. I am disposed to keep them no longer; persons indebted, are requested to come forward immediately and settle, otherwise they shall be put to cost.

DIVISION ORDERS.

HEAD QUARTERS, Winesborough, April 20, 1838. JOHN SMART, Esq. having been duly appointed Aid-de-Camp to Maj. Gen. John Buchanan, with the rank of Major, he will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

Dr. Wm. Reynolds DESIRES to inform his friends and the public, that after an absence of twelve months in Europe, he has returned to Camden and again resumed the practice of Medicine. Office as heretofore, corner of Broad and York streets.

SHERIFF'S ELECTION. WHEREAS, William Rosser, Esq. the present sheriff, has tendered his resignation to His Excellency the Governor, to take effect as soon as a successor is qualified to enter upon the duties of his office.

LIST of Letters remaining in the Post Office Camden, April 1st, 1838. A—John E. Alexander B—Thomas Bradley, William Baskins, James F. Broadfoot, George F. Bartlett, S. H. Boykin, Kizzy Blair.

SHERRIFF'S SALE. BY virtue of sundry executions to me directed, I will sell before the Court House in Camden, on the first Monday in May next, and the day following, within the usual hours of sale, the following property, viz:

Dr. John Spappington's Anti-Fever Pills.—A certain and effectually cure for Ague and Fever, Bilious and other Fevers. To be had at B. W. WARREN'S Drug Store, One door above Shannon, M'Gee & Co. April 28 52 tf

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WE are authorized to announce BENJAMIN GASS as a candidate for SHERIFF, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Wm. Rosser. April 11 50

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JAMES S. STEWART is a candidate for Sheriff of Kerhaw. April 14 50

Sulkey for sale A NEAT Sulkey and Harness for sale cheap by April 28 52 3t H. LEVY.

SHINGLES WANTED.—Wanted, 100,000 first rate heart pine shingles to be delivered at the Camden Bridge, on or before the first day of July next, for which cash will be paid on delivery. CHARLES VANDEBORD April 7 49 tf

Clock and Watch Maker THE subscriber respectfully informs the citizens of Camden, and its neighborhood, that he has located himself in this place, 3 doors above the Camden Bank, where he will attend to all business in his line. J. B. KLINGLE. April 7 49 tf

THE Bank of Camden South Carolina. The annual meeting of the stockholders of this Bank will convene at the Banking House in Camden, on the first Monday in May next, when an election of seven Directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held.

CAMDEN BRIDGE COMPANY. The Directors of this Company have ordered the payment of the second and third instalments on the Stock of said Company. The second being \$20 per share, payable on or before the 20th April instant, and the third, being \$20 per share, payable on or before the 20th May next. These will be received at the Bank of Camden South Carolina. April 14 50 4t J. C. WEST, Treas'r.

BY AUTHORITY.



LAWS OF THE U. STATES, PASSED AT THE FIRST SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

Public.—No. 18. AN ACT to amend the act for quieting possessions, enrolling conveyances, and securing the estates of purchasers, within the District of Columbia, passed the thirty-first day of May, eighteen hundred and thirty-two.

And such certificate shall be offered to record to the clerk of the circuit court in the District of Columbia, in that county in which such deed ought to be recorded. It shall be the duty of such clerk to record the same accordingly; and when the privy examination, acknowledgement, and declaration of a married woman, shall have been so taken and certified, and delivered to the clerk to be recorded pursuant to the directions of this act, such deed shall be as effectual in law to pass her right, title, and interest, as if she had been an unmarried woman.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That every conveyance, covenant, agreement and other deed, (except deed of trust and mortgages) which shall be acknowledged or proved, and certified, according to law and delivered to the clerk of the proper court, to be recorded within six months after the sealing and delivery thereof, shall take effect and be valid as to all persons from the time of such acknowledgment or proof; but all deeds of trust and mortgages, whenever they shall be delivered to the clerk of the proper court to be recorded, and all other conveyances, covenants, agreements, and deeds, which shall not be acknowledged, proved, or certified, and delivered to the clerk of the proper court to be recorded, shall be void, as to all subsequent purchasers for valuable consideration, without notice, and as to all creditors, from the time when such deed of trust or mortgage or such other conveyance, covenant, agreement, or deed, shall have been so acknowledged, proved, or certified, and delivered to the clerk of the proper court to be recorded, and from that time only: Provided, however, That of two or more deeds containing the same property, after having been acknowledged, proved, and certified, and delivered to the clerk to be recorded on the same day, that which shall have been first sealed and delivered shall have preference in law.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That every title bond, or other written contract in relation to land, may be proved, acknowledged, certified, and recorded, in the same manner as deeds for the conveyance of land; and such proof or acknowledgement, and certificate, and the delivery of such bond or contract to the clerk of the proper court, to be recorded, shall be taken and held to be notice of all subsequent purchasers of the existence of such bond or contract.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That, if any feme covert shall be a party executing such deed, and shall only be relinquishing her right of dower in such estate or interest, or when a husband and wife shall have sealed and delivered a writing purporting to be a conveyance of any estate or interest, and such feme covert shall appear before any two justices of the peace of any State or Territory of the United States, or of the District of Columbia, and, being by them examined privily and apart from her husband, and having the deed fully explained to her, shall acknowledge the same to be her act and deed, and shall declare that she had willingly signed, sealed, and delivered the same, and that she wished not to retract it; and such privy examination, acknowledgement, and declaration, shall be certified by such justices under their hand, and seals, by a certificate annexed to such writing, and to the following effect; that is to say:

county [or corporation, &c.] to wit: We, A B and C D, justices of the peace in the county [or corporation, &c.] aforesaid, in the State [or Territory, &c.] of _____, do hereby certify that E F the wife of G H, party to a certain deed bearing date on the _____ day of _____ and hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in our county [or corporation, &c.] aforesaid, the said E F, being well known to us as [or proved by the oaths of credible witnesses before us to be] the person who executed the said deed, and being by us examined, privily and apart from her husband, and having the deed before said fully explained to her, she, the said E F, acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed, sealed, and delivered the same, and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this _____ day of _____.

