

ADMINISTRATION MEETING.

At a meeting of the citizens of Iredell county, favourable to the re-election of JOHN Q. ADAMS to the Presidency of the United States, held at the Court-House in Statesville, on Saturday, the 12th of January, 1828,

James Campbell, Esq. was called to the Chair, and Cyrus Simmonds appointed Secretary.

The object of the meeting having been explained by Maj. M. L. Hill, upon motion, the following gentlemen were appointed a committee to prepare a preamble and resolutions expressive of the object and opinions of the meeting, viz: Richard Allison, Maj. M. L. Hill, Wm. Gibson, Doct. Robert H. Carson, John H. McLaughlin and C. Simmonds; who retired and after a short time returned and reported the following preamble and resolutions, which, after having been read, were unanimously adopted:—

Whereas unprecedented exertions are making to elect to the Chief Magistracy of the Union a man, who, to say the least of him, has nothing to recommend him but his military achievements, and who, we believe, actuated in his untiring solicitude to obtain the office, by that inordinate ambition which has characterized his career through life, more than by any sense of patriotism or a desire to improve the condition of his country; and as his adherents, by seeking to place him in office, evidently desire a change of men and not of measures, and by electing him over the present incumbent, we should evince an unwarranted spirit of caprice, throw odium on the character, and obliterate the remembrance of more than forty years' arduous service of one of our best and valued fellow-citizens; and by taking from the Army the President, we make the first office in the gift of the people the reward of military services, jeopardizing the peace and harmony of this generation, endangering our future prosperity as a free people, and hazarding the very existence of civil liberty by the precedent:—and men, who would otherwise have remained high in the nation's estimation, have volunteered their services to fix an inflexible stain and foul slander on the character of one of the first men of the age, the advocate of South American freedom, the Demosthenes of the West:—and after wantonly exciting suspicion, have affected to believe the most absurd and ridiculous charges; and as it is a moral truth, that he who charges an innocent neighbor, is often then otherwise guilty himself; and time having evinced to us, that the measures of the present administration have exceeded our most sanguine expectations, and that a corrupt portion of the opposition is daily using every means which God and nature have put in their hands to retard the wheels of government, and thereby bring its administration into disrepute, even at the expense of the people's welfare:—and we believe a crisis is at hand, which must radically affect posterity to the latest generation, and all true patriots should be up and watching over the interests of their country, ere it be too late:—We, the citizens of Iredell county, friendly to the present administration, actuated by the purest zeal for the prosperity of our country and the cause of truth and justice, have entered into the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That it is the right of the people to assemble and deliberate, and their inalienable privilege to express, at all times, their opinions of all men and measures.

Resolved, That we have an unlimited confidence in the talents, integrity and patriotism of John Q. Adams, and that we know no man better qualified to administer the multifarious concerns of the government, to ensure its dignity at home, and confidence and respect abroad.

Resolved, That we know no cause, at this time, for changing the rule established during the lifetime of our Father in his Country, or giving the presidency for two successive terms to the same man; and to elevate any individual to the office at this time, in opposition to the present Chief Magistrate, would be an unbecoming and unworthy act, unworthy the unanimity of a free and enlightened people, and by the force of evil example, destructive of some of the brightest prospects of our future glory.

Resolved, That in our opinion, the affairs of the government have never been better administered since the days of Washington, than by our present Chief Magistrate; and that to support his re-election, we pledge ourselves mutually to each other and to our common country.

Resolved, That we conceive the clamor of "corruption," and of "bargain and sale," so loudly proclaimed by Gen. Jackson and a few of his partisans, against Mr. Adams and Mr. Clay, a base calumny, utterly void of any foundation in truth, and the deformed offspring of the distorted imaginations of its fabricators.

Resolved, That our future welfare requires that the Chief Magistrate of our Union should have sustained through life a fair and unimpeachable moral character; should be intimately acquainted with the municipal laws of his country, the laws of nations, and the different forms of their government; that John Q. Adams possesses not only these qualifications in an eminent degree, but adds to them the accomplishments of the scholar and philosopher.

Resolved, That although we cheerfully concede our warmest gratitude to Andrew Jackson, for his meritorious military services, yet there is nothing in his civil qualifications, or in the services rendered his country during peace, which, in our opinion, entitles him to the Pre-

sidency, even if we should not, by electing him, discard a highly meritorious civil officer; but, on the contrary, we fear much danger would result to posterity, if not to the present generation, by selecting a president from the Army.

