

Contentment.
The banks are all a bustin', Nance, an' things
is goin' ter smash;
The people sell fur credit what they ought
ter sell fur cash.
An' winter's bringin' poverty to everybody's
door;
The rich kin stand it pretty well—hit's orful
on the poor.

The workin' man's the sufferer, Nance; he's
got no work to do;
An' folks are goin' to suffer what they suf-
ferin' never knew.
An' them that's always "showin' off" to
poor folks what they've got,
You'll find, perhaps, that they'll turn out
the poorest in the lot.

I've just been thinkin', Nancy Jane, about
the orful mus;
How folks had better live an' raise thare chil-
dren like us;
For, as I told old deacon Smith, he said it
all was true;
He never in his life had seen two folks like
me and you.

Our home's an old log-cabin, Nance, half
hidden in the woods;
Our family's rich in life and health, but
poor in worldly goods;
We hain't no fine lace curtains, or no carpet
on the floor,
But the sun is always smilin' through the
window an' the door.

Our farm is small—we've got a spring, and
horses, hogs and cows;
We've got to milk, and cook, and sew, and
boil to tend the plow;
We've got no gold in banks that bust, nor
owe no man a cent;
I tell you, Nance, the Lord is good, and we
should feel content.

We're plain and honest country folks, and
know no "city airs";
We read the Bible every night before we
kneel in prayers;
We go to church on Sundays, Nance, and
walk just like the rest,
An' live like christian people ought—we try
to do what's best.

Our boys don't do like city boys, who from
thar duty shirk,
Whose parents raise 'em up to think 'tis a
disgrace to work;
Our girls ain't like them city gals who will so
often meet,
Who ought to help their mothers more, an'
run less on the street.

You don't see Thomas Henry pushin' bill-
iards every night,
Or loadin' 'bout the tavern gettin' treated till
he's light;
You don't find him runnin' 'round to catch
some damsel's eye,
Or courtin' some gal that's rich, whose dad-
y's 'bout to die.

Ah! Nance, the time has come at last when
pride must have its fall;
The folks'll find the workin' man the life an'
prop of all;
The farmer's independent, Nance, his trade
will never fail;
So long as he is able with his sons to till the
soil.

The proud, aristocratic folks, who sot in for-
tune's door,
Who thought they'd never come to want,
Are "busted up" an' poor;
Their servants gone, their horses sold, their
houses an' their lands,
An' everything except their lives are in the
Sheriff's hands.

Old woman, put your knittin' up, it's gettin'
purty late,
I'll read 'bout two chapters in the Bible, if
you'll wait;
We'll pray to God before we sleep; as ev-
erybody ought,
An' thank Him, not for what we want, but
what we've had an' got.

Happy Nancy—The True Secret.
There once lived in an old brown cot-
tage, so small that it looked like a chick-
en-coop, a solitary old woman. She tend-
er her little garden, knit and spun for a
living. She was known everywhere,
from village to village, by the cognomen
of "Happy Nancy." She had no money,
no family, no relations; she was half
blind, quite lame, and very crooked.—
There was no comeliness in her; and yet
there, in that homely, deformed body,
the great God, who loves to bring
strength out of weakness, had set His
royal seal.

Let Alabamians Read.
A writer in the Boston Post, for whom
the editor vouches, says that in Charle-
ton the city tax is at the rate of \$26 to
the \$1,000; the State and county tax is
\$17 to \$1,000; and other taxes bring
the average rate of taxation up to \$47
to the \$1,000! Several instances are
given where the tax on real estate ex-
ceeds the rent, while the average tax is
more than one-half. Stores in the best
business streets in Charleston built of
brick and stone, can be purchased for
\$2,500 or \$3,000 each, but were worth
\$15,000 to \$20,000 before the war.—
With these facts staring them in the
face, it is no wonder that the people ap-
peal to Congress. It remains to be seen
what action Congress will take. It
would seem as though the power which
organized this corruption could disperse
it.

