

HIGHLAND MESSENGER.

ADAMS VINEYARD, N. C.
THURSDAY, JULY 1, 1847.
For President in S.C.,
MAJOR GENERAL,
ZACHARY TAYLOR,
OF LOUISIANA.

OUR MALE ACADEMY.

Thanks to the liberality of our citizens and the energy of the contractor, the Columbia, S.C., the Male Academy building is nearly completed, and it is thought will be ready by the first day of August next. The Trustees design having a competent Teacher employed as soon as the house is finished.

We can properly appreciate the advantages presented to parents and guardians by an excellent male school at this point. Asheville is undoubtedly one of the most healthy, agreeable and moral villages in the south western country. Board can be had in respectable families for five or six dollars a month. Those who have youth, of either sex, under their charge would do well to look into the advantages presented by this place. Our Female Academy is in a flourishing condition, and under the management of its able head, Rev. Erasmus Rowley, is giving satisfaction to its numerous patrons.

We really feel that we are conferring a favor on the public, in calling attention to the advantages to be enjoyed at this place in securing an education. Due notice will be given of the opening of the school at the male academy.

STILL THEY COME!

Two members of one of the Edgecombe companies passed through this place last week, on their way home, having been discharged in Mexico on account of sickness. They left home zealous defenders of Polk and all his blunders, but their eyes have been opened, and they now denounce the President without stint or measure, for his wicked management of our Mexican affairs. Nine-tenths of the volunteers who went to Mexico as Democrats, who have returned at all, have come back Taylor men, good and true. They have seen for themselves, and are satisfied that all which the Whig papers have charged upon the President is not a "Federal lie." The cry is and will be "still they come!" until there will be none left to come but a little squad of office-holders and office-hunters.

LETTER FROM JUDGE O'NEAL.

We take pleasure in laying before our readers the following interesting letter from Judge O'Neal, President of the Columbia and Greenville Rail Road Company. May we not be excused for again appealing to the people of Western North Carolina to come forward and help, like good men and patriots, in the construction of this important work? Let us tell you, dear readers, what you may not all be apprised of. The Directors of the Hiwassee Rail Road have determined that that Road shall be completed, and speedily, too. Now when you remember that this Hiwassee Road connects with the Georgia Road at Chattanooga, and extends from that point to Knoxville, can you see no incentive for improving the route from East Tennessee to the South? Dine away a few years more, permit the stock, the produce and the travel of Kentucky and East Tennessee to find a better conveyance to the South by way of the Hiwassee Road—permit the Southern people to find a more easy mode of reaching a healthy summer resort than they now have, and you will wake up to find your country ruined by the depreciation of real estate and the products of the soil. But we are persuaded that our citizens will not suffer the advantages which nature has so lavishly showered on them, and which have already been so much improved, to remain profitless, and stand as monuments of the folly and infidelity of their possessors. We have the finest climate in the world, with mountains unsurpassed on the globe; large, cheap and abundant, and nothing is wanting to make our country a general resort for those who inhabit the lower country, but comfortable and rapid modes of conveyance. This desideratum the Columbia and Greenville Road will furnish.

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NOTICE OF THE MEETING.

AT 10 A.M. WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 1847.

At the 2d meeting of the Edgecombe Volunteers, passed December last, it is provided as follows: "That any portion of the Road from Columbia to Greenville, which may be constructed by the Greenville and Columbia Rail Road Company, shall be pledged for the completion of the whole road; and the said Company shall be required if necessary to mortgage the said Rail Road to enable the said company funds to finish the same and put it in operation."

This provision, I think, never can be repudiated without a dissolution of the Company, for Greenville is a large Stockholder, and without her consent as well as all the other Stockholders, this provision could not be changed. There is no doubt, in good faith, the road will be completed as soon as possible to Greenville. The work will be pressed with unceasing zeal by working men in all the departments of the Company. We hope the surveys will be completed by November. At the approaching session, we trust ourselves that the Legislature will take about \$400,000 of our Stock. That sum, with our present subscriptions, above \$400,000, when added to we hope it will be with about \$200,000 more of additional stock to be obtained in August at the re-opening of the Books, will, we think, enable us to build and put it in operation the Road. When the Road reaches Greenville, I trust it will, if a corresponding spirit be manifested beyond the mountains be carried to the South Carolina line, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Kentucky by separate companies, which might be chartered immediately and act simultaneously with us, might carry the road through to Cincinnati, and thus realize the scheme of the Louisville Cincinnati and Charleston Rail Road. This great work might thus in a short time, and on principles of strict economy, be completed and the communication between the west and the south be perfected, and an iron bond of union be riveted in fact, and by interest never to be broken.