Resolved, That the overgrown popularity of a chieftain, who has stolen away the hearts of his countrymen by his success in arms alone, is an evidence, in our opinion, of the imminent danger of our country, and that we will use every constitutional exertion in our power, to defeat the machinations of those time-servers and arch-demagogues, who, under the assumed name of patriotism, entrenched behind the pretended cause of the people, seek their own selfish interests in the elevation of Gen. Jackson, rather than his or the people's welfare.

Resolved, That we consider the cause of the present administration identified with the dearest interests of the people, for whose benefit alone all governments were originally instituted; with the cause of truth and justice, which all good men should ever strenuously support, even at the hazard of their "lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor."

Resolved, That we highly approve the proceedings of the Convention held at Raleigh on the 20th of December last, and that we will support the ticket by them formed.

Resolved, That Col. Thomas A. Allison, Wm. King, Esq. Joseph Chambers, Richard Allison, Doct. R. H. Carson, John H. McLaughlin, C. Simmonds, Wm. Gibson, Geo. Howers, Esq. John Young, James H. Hall, Joseph Davidson, Theo. Falls, Washington Byers, Maj. Andrew Allan, Jos. Byers, Dr. Richard B. Inett, Capt. A. Howard, N. W. Alexander, Maj. M. L. Hill, Major Wm. Potts, Jas. Simonton and Wm. S. Johnston, be a Corresponding Committee on the part of this meeting, for promoting the objects thereof.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be signed by the Chairman and Secretary, and forwarded to the editors of the Raleigh Register, Catawba Journal, and Western Carolinian, for publication.

JAMES CAMPBELL, Chairman. C. SIMMONDS, Secretary.

The Virginia Administration Convention assembled at Richmond on the 8th instant. About 200 members answered to their names, and more were on their way. Judge Brooks was unanimously elected President, and John H. Pleasants appointed Secretary of the Convention.

On the 11th, the Electoral Ticket was reported and unanimously adopted. "It is such a one," says the Whig, "as has never been presented to Virginia before; and we are bold to say, is the most powerful ever formed in any State in this Union. It must and will make a great impression on the people of Virginia; and we firmly believe, that from this time forward, the cause of the Administration is destined to advance with rapid pace in Virginia." At the head of the Electoral Ticket, we notice, with much gratification, though not surprise, the names of JAMES MADISON and JAMES MONROE. When such men lend their names and influence to support the Administration, its friends may well be confident; and it shows, too, what they think of the miserable and base calumny of "bargain, corruption," and all the kindred train of charges against the present Administration. Let the friends of the Administration be of good cheer—their cause is brightening and will most assuredly triumph.

The Pennsylvania Administration Convention assembled at Harrisburg on the 4th inst. out of 113 Delegates elected to the Convention, 112 assembled. The Convention presented a most imposing front—it combined talents, age and experience. Mr. Adams was nominated for the Presidency, and Mr. Rush for the Vice-Presidency. A powerful Ticket has been formed: "The names selected are submitted," says the Address of the Convention to the people, "in the confident hope and firm belief that they will secure a majority of the votes of the people of Pennsylvania. The names on the Ticket are those of men generally known to you as of sound principles, as faithful public agents, and as worthy members of society. We invite you to compare their characters and their public services with those of any other ticket which may be presented for your suffrages. Name by name, we fear no competition; as to public and private worth, we shrink from no comparison. To such men your suffrages may be safely entrusted. They have most of them had good opportunities to ascertain who are the ablest statesmen, the most equitable and the most experienced; whose principles are the soundest, whose policy is the best. They all, as with one voice, unite in favor of JOHN Q. ADAMS."

Accounts from various quarters, and from the most respectable and intelligent sources, are of the most cheering character, and give the most confident assurances that the vote of Pennsylvania will contribute to the re-election of Mr. Adams. In Pittsburg, Pa. at an election for city officers, on the 1st instant, the "Administration Ticket" was elected over the "Jackson Ticket" by a decided majority. In 1824, Mr. Adams received but slight votes in Pittsburg.