Prayer is not the voice of a beggar.
It is not simply the expression of want.
It is the expression, in our best hours,
and in our best moods, of the best
thoughts, the best sentiments, the best
emotions, the best aspirations, the best
of everything. If the soul be a night-
ly estate; if it hath everything of
flower and of fruit in it, we bring
something of everything and the best,
and offer it to God. Prayer is not,
then, simply a desire that we may have
that which in the present we may need.
It is a sense of our alliance
with our heavenly Father. It is an
endeavor to be in such converse with
him as a child is during the hour of
its joy, or of its sorrow, or of its bur-
den, in the presence of its earthly pa-
rent. It is lifting up the soul out of
matter, and out of its poor surround-
ings, into the presence and sympathy
of the Spirit of God, the great love
and lover.—Henry Ward Beecher.

**REESE'S IMPROVED PATENT
Farming Implements!**
WARRANTED
The Best, Cheapest and Most Economical
Ever Offered to the Public.
No. 1. A long, steel-pointed, straight
Scotcher. No. 2. A long, keen, diamond-
pointed Scotcher, with one-half patent land-
side. No. 3. A long, rakish, sub-soil, double-
ended, turning Scotcher, with patent adjust-
able land-side. No. 4. A turning shovel, steel-
pointed, half patent land-side, and self-shar-
pening. No. 5. A one-horse turning Plow;
works equally well on light, clean or stiff
stubble, or prairie land. No. 6. A two-horse
stubble or prairie Plow, same as No. 5, but
larger.
Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, at the same stock.—
Persons wishing any of these celebrated
Plows, together with a great variety of the
best CULTIVATORS, HARROWS, SICKLES,
SEED-BEDS, SWEDES, SCARIFIERS and
SEED-PLANTERS, all adapted for a deeper
and more thorough cultivation, will
please call on my Agents at Vienna or Pick-
ensville, where we intend keeping a full sup-
ply, and will sell at reasonable prices.
EDWIN REESE,
Inventor and General Agent,
Jan 21 1874 2-2m

FOR 1874.
We will say to our friends that we will
hold the Old Stand, No. 87 Market Street,
where they can buy Iron, Nails, Locks,
Hinges, Plows, Harrows, Cotton Planters,
Sweeps, Bulltongues, Chains, Harness,
Hoes, Axes and
ALL KINDS OF TOOLS
as cheap as they can be had any where in
this country—for CASH.
We would respectfully call the attention
of all persons indebted to us to the fact that
WE WANT OUR MONEY. There is no
excuse for not paying us.
If you have no money, send old Iron, Brass,
Copper, Wool, dry or green Hides; Deer,
Coon, Mink, Otter or Beaver Skins.
If you are not indebted to us, we will pay
you cash or goods for the above articles.
We are prepared to do ALL KINDS OF
WORK, such as Repairing Guns, Locks,
Safes and Machinery of all kinds at short
notice. We work for cash.
J. L. MOSS & CO.,
87 Market St., Columbus, Miss.
January 14, 1874. 2m

The Cheapest Paper in the South.
I AM OFFERING
The Selma Dollar Times,
A large Twenty-four Column Political and
Agricultural Newspaper, full of live and in-
teresting reading matter, and the
Rural Carolinian,
the recognized leading Agricultural Monthly
in the South—published at Charleston, South
Carolina—conceded to be the ablest edited
Agricultural Journal in the Union, and to
the practical Southern Planter invaluable
for the small sum of
Two Dollars per Annum.
To Clubs of Ten, I will send the Dollar
Times, Rural Carolinian, to each member
of the Club, with a copy of the New York
Weekly Sun, to the getter up of the club for
\$60.
To Clubs of 20, I will send to each mem-
ber of the Club, the
Selma Dollar Times, Rural Carolinian
and a handsome Chromo, "JEWELS OF
SPRING," 14 by 16 inches, the retail price
of which is \$6.00 for \$40.00.
TO THE LADIES.
I offer a first-class Sewing Machine, of any
make the winner of the Premium may select
for the largest Club sent me, at club rates
above, not less than sixty names.
I offer a handsome Gold Watch and good
time keeper to the Lady who sends me the
second largest list at club rates, not less than
fifty names.
I offer a beautiful China Tea Set, to the
Lady who sends me the third largest club, at
club rates.
I offer a nice Black Alpaca Dress, to the
Lady who sends me the fourth largest club,
at club rates.
Let the Ladies remember that if their clubs
number 20, that each member of it will re-
ceive the Selma Dollar Times, Rural Car-
olinian and the beautiful Chromo, Jewels of
Spring.
To those who only wish a weekly Political
and Agricultural Newspaper, I offer the Sel-
ma Dollar Times: To single subscribers \$1;
to clubs of ten, 75 cents; to clubs of twenty,
50 cents. Address,
SEABORN Y. SAFFOLD,
Proprietor of Selma Times, Selma, Ala.
Feb. 25, 1874.