I think conditional subscriptions are incompatible with our charter, and cannot be received. Your deposits may be made in the Bank of Cape Fear, at Asheville. I regret I cannot be with you at Asheville as soon as the 1st Monday in August—will be there some time in the course of that month, and shall be happy to see and address your people. I will advise you when I can be there. I send copies of the original and amended charters, and you can publish them and this letter if you think it advisable.

Most respectfully yours,

JOHN BELTON O'NEALL,
Pres. of the G. & C. R. R. C.

The "Southern Whig," published at Athens, Ga., by Messrs. Christy & Lumpkin, has been enlarged and otherwise much improved. The Whig is one of our very best exchanges, and we will rejoice to learn that its enterprising and able conductors have received the encouragement to which they are so richly entitled.

Trophies of War.—One of the Pennsylvania volunteers has returned home with a voucher for his gallantry, in the shape of a beautiful Mexican girl, whom he woed and won, and who is now his wife.

THE N. O. Delta of the 5th ult. says:—A letter was received day before yesterday, by a gentleman in this city, from a highly respectable lady in Alabama, who requested information from him as to whom she should make application in order to be permitted to join our forces in Mexico. She says that she is determined, if possible, to do her part towards sustaining the honor of her country, and, from the tone of her letter, seems willing to enter either an infantry, artillery, or dragoon company.

It is reported in camp that Gen. Lane, of Indiana, has been appointed Brigadier General of the Virginia, North and South Carolina Regiments. I suppose that his Excellency Jimmy Polk don't think much of the democracy of the South, that he was unable to find a man qualified for the appointment; or, perhaps, he is in for a second race, and thinks the South is for him any how and he will look farther to the west.

There are now sixteen of the boys sick in camp, with the Diarrhoea. I am in hopes they will improve as soon as they get accustomed to the water.

Col. Fogg is still with the company, and will remain with us until we reach our destination.

I am well pleased with the country, and think that if it was well watered it would be a perfect paradise.

Yours truly, J. M. I.

AN INFIDEL CONVENTION, numbering about 50 persons, assembled in New York on Sunday the 13th inst. Their object is to devise the best means of attacking Christianity?

Any idea, however disgusting and criminal, will find in New York advocates enough to form a Convention.

THE SPEECHING.

On Tuesday last, Sen. Webb Thompson, of South Carolina, addressed the Company in an able and convincing speech on the subject of the South and Greenville Rail Roads. On the same day, Messrs. Gilpin and Brown addressed the people of considerable length. We took no room in this extended article, so as to give space to the speeches of Mr. Gilpin and Mr. Brown.

Many of the ablest and most influential journals in the country have written nobly and freely in regard to the conduct of General Pillow. They seem induced to allow him to expose a dozen or more errors. Among the number, is the New Orleans Pharmacy, which spent of late

time in command of four regiments. But one of these he captured, and, when he surrendered, which reversed its name, it was precipitately and hasty, continually. An opposing regiment was not in a position to sustain it, and the regiment deserted, breaking a simultaneous attack upon another part of the field never got into action at all. This is no evidence of want of courage in Gen. Pillow. It only shows that he was not a military publicist, and hence his frequent talk concerning the Committee will affect the Office of the Court in Asheville, on Friday and Saturday. These trials may be of considerable importance, and may present specimens of the talents of the speakers. Persons about of teaching will please attend, as it is usually useful moment to which a certain portion of the public con-

cerns.

When it is considered that if Gen. Pillow returns to Mexico, and General Scott should meet with an accident, the command of the army would devolve upon him, do not the facts presented by this reverse become matters of the utmost consequence. Gen. Pillow is now a major general. He ranks Gen. Twiggs, Gen. Worth, General Smith, Col. Harney, Col. Kirby, Colonel Childs, and indeed every officer now with Gen. Scott's column except the command-in-chief. In view of a contingency, not too remote, are not the considerations suggested in this case grave beyond any matter of mere party concern? The lives of thousands of brave men, the glory of the American arms and the success of a vast national effort are involved in the issue.