Interesting Point.—We have commenced the publication of Mr. Usan's report to the Legislature, on the subject of Cotton and Woollen Manufactures and the growing of Wool in North-Carolina; and we recommend it to the

serious and candid attention of our readers, as embodying a mass of important facts, as calculated to awaken the people of this State to a sense of their true interests, and to stimulate them to direct their enterprise and industry into new channels. How striking is the contrast between this report, and the reports which have recently emanated from committees of the Legislatures of South-Carolina and Georgia! The one is characterized by statesman-like and patriotic views; the others are sophistical, disorganizing, intemperate, and speak of resistance, and of a dissolution of the Union, as though they were evils of no magnitude when compared with an increase of the Tariff on coarse woollens! We rejoice that North-Carolina has set an example so different, so honorable to her; but her conduct on the occasion is only in unison with her uniform, unshaken devotion to the Union of the States, and to correct republican principles.

The last Star contains the report of the joint select committee on behalf of the Governor's message as relates to the "Woollen Bill." This report was deferred until the close of the session, and was made when the members were in the hurry and bustle of preparations for their departure, indisposed and unwilling to attend to business of any kind. In the Senate it was laid on the table and ordered to be printed; in the House of Commons no notice was taken of it.

The report is merely an echo of certain productions in South-Carolina and Georgia, and could not have been carried through the two Houses. This, we presume, the committee were aware of; they therefore deferred their report till the last moment, when there was no probability of its being acted on. It cannot, then, be considered as any indication of the sentiments of the Legislature, or of the people, and we are persuaded it is not.

A Jackson man's exhortation.—The editor of the N. C. Journal, speaking of Mr. Clay's recent publication, says it "places him upon no better ground than he occupied before. Indeed, candid will admit, that the presumption of his guilt is greater now, than it was hitherto!" There is a fanaticism in politics as well as in religion; and in the former as well as in the latter case, the following lines are strictly just:—

"... the lover may Distract the look which steals his soul away; The haze may cease to think that it can play With heaven's rainbow;—alchemists may doubt The shining gold their envious gives out, But faith, fanatic faith, once wedded fast To some dear falsehood, begs it to the last."

Another triumph.—Governor Kout has been re-elected Chief Magistrate of Maryland, by the Legislature, on his session, by an almost unanimous vote—and four out of five Commissioners of State, who were chosen, are Administration men. The whole Government of the State is now fully organized in opposition to Jackson—and Maryland will go heart and hand with our present enlightened Chief Magistrate of the Union, whose whole mind and heart is devoted to the best interest of his country, and whose course is crowned with the high approbation of his illustrious predecessors in office.

Indiana.—The Indianapolis Journal, of the 11th ultimo, gives the following as the State of parties in the Legislature of Indiana on the Presidential question:

"In the Senate.—For the Administration 17; for Jackson 4."

"In the House of Representatives.—For the Administration 49; for Jackson 15; neutral 4."

Paterson, Jan. 11. The New Board of Internal Improvements met on the 1st inst. All the members were present. Mr. Nash is re-appointed Civil Engineer of the State, and is in the first place, directed to take charge of the Public Works below Washington, to have the Dredging Boat newly sheathed, and some necessary repairs made to the Dredging Machine; to advertise for a contractor to complete the deepening of the Shoals, and if one cannot be obtained by the 15th of next month, to have the Work done under a Superintendent, as heretofore.

After Mr. Nash has put the above work in a proper train of operation, he is directed to examine the shoals at Onancock Inlet, and make an estimate of the expense of making a good navigation over them, agreeably to the directions of the act passed at last session, for incorporating the Onancock Navigation Company. As soon as this object is accomplished, Mr. Nash is to proceed to Cape Fear River, for the purpose of reducing the several shoals to low Fayetteville, so as to obtain 12 inches in depth at the lowest summer water.

James M. Jones, Esq. the President of the Cape Fear Navigation Company, has been requested to resign of the Board to attend to the operations both above and below Fayetteville, (where improvements are contemplated) with power to employ an assistant and overseer or overseers, to attend to the workmen. And if he accepts the appointment, as we hope he will, we shall have no doubt that the work will be effectually and vigilantly executed.

The next meeting of the Board will be held in this city on the 14th Monday in May next.

The Agricultural Board of the State met as usual during the Session of the Legislature, and distributed such seed and books as were on hand to the several Agricultural Societies represented in the Board. Such Agricultural Societies as neglected to appoint Delegates to the Board at the last session, are informed that there are in the hands of the Secretary, for each, which may be had on application, or will be forwarded according to their directions as may be given for that purpose, a portion of Linnæus's Seed, the 7th and 8th vols. of the American Farmer, five copies of Agri-cola's Essays on Farming and Rural Affairs, and two copies of Robinson's Mitchell's Geological Reports.