The West Alabamian,
PUBLISHED AT CARROLLTON, ALA., BY
HENRY & GILBERT.
TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION:
For one year, strictly in advance, \$3 00
For six months, " " " 2 00
For three " " " 1 00

RATES OF ADVERTISING.
One Square, (one inch), first insertion, \$1 50
For each subsequent insertion, 75
Advertisements inserted for less than
three months will, in every in-
stance, be charged at the above rates.
Advertisements for three months, or
longer, will be published at the following
rates: One column 12 months, \$100; One
column 6 months, \$70; One column 3 months,
\$50; Half column 12 months, \$70; Half
column 6 months, \$50; Half column 3 months,
\$30. Quarter column 12 months, \$50; Quar-
ter column 6 months, \$30; Quarter column
3 months, \$20. Charges may be made quar-
terly, without additional cost to advertiser.
Professional or Business cards, not
occupying over two inch space, will be in-
serted one year for \$15; six months \$10; or
three months for \$5.
Advertisements are considered due,
and collectible from the first insertion.
Obituary Notices, Tributes of Res-
pect, etc., charged as advertisements.

The ALABAMIAN was established in 1849,
and has over one thousand subscribers. It
circulates in a rich cotton growing district,
making it a most valuable advertising medi-
um, through which merchants can make
money, through their business. We respectfully
solicit the patronage of those wishing trade
from this section of country.

Court Calendar.
The following is the time fixed by
law for holding the several Courts of Pick-
ens County, viz:
Circuit Court—On the third Monday in
March and third Monday in September.
Hon. L. R. Smith, Judge; J. F. Johnston,
Solicitor; J. F. Langston, Clerk; Wm. L.
Lipsey, Sheriff.
Chancery Court—21st of July and 20th
of November, 1873. Hon. A. W. Dillard,
Chancellor; J. E. Willett, Register.
County Court—Regular Term, second
Monday in each month. Hon. R. R. Bogle,
Judge.
Commissioners Court—Regular Terms,
2nd Monday in February and 2nd Monday in
August, and 1st Monday in April and 1st
Monday in November. Commissioners—R.
E. Tweedie, W. L. Duncan, John Sigman.
TAX ASSESSOR—John C. McCafferty.
TAX COLLECTOR—James Kilpatrick.
COUNTY SURVEYOR—Andrew Henry.
COUNTY CLERK—Thos. G. Williams.

Religious Notice.
Regular services at the Baptist Church on
the 2nd and 4th Sabbath in each month—
at 10 o'clock. Pastor, J. N. BAIN, Sec'y.
There will be preaching in the Pres-
byterian Church in this place on the 3rd
Sabbath in each month.
Divine service in the Methodist Epis-
copal Church at Carrollton on the 1st Sab-
bath in each month. Rev. R. J. Sampler,
Pastor.

Patrons of Husbandry.
SPRING HILL GRANGE No. 2 will hold its
regular meetings at Spring Hill Academy on
the 3rd Saturday in each month at 2 o'clock
P. M. J. N. BAIN, Sec'y.
CARROLLTON GRANGE No. 3 will hold its
regular meetings in Carrollton on Saturday
before the fourth Sunday in each month.
E. S. COCKRELL, Sec'y.
PROVIDENCE GRANGE No. 5 meets at Lib-
erty Academy on Saturday before the 3d
Sunday in each month. D. U. DUNCAN,
Sec'y.
Mt. PLEASANT GRANGE No. 7 meets on
the 3d Saturday in each month.
G. B. BARRETT, Sec'y.

