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Horticultural & Trade Program



The above photo is a wood-fired colonial brick made about 3-years ago that is being held up in front of an 18th century brick wall. During the colonial and early federal period Camden was known for their clay and high-quality bricks. In fact, by the end of the 1800's the Camden Pressed Brick Company was producing over 600,000 bricks a month.



WANTED a person to carry on the Brickmaking business at Camden. Any person with a few hands, may be assured of constant demand for his Bricks, and be accommodated with a piece of ground proper for the purpose, on easy terms.

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Starting in the spring of 2020 visitors to the colonial brickyard at Historic Camden will learn about and participate in the making of colonial bricks that would have been used by Joseph Kershaw and others in the building of their homes and mills. In the fall of 2020 we will be burning our first run of colonial wood-fired bricks. The above right photo is the firing tunnel of a wood-fired brick kiln.



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