The Episcopal church of Pennsylvania has contributed \$9000 to the starving poor of Ireland and Scotland.

H. W. Grimes, Private Secretary to His Excellency, Gov. Graham, has received his commission and the appointment has been confirmed by W. W. Morrison, of Lincoln County Register.

A company of gentlemen from North Carolina have purchased a large body of land in Jackson county, Florida, with a view to settle there. The lands sold an average of about \$3 an acre, but some as high as \$10.

WHAT DAY may bring forth Mrs. Margaret Day, of Bucks county, Pa., who lately safely delivered of four children—three girls and a boy.

We should rejoice to see the day, says the Richmond Whig, when all men of all parties would frown down the injurious and corrupting practice of proscription for opinion's sake—practices which fill the public offices with incompetent and dishonest agents, who make politics a trade, and who are ignorant, unlettered, illiterate, & ignorant of the people of both parties, have a direct interest in putting down every honest and upright man who practices it.

Gen. Zachary Taylor.—A correspondent of the N. York "Spiral of the Times" says:

"I saw a long letter of the old General's a few days since, eleven pages long, devoted to humanity, to every-day affairs of life. It was a window to the old hero's soul, into which you could look and read that his impressions of life were pure, brave, and disinterested. It was evidently about composed when he wrote, and said him that Santa Anna was approaching. The letter had been placed secretly in the portfolio—the battle of Buena Vista was fought and then in a postscript, dated the 23d, there was written: 'Santa Anna, with twenty thousand men has given us battle and we have maintained our position.' Is there in history a more sublime record of an unparalleled battle—the more modest allusion to one of the greatest events that will appear in future history?"

"Folk and Air Generals."—The "Violent Whig" says that this new work will shortly appear. The principal "Generals" mentioned are Anthony Lee, S. A. Santa Anna, Thomas Hart Benton, and George Pillow. The Whig predicts for it an enormous run.

Asheville Female Institute.

The Annual Examination of this Institution will be on Wednesday and Thursday, the 16th and 17th of this month. The friends and patrons of the Institution, as well as interested in the advancement of Female Education, are especially invited to attend.

N. B.—The next Session will commence on the 20th of the present month, when the Moral Department will be resumed by a German Professor of Music, distinguished in his profession who will give lessons of the Piano and Violin.

ERASTUS ROWLEY, Principal.

Asheville, July 1, 1847. 338—Sw.

List of Letters.

Remaining in the Post Office at Asheville, N. C., 1st of July, 1847, which it was taken out before the 1st day of October next, will be sent to the General Post Office at Washington.

Broadway, Jr.; Brown Hunter; Hughes, George; Jones, Rev. Samuel C.; Jones, Mrs. Sarah; Lynn, John; Owen, Peter; Paton, J. E.; Palmer, Nathaniel; Penick, Mrs. C. C. Jr.; Porter, Maria; Rogers, T. D.; Rossiter, C.; Summers, Miss Eliza; Standish, Davis; Sturges, National; Thompson, John; Thomas, A.; Ward, Rev. T. S.; Weston, Silas; E. M. C. STATE, P. M.

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Green W. Taylor.

I hereby certify you to come forward and make payment for the lot you contracted for in the Town of Henderson, on or before the 1st day of October next, or the contract will be rescinded and the lot released.

JAS. SPANN, T. P. G.

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LICENSED OIL.

T. C. Lowry has in hand a quantity of Linseed Oil, for sale at 25 per gallon.

Sept. 17.

A barrel full of prime quality Sugar, for sale at 25 per cent.

RANKIN & JULIAN.

WANTED TO BUYERS.

CHAS. W. TURNER, of Columbia, has

been engaged in the interest in Con-

necticut River.

FAX NOTICES.

There will be a sale of lots in the State of Maine, in the County of Franklin, on the 1st day of August, 1847—Persons interested will please call at the office of the Company, or at the office of the

Advertiser, on the 1st day of August, 1847.

THOS. W. ALLEN,

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