PICKENSVILLE GRANGE No. 8 will hold
its regular meetings on the first and third
Thursdays in each month, at 10 o'clock a. m.,
at Pickensville Female Institute. Prompt
attendance is requested by the Worthy Mas-
ter. GEO. M. MULLEN, Sec'y.
June 18th, 1873.
FAIRFIELD GRANGE No. 174 holds its reg-
ular meetings on the 1st Wednesday in each
month. O. G. JONES, Sec'y.

I. O. O. F. G. T.
CARROLLTON LODGE, No. 93, I. O. O. F. G. T.
meets every FRIDAY NIGHT in the Court-
House, at 7 o'clock P. M.
A. E. HILL, W. C. T.
W. S. PERSINGER, W. S.

S. C. MUNGER,
Wholesale and Retail Manufacturer of
SADDLES,
Bridles, Harness, Whips,
Collars, Hames, Chains, &c.
89.....Market Street,.....89
Columbus, Miss.

IN RETURNING THANKS TO MY
many friends and customers of Pickens
County, for the very liberal
patronage heretofore extended to me, I
would respectfully solicit a continuance of
the same for the future. I would call atten-
tion of the community at large to
My Full and Complete Stock
of Saddlery and Harness,
which for durability and neatness of finish
cannot be surpassed.
LEATHER—Oak-tanned Harness, Bridle,
Saddlery, Sole and Upper Leather. Also,
Hemlock Sole. A full supply of plantation
goods always on hand, such as Wagon
and Plow Harness, Blind Bridles, Back-Bands,
&c. I manufacture a Back-Band that you
will find superior to anything in the market.
To my merchant friends who want Saddles,
Bridles, &c., I would say that I am deter-
mined to sell you goods as cheap as you can
buy them in St. Louis, Louisville, or Cin-
cinnati. I would ask you to call in and ex-
amine my goods and prices before purchas-
ing elsewhere.
Hoping my strict attention to business,
and fair dealing with all, to merit a con-
tinuance of patronage heretofore received.
S. C. MUNGER.
Columbus, Miss., June 14, 1873—1y

Cotton Storage.
FROM and after this date we will store cot-
ton at 25 cents per bale per month, 10
cents for marking; no charge for weighing
or sampling. Other charges as heretofore.
B. S. LONG & SON,
December 10th, 1873.—2m

Professional Cards.
D. C. HODO,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
CARROLLTON, ALABAMA.
April 22, '71.....17-1y

M. L. STANSEL,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
Carrollton, Pickens County, Ala.
February 1, 1870. 5-1f

L. M. STONE,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
AND
SOLICITOR IN CHANCERY,
CARROLLTON, ALA.
Will practice in all the Courts of the
7th Judicial Circuit.
April 11th, 1866.....15-1y

D. S. F. & S. H. HILL,
CARROLLTON, ALA.
September 7, 1870. 6-1f

DR. W. W. WESTMORELAND,
WILL CONTINUE THE PRACTICE OF
DENTISTRY
in Pickens county. Persons
can have his services by ad-
dressing him at Carrollton, Ala., or
Columbus, Mississippi. He will
also be in Carrollton during the terms of
the Circuit Court, and at such other times
as his services are needed. He feels thankful
for the liberal patronage heretofore extend-
ed, and hopes to merit a continuance.
May 25, 1870—1y

ATWATER & CO.,
(Established in 1858),
Corner Washington and St. Genevieve Sts.,
Columbus, Miss.
Manufacturers and Dealers in



CARRIAGES and HACKS,
TOP AND NO-TOP BUGGIES,
Barouches, Phaetons,
Spring and Road Wagons.
ALSO,
Carriage and Wagon-Makers Material
of all kinds.

WE again call the attention of the citizens
of Pickens and adjoining counties to our
stock of VEHICLES, and will be pleas-
ed to see any of them when they come to
Columbus. We propose to give better and
cheaper work than any first class house in
Mississippi, while our profits will be used
in building up home manufactures. Our
home made and western wagons took the
premium over all others at the late Fair.—
Come and see us if you want good and faith-
ful work for your money!
ATWATER & CO.,
Columbus, Miss.
October 22, 1873. 45-1y

D. A. WALKER,
NOTARY PUBLIC
AND
Ex-Officio Justice of the Peace,
PICKENSVILLE, ALABAMA.

Eclipse Livery Stable,
No. 100 Main Street,
COLUMBUS, MISS.
THE undersigned having
purchased the entire
stock of the Eclipse Stable
is now prepared to accom-
modate all who may call on him. The Stable
Stalls and lots are in splendid order,
and will be kept clean and neat.
Special preparations made for Drivers.
Also, Carriages, Buggies, Hacks, Wagons
and Saddle-Horses are kept constantly on
hand. Patronage solicited.
R. A. COOK,
Proprietor.