And such certificate shall be offered to record to the clerk of the circuit court in the District of Columbia, in that county in which such deed ought to be recorded. It shall be the duty of such clerk to record the same accordingly; and when the privy examination, acknowledgement, and declaration of a married woman, shall have been so taken and certified, and delivered to the clerk to be recorded pursuant to the directions of this act, such deed shall be as effectual in law to pass her right, title, and interest, as if she had been an unmarried woman: Provided, however, That no covenant or warranty contained in such deed hereafter executed shall in any manner operate upon any feme covert, or her heirs, further than to convey effectually from such feme covert and her heirs, her right of dower or other interest in real estate which she may have at the date of such deed.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That all deeds heretofore recorded within the District of Columbia, and in the counties wherein any lands, tenements and hereditaments are situated, which are conveyed in or by said deeds, in an acknowledgment before any two justices of the peace for said District, shall be good and effectual for the purpose or purposes therein mentioned, and valid as to all subsequent purchasers, and all creditors, from the passage of this act, Provided, said deeds were made in good faith, and without an interest to commit a fraud upon creditors or bona fide subsequent purchasers.

JAMES K. POLK, Speaker of the House of Representatives. RIL. M. JOHNSON, Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate. APPROVED, April 20th, 1838. M. VAN BUREN.

Public.—No. 10. AN ACT for the benefit of the Levy Court of Calvert county, in the State of Maryland.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and required to pay, to any one duly authorized by the levy court of Calvert county, in the state of Maryland, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of three thousand dollars, in full satisfaction for the destruction of the court-house of said county by the enemy during the late war with Great Britain, while the same was in the military occupancy of the United States, and in consequence thereof destroyed by fire.

Public.—No. 20. AN ACT making an appropriation for the removal of the great raft of Red river. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the sum of seventy thousand dollars be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the complete removal of the great raft in Red river, in the States of Louisiana and Arkansas.

A COUPLE OF LOVE LETTERS. "Come," said my friend, as we rose from a Virginia breakfast, the merits of which were better discussed by my dentals than they can be by my pen, "come let us adjourn to the library. The ladies always like to have every body out of the way when they are clearing off the table, so that the contrast may be more striking, when one returns and finds every thing in order."

"Capital!" cried Miss Bella. "What a fine excuse to be rid of our company!" The latter part of the speech we only conjectured, for ere it was completed we had crossed the door behind us, and in a moment more, were enjoying a comfortable corner, beside a fine fire in the old library room. It was merry Christmas, and beside us stood a long table covered with various presents which the owner of the mansion was accustomed, on such occasions, to distribute among his servants, who soon came dropping in to receive them. At length, there remained but one bundle, when a matronly, sedate negress opened the door, and dropping a low courtesy, wished the gentleman a very merry Christmas. A returned her salutation, and my friend, Charles L., handing her the packet, she gravely received it, and in the same dignified manner left the room. There was a something so striking about her, that she had scarcely shut the door, when I remarked to him on her intelligent and matronly appearance.

As I spoke, he suddenly dropped his chin on his breast, seemed lost in thought for a moment, when his features relaxed into a smile, and he vented his feelings by a low chuckle. "Old aunt Dinah!" responded he to my look of inquiry. "She has never forgotten a trick I once played her, when she was much younger than she is now, and myself just beginning to raise a pair of whiskers."

"I had returned from college but the day before, and was sitting just here, by this very table, when one of the servants tapped lightly at the door, and asked permission to come in. It was Charles, my nonsake. He always had been particularly attached to me. We were christened on the same day, and shortly after, his mother died, leaving him a month old. There happened to be no nurse on the plantation at the time, and so my mother took him into the house and raised him along with myself. The poor little fellow used to amuse us very much, by calling her "mammy," until he was taught differently, but his devotion to herself and her family has never subsided, and, to this day, her grave is to him the holiest spot of all the earth. "Supposing he had come in to receive my orders in relation to the next day's hunt, I proceeded to inquire concerning the abundance of the game, and so forth; at this, from his unconnected answers, was very evidently not his business. I therefore said to him, "Well, Charles, what do you want to see me about?" "I dont want nothin," replied he. "Who does, then?" said I. "The poor fellow screwed his mouth into all possible contortions; grinned, and uttered some broken sentences, from which I gathered that aunt Dinah had received a letter from somebody or other, and wished me to read it for her. "Very good," said I, "send her up." "Charles disappeared, apparently glad to complete his commission, and presently aunt Dinah availed herself of my leave, by making her appearance. "She had the letter in her hand, and gave me to infer that it was nothing particular. She would have burned it, only she felt a little curious to know what the