

WAS THE LAST SLAVER.

Voyage of the Wanderer for Cargo of Negroes a Disastrous Venture.

The Wanderer, in 1859, was the vessel that landed the last cargo of African slaves in the United States. This ship was built in New York, in 1859 by Joseph G. Bayless for J. T. Johnson, a member of the New York Yacht Club. Shortly after the Wanderer was launched from the ways of Bayless's shipyard Johnson sold it to a Captain Corrie, who retained it until the year 1858. It was about this time that Charles A. L. Lamar, of Savannah, Ga., a young man of one of the wealthiest and most aristocratic of southern families decided to make the experiment of bringing a cargo of slaves from the west coast of Africa, landing them at some point on the southern coast of the United States.

This adventurous and daring young man was tempted to undertake this risky enterprise by the enormous profits awaiting those who succeeded in landing negroes in America without attracting the attention of the courts and officers. The importation of slaves had been outlawed in this country for nearly half a century, and such was the vigilance of the British, French and American war vessels in patrolling the west African coast and in running down suspicious craft that few other than the most daring, not to say foolhardy, dared to run the risk of a slave voyage.

Lamar took into his confidence Captain McGee, of Columbia, Ga., Richard Dickerson, of Richmond, Va., and Captain Egbert Marum, a former mail rider and Indian fighter. Proceeding to New York, these men purchased the Wanderer from Corrie, joined the New York Yacht club, spent money lavishly and in such manner as to render themselves extremely popular with the "smart set" of that period. Lamar ordered Fernum to take the Wanderer to Charleston, S. C., telling his friends he intended to set out from that port on a pleasure cruise to China. The same report was industriously circulated at Charleston, where, a few weeks later, Lamar and his friends joined Fernum. In the late spring of 1859 they set sail for ports known only to themselves.

The voyage to the mouth of the Congo river, on the west African coast, occupied about twice the usual period, owing chiefly to the fact that Lamar was obliged to steer clear of a great many vessels he had no desire to meet.

The ship's destination was, however, reached in safety, since it entered the Congo river unobserved by the warships patrolling the coast. The anchor of the Wanderer had barely settled in the river's mud before Lamar and his associates were bargaining with the native chiefs and half-caste Portuguese slave traders for the delivery of a point known as Brazzaville of 500 or more negroes.

The negotiations scarcely were concluded when a curious incident happened, an incident that brought out the wonderful self-possession, resourcefulness and cleverness of Lamar. The meeting with the chiefs and traders had just adjourned and the owners of the Wanderer were stepping from the yawl to the yacht when a British man-of-war appeared in the river, anchoring only a few hundred yards from the slaver. The moment Lamar caught sight of that vessel he ordered the crew of the yawl back to their oars, and with Fernum struck out for the representative of Her Britannic Majesty on the high seas. He mounted the ladder of the man-of-war, and, proceeding straight to the cabin, introduced himself to the officers, conducted himself in a manner so thoroughly agreeable that the officers would not hear of his returning until late that night. To meet an educated gentleman in that wilderness of naked savages and sordid slave hunters they declared was a real treat so rarely enjoyed that they proposed to make the best of it while it lasted. The next day Lamar arranged a dinner in honor of the British officers, a dinner that was given on board the Wanderer. He had completely disarmed their suspicions by stating that, as a gentleman of wealth, he and some friends were making a pleasure cruise to India.

This dinner was a great success—champagne flowed like water and every one except Lamar became drunk. While the revel was at its height Lamar asked one of the guests if he did not think the Wanderer would make a capital slaver, a sally which excited uproarious laughter and applause among Her Britannic Majesty's representatives, who declared that Lamar was a trump. That night the man-of-war sailed away in pursuit of an imaginary slaver that, according to reports that Lamar had previously set in circulation, was down the coast loading negroes.

The rest of the story is soon told. The Wanderer ran up to Brazzaville, took on 400 negroes, set sail for the United States and landed them on the coast of Georgia. Lamar's plan was to scatter the negroes about on a number of plantations until a favorable moment arrived to sell them. He suc-

ceeded in the first part of this program but not in the last. The friends upon whom he depended turned traitors; he was arrested, haled before the Federal courts, and the negroes from whose sale he counted upon reaping a fortune were seized by the United States marshal pending orders from the court. Such, however, was not the case with all the blacks. Over one third of them were appropriated, hidden, sold, etc., by those whom Lamar regarded as friends, and upon whom he relied for the successful execution of his plan.—New York Press.

Ten Things to do This Month.

1. Sow wheat and oats; get the oats in as soon as possible; treat seed of both crops with moratin or bluestone if smutty, and look for cheat and other weed seeds.
2. Keep on sowing cover crops; still time to sow rye, vetch, crimson clover; also rape and winter turnips.
3. Put the turning plows to work, especially on clay soils; if you sub-soil, this is the time for it.
4. Take special care of the land to prevent winter washing; fix up terraces, open out ditches, etc., under-drain where it is needed.
5. Get the corn and corn stover under shelter early; look after all late crops that will make feed.
6. Store the cotton under shelter; keep it picked off as closely as practicable.
7. Get the land ready for planting fruit trees, berries, grapes, etc.; plant winter garden crops.
8. Increase the hog's grain ration; feed the cows liberally enough to keep them from falling with their milk.
9. Put the apples, potatoes and other fruits and vegetables safely away; if you are without a good place to keep them, there is still time to prepare it.
10. Talk with your neighbor about the roads and see if you cannot stay out of the mud this winter; at least arrange things so that the yard and barnyard will not be muddy.—The Progressive Farmer.

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The law firm of Cannon & Blackwell has been dissolved. John M. Cannon now occupies the offices formerly occupied by Cannon & Blackwell, and H. S. Blackwell is now located in the Barksdale Building in the office formerly occupied by Sheriff Jno. D. Owens during rebuilding of Court House. 11-41

NOTICE.

State of South Carolina,
County of Laurens,
Probate Court.

L. F. Abercrombie as Administrator of the estate of A. B. Bolt, Deceased, Plaintiff,
against
Mrs. Lela Jane Bolt, et al, Defendants.

All that piece, parcel or tract of land lying, being and situate in Laurens County, S. C., known as the A. B. Bolt place, containing forty-two (42) acres, more or less, and bounded by lands of A. Abercrombie on the north and west, on the east by lands of W. S. Bolt and on the south by the public road leading from Laurens to Prichard.

Terms of sale: cash. Purchaser to pay for papers. If purchaser fails to comply with his bid, the property to be sold on the same or some subsequent salesday, on the same terms, at the risk of the former purchaser, and without further order of the court.

O. G. THOMPSON,
Probate Judge.

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We are receiving daily Ladies Suits and Coats. Your loss if you don't see them. Value and style in every one, lower in price, higher in quality.

Ladies Suits	\$10.00 to \$45.00
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Blate Cloth	25c
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