GILMER HOTEL,
Columbus, Miss.
A. M. King, Proprietor.

Mr. W. B. BRYAN is in charge of
the office in this establishment, where he will
be pleased to meet his Alabama friends.
Columbus, Miss., Sept. 10th, 1873.—6m

University of Columbus.
T. C. Belscher, A. M., Pres't.
THE Fall Session begins the first Monday
in October and closes February 15th.—
The Spring Session begins February 15th
and closes the last Thursday in June.
Since obtaining a charter from the Legis-
lature converting the High School into the
University of Columbus, the prospects of
the institution have greatly improved.
Diplomas and Degrees will be conferred
upon those successfully completing the
course of study.
Expense as low as at any other institution
in the South. Send for catalogue.
Columbus, Miss.
August 27, 1873. 85-3m

Foster & Gardner,
COTTON FACTORS,
44.....North Commerce St.....44
MOBILE, ALA.
BAGGING and ROPE supplied at lowest
wholesale rate on application at our of-
fice in Mobile.
All Cotton consigned to us on classed
steamboats is insured if not otherwise or-
dered. Indorsing a Bill Lading "not in-
sured" does not cancel the policy. Patrons
not desiring insurance will please to instruct
before shipping.

Job Work
Neatly executed at this Office.

HERE YOU GO!—OFF TO VIENNA

CROOKS & CO.,
Vienna, Ala.,
TO BUY YOUR GROCERIES.

Bacon, Lard, Molasses,
SUGAR AND COFFEE.
Rice, Brandies, Wines, Whiskies,
SALT, MACKEREL, CHEESE, &c.,
Have just received a large supply of
GROCERIES,
which they are selling at low figures.
Crooks & Co.,
Will buy your Cotton and
pay the highest market
price for it.

We also carry on the Warehouse Business
at the old stand of W. B. Peebles, where the
strictest attention is paid to the storing and
shipping of cotton and merchandise.
Vienna, Ala., January 7th, 1874.

GEO. F. JENNINGS,
Watchmaker.
AND DEALER IN
WATCHES, CLOCKS AND JEWELRY,
Common and Diamond Glass Spectacles,
POCKET and TABLE CUTLERY,
Gun Tackle, Pistol Cartridges, Waterproof
and GD Caps, and in fact everything usually
found in a first-class Jewelry Store.
Watches, Clocks and Jewelry repaired
on short notice, and warranted to be done
in the best workmanlike style.
November 13, 1872. 40-1f

J. N. GASTON,
(Next Door to S. C. Munger's Saddle Shop.)
Columbus, Mississippi,
DEALERS IN
First Class Furniture
of every description, at cheap prices.
Also, keeps constantly on hand
Metallic Burial Cases—All Sizes.
THANKFUL for the former patronage
from Pickens county, would respectfully
ask its continuance. I promise to give all
customers good bargains. Call and see
me, and let's talk it over.
10-1y

WAREHOUSING,
Dry-Goods and Grocery
Business Continued.
We have good Houses, with brick
chimneys, for campers—room to accommo-
date all that come.
Will have stable-room to accommodate a
good number of horses.
We will keep a large stock of
Dry-Goods and
Family Groceries,
to which we invite the attention of close
buyers. Will also keep
Money on hand to buy ALL the Cotton
offered us.
All persons indebted to us will please
pay us with Money, Cotton, Corn, old Mules,
Chickens, or anything we can eat, wear or
use.
H. CONNERLY & CO.,
Vienna, November 12, 1873. 40-1f

CHAS. HOPKINS & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
MOBILE, ALA.
Customers supplied with Bagging and Ties.
Orders directed to the House, Mobile, or to
J. T. STINSON, Columbus, Miss.,
WILL BE PROMPTLY FILLED.