The following is a list of the officers appointed for the present year, viz: CHARLES FISHER, Esq. President. GEN. JAMES MCKAY, Vice-President. WILLIAM BOYLAN, Esq. Treasurer. J. GALES, Secretary. Committee of Selection and Publication, John Muskat, Geo. W. Jeffreys, John Beard, Col. Joseph Pickett, Joseph B. Skinner, Professor Andrews, Gen. W. Blount, and Capt. William Davids. Committee of Correspondence, Col. Thomas G. Polk, John G. Blount, sen. Isaac T. Avery, Samuel King, John Gilchrist, John Hill, Chas. Williams, and Col. McEachin.

MR. GASTON.—It is said at Washington, that the appointment of Minister to England will probably be tendered to this eminent citizen. We shall rejoice to see it, as there are few men in the country whose talents and worth are held in higher and more deserved estimation.

JOHN L. HENDERSON, Esq. of Salisbury, has been appointed Clerk of the Supreme Court, vice Col. WILLIAM ROBARDS, resigned.

The following gentlemen have obtained licenses to practice law since the commencement of the present term, viz:

Superior Courts.—Reuben Pickett, Anson; William A. Graham, Hillsborough; Ralph Gorrell, Guilford; Jesse A. Bynum, Halifax.

County Courts.—Lincoln Clark, Stokes; David Anderson, Fayetteville; Joshua Colman, Fayetteville; Ismael Hamilton, Wayne; Robert R. Heath, Edenton; Thomas W. Watts, Martin.—Star.

Another Sign.—At a meeting of the Orange Peace Society, held at Oak Creek Meeting-House on the 25th ult. the members of which were citizens of Orange, Guilford and Chatham, it was proposed to express their sentiments on the presidential question. The vote was taken by ballot, those only voting who were legally entitled to vote for electors; when there were found to be: For Mr. Adams, 53 For Gen. Jackson, 9 Hillsborough Recorder.

Intelligence has been received at New-York, from Havana, that the King of Spain has acknowledged the Independence of South America. A letter from a respectable gentleman at Havana, dated the 21th of December, says that the report was generally believed at that place.

On the opposite page, we have inserted the titles of the Acts, passed at the recent session of our Legislature. Perhaps, the act making the indorser of bonds, and notes, liable as security, in the same manner as they would be, if they had signed on the face of the note, concerns the community at large more than any other. The commonly received opinion has been, that the indorser of a bond or note was not security, unless so expressed in the indorsement, when the law has been, that unless the person to whom the indorsement was made, made a demand of the maker and gave notice thereof, to the indorser, within a reasonable time, the indorser was exonerated. The Courts construed this reasonable notice to mean the first opportunity, offered by mail or otherwise; the consequence of which has been severe losses and disappointments.

Another act of general interest, is that in relation to dower. Under the former law, the Jury were compelled to assign to the widow her proportion in every separate tract, thus impairing the value of each tract, and taking from the widow the chance of selling her lands to advantage. By the recent law, the Jury have the option of assigning the whole number of acres belonging to the widow, in any one tract, having regard to the interest of the heirs.

The Act giving exclusive jurisdiction to the Superior Courts, in cases of divorces, will have a tendency, we think, to shorten the sessions of our Legislature. We speak within bounds, we are confident, when we assert, that there were more than 50 applicants for Divorces, during the recent session. When it is recollected, that every petition of this nature is referred to a Committee, who of course must report on them, in some shape, the saving of time by the Legislature, in excluding them altogether, may be estimated.

MARRIED. In this county, on Tuesday, the 8th inst. by the Rev. Samuel Williamson, John Weeks, Esq. to Miss Nancy Robinson, all of Providence. Also, in this county, on Tuesday, the 25th ultimo, by Benjamin Morrow, Esq. Mr. John Fox to Miss Agnes Alexander—all for JACKSON.

At the House of Maj. Jacob Forney, in Burke county, on the 3d inst. by the Rev. John Sullivan, Mr. Hugh A. Tate, to Miss Feltina E. Forney, all of Burke.

NEW CONFECTONERY, Fruit Store, &c. THE subscriber informs the citizens of Charlotte and its vicinity, that she has rented the house lately occupied by Mr. Thomas A. Norman, as a Grocery, and that she has just opened an assortment of Candies, of every description, Almonds, Eggs, Prunes, Raisins, Pearl Bark, &c. Smoked Herrings, Oysters, Crackers, Pickled Fish, and Philadelphia Beer; with a supply of Coffee and Sugar, &c.

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And for sale at my Establishment, North of the Court-House, another supply of

OYSTERS, AND FRESH BUTTER CRACKERS. —ALSO— MUSCATEL RAISINS. SPANISH CIGARS.

which I will sell at a reduced price. Also on hand, An assortment of gentlemen's fine and coarse,

SHOES. Cheewing TOBACCO, Domestic Spirits, Cider &c. &c. WM. HUNTER. Charlotte, Jan. 14, 1828.—267.

Cheap Goods, for Cash. TRUE SUBSCRIBERS, having entered into a copartnership in the mercantile business, under the firm of

ROSS & ROYBENT, respectfully offer to their friends, and the public in general, a choice selection of FANCY & STAPLE DRY-GOODS,

Hard-Ware and Cutlery, an excellent stock of SHOES, HATS, and almost every other article usually kept in a back country store, all of which they will sell at the lowest price for cash. Call at the Store lately occupied by Capt. Green Kendrick, where they will be always ready to wait on you with pleasure. FRANKS M. ROSS, THOS. J. ROYBENT. Charlotte, Jan. 22, 1828.—3168.

POSTAGE. Those indebted to the Post-Office, for postage on letters, newspapers, or magazines, are requested to call and settle the same.

Notice. I WILL sell, at Public Sale, on the Tuesday of the next January Court, at the Court-House in Charlotte, the remaining shares (17.) of Henry Conner, deceased, in the State Bank of North-Carolina;—and also, at the same time and place, all the shares belonging to said estate, in the Catawba Navigation Company. Terms, cash. D. M. FORNEY. Dec. 20, 1827.—3167.

Committed to the Jail. OF Mecklenburg county, on the 29th day of December, 1827, a mulatto man named WILLIAM, who says he belongs to Charles Carter, lawyer, living in Augusta, Ga. The fellow is blind in his right eye, about five feet nine inches high, and appears to be fifty or 60 years of age. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take him away. JOHN SLOAN, Sheriff of Mecklenburg County. 2657

State of North-Carolina, Mecklenburg County. November Term, 1827. Alexander Gibony vs. Henry Farr. Levied on right of land of Joseph Todd, adjoining Joseph Hudson & Hugh McInure.

IT is ordered by court, that publication be made six weeks in the Catawba Journal, for the defendant to appear at our next February Court, and there plead and reply, otherwise judgment will be entered up against him. ISAAC ALEXANDER, c. c. c. 6t 70.—pr. adv. \$2.

State of North-Carolina, Mecklenburg County. November Term, 1827.

Wilson & Connor vs. Nicholas B. Morgan. Levied on the undivided interest of the defendant, in right of his wife, in the lands that William Alexander died possessed of, containing a lot in Charlotte, &c. and interest thereon, and containing 798 acres in Mecklenburg county, adjoining Elijah Alexander & others.

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Thomas Alexander vs. Elijah Alexander. Levied on a negro woman named Julia. ORDERED, that publication be made six weeks in the Catawba Journal, for the defendant to appear at our next February Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, and plead or reply, otherwise judgment will be entered up against him. ISAAC ALEXANDER, c. c. c. 6t 70.—pr. adv. \$2.

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Nancy Gallant vs. the Real Estate of David Gallant, deceased.—Petition for Dower. IT appearing to the satisfaction of the court, that John Gallant, James Gallant, Francis Gallant, Nancy Dougherty, widow of James Dougherty, Mary Rankin, widow of John Rankin, Elizabeth McKinney, wife of John McKinney, and Sarah Spears, wife of — Spears, heirs at law of David Gallant, deceased, and next of kin of this State, it is ORDERED, by the court, that publication be made for six weeks in the Catawba Journal, giving notice to the said defendants to appear at our next court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, to be held in this county, at the Court-House in Charlotte, on the 15th Monday in February next, and answer or otherwise the petition with their proper defenses, and bring in proofs to their satisfaction. Witnesses, Isaac Alexander, Clerk of our said Court, at Charlotte, the 24th Monday of November, A. D. 1827.

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