"Look to Your Interest."
P. KREEKER,
MANUFACTURER OF
Tin, Copper and Sheet-Iron Ware,
AND DEALER IN
Cooking and Heating Stoves,
PLAIN and JAPANESE TIN WARE,
Hollow-Ware and House-Furnishing
Goods, Coal-Oil, Lamps, &c.
84.....Market Street, Columbus Miss.....84
Prices Low as the Lowest.
Satisfaction guaranteed in all work,
such as Roasting, Gutting, &c. Give me
a call and examine for yourselves and see
that I am selling as cheap as anybody.
Columbus, Miss., April 16, 1873.—6m

Leroy Brewer, } 1874 } (Hugh L. Hopper
Thos. Duggan, } C. A. Harris.
L. BREWER & CO.,
DEALERS IN
Northern and Western Goods,
Reclifiers and Dealers in
Domestic and Imported Wines and
LIQUORS.
ALSO
COTTON FACTORS,
AND
General Commission Merchants
Corner Commerce and St. Louis Sts.
Mobile, Ala.

AGENTS of the Orange Powder
Works, Home Blenders, French Cognac
Bitters, Gold Seal Champagne, Jan'y

DR. S. H. HILL'S
DRUG STORE,
CARROLLTON, ALA.
DEALER IN
DRUGS, MEDICINES,
Chemicals, Varnish, Glass, Oils, Etc.
Stuffs, Brushes, Perfumery,
Fancy Articles, &c.
Prescriptions Compounded with Care and Dispatch.
January 1, 1873. 1-1y

WOOL CARDING
AT
PLEASANT RIDGE, ALA.
THE undersigned has been known to his
friends and the public generally, that his
WOOL FACTORY is now in better order
than ever before. He has a New Set of
Cards, which he has just added to his ma-
chinery, and is now prepared to do Good
Work at very short notice.
Carding is done at all seasons of the year.
He keeps on hand a supply of Tur and Wool
Hats and Saddles Blankets manufactured at
his factory, which he will exchange for
Wool, Fur, Skins and country produce, at
his factory.
Terms for Carding, liberal.
L. D. SANDERS.

Hats and Blankets.
A supply of Hats and Blankets may be
found at the Store of Gardner & Robertson,
Carrollton, Ala.
September 17th, 1873. 1y

**Carriages, Buggies and
HACKS.**
THE undersigned would respectfully inform
the citizens of Pickens and surrounding
counties, that in addition to his large stock of
Saddles, Harness and Wagons,
he is now receiving a large and select stock of
Carriages, Buggies and Hacks,
from some of the best makers in the North,
East and West. Give me a call before pur-
chasing. You will find it to your interest to
do so.
P. GALVIN,
85 Market Street.
Columbus, Miss., July 22d, 1873—1y

HARRIS & HUDSON,
DEALERS IN
BOOTS & SHOES,
Hats, Caps, &c.
57 Market Street, Columbus, Miss.
Gid. D. Harris. Jno. B. Hudson.

STAPLE AND FANCY DRY GOODS, BOOTS, SHOES, NOTIONS, &c., &c.
DEALER IN
H. B. LAFFAM,
CARROLLTON, ALA.
The undersigned is now receiving a large and well assorted stock of Staple
and Fancy Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots, Shoes, &c., to which he respectfully
invites the attention of the public. Be sure and call and examine my Goods.
Carrollton, Ala., September 24th, 1873.

HARRISON & Foster,
General Commission Merchants and
DEALERS IN
WESTERN PRODUCE,
Bagging, Rope, Twine and Iron Ties,
No. 9 North Commerce Street, Corner of
Exchange Alley.
Mobile, Alabama.
Mobile, Ala., Dec. 24th, 1873. 3m

J. POLLOCK & CO.,
WHOLESALE DEALERS IN
Staple and Fancy Dry Goods,
Notions, Hosiery and Hats,
No. 6, South Water Street, between Da-
phine and Conti Streets.
Mobile, Alabama.
Mobile, Ala., December 21th, 1873.—6m

New Jewelry.
Geo. F. Jennings has received a lot of
new Jewelry. Call and examine it.
Carrollton, Ala., Oct. 1, 1873. 40-1f