

VALUABLE DOCUMENT.

Gov. Bragg's Message, published in our paper to-day, will be found an interesting and valuable document. Every citizen of North Carolina should read it and inform himself of the condition of the State. It gives a clear and satisfactory statement of the finances, and makes some important suggestions which we would be pleased to see carried into effect.

HOGS—PORK.

Two droves of Hogs have passed through this place—one on Saturday containing 250, and another on Sunday with 700 head in it. Holders are asking 7 cents. No sales made here.

The Spartanburg Express says that a lot of forty was sold in that place last week, at 52 cents gross—the first of the season.

In Montgomery, Va., Pork was quoted at 87, and the vicinity is said to be full of speculators, buying up hogs. Several droves had arrived at Lynchburg from Tennessee, per railroad, and pork was quoted at 86 per 100 lbs.

In Kentucky the market was dull, and no buyers of hogs at over 4 cents gross. In Cincinnati hogs are selling at 52 cents nett.

CONGRESS assembled yesterday. The session cannot last longer than three months, as it is obliged to close on the 4th March.

Dr. E. Nye Hutchison has been appointed Secretary of the Charlotte Mutual Fire Insurance Company in place of Mr. John F. Irwin, resigned.

CHARLOTTE FEMALE COLLEGE.—We notice that the large and handsome building for this institution is being rapidly completed. It is designed, we believe, as a high school, and will prevent the necessity for parents sending their daughters away from home to complete their education. We regard it as an evidence of the existence, in an eminent degree, of high moral principle, and a sure mark of the enlightenment of any community, that this provides for the education of its females. Its location is a healthy one, and is favorable for those at a distance who desire to place their daughters at an institution among a moral and hospitable people.

CALL OF A PASTOR.—The members of Taber street Presbyterian Church in Petersburg, have called to the pastoral charge of that congregation the Rev. A. W. Miller, of Charlotte, N. C. Mr. Miller is said to be an able and eloquent divine, and much beloved by his present congregation. No reply has yet been received from him.—Richmond Enquirer, Nov. 27th.

We learn that Mr. Miller has not yet decided whether he will accept or decline. If he were to govern himself by the wishes of his charge here, or by the feelings of the whole community, he would decline, as they are unwilling to part with him. Mr. Miller is indeed an able and eloquent divine, and his sermons contain so much originality and instruction, that the hearer is irresistibly compelled to follow him through his logical reasonings.

PREMIUMS.—In the hurry of making up the list of Premiums awarded at the late Mecklenburg Fair, the following awards in the Ladies department were unintentionally omitted.

Mrs. A. N. M. Taylor, best Ottoman covers, diploma.  
Mrs. M. A. Gibson, 2d best " dip.  
Miss Sophia Alexander, Crochet work, dip.  
Miss Eberhart, Needle work (bonnet) dip.  
Mrs. John A. Young, worsted work mat, dip.  
Mrs. Dr. Orr, Paintings, dip.  
Miss E. R. Williams, Brandy Peaches, dip.  
Mrs. S. H. Wilson, Tomato Vinegar, dip.

The proprietors of the Wilmington Journal, Messrs. Fulton & Price, have put in operation two Power Presses, worked by steam. We are gratified at this evidence of their prosperity. We have always viewed the Journal as one among the best papers in the South. Mr. Fulton wields a vigorous pen, and has advocated the principles of the State's Rights democratic party with ability, firmness and fairness. We the Journal meet with continued success.

Buchanan's majority in Alabama is 18,085. In Georgia 14,065.

HORSE STEALING.—A young man by the name of Mitchell, who had been loafing about Charlotte for a few days, and who had been in the stable of Messrs. Jenkins & Taylor of this place, on Wednesday night last, and stole a very fine horse, with which he decamped. On arriving at Concord his conduct and appearance were such as to lead to the suspicion that he had not come into possession of the horse honestly, and he was accordingly arrested and lodged in jail to await further developments. Two gentlemen of this place started in pursuit on Thursday morning and tracked the horse to Concord, where they arrived about a half hour after Mitchell's arrest.

FEDERAL COURT.—This Court was in session last week at Raleigh, Judge Wayne presiding. We learn that two boys from Lincoln county were tried for mail robbery. The one named Stewart, about 19 years old, was sentenced to ten years confinement in the Penitentiary, and the other, Curry, about 16 years of age, was ordered to be imprisoned for two months, and then bound out.

A man named Cherry was also tried on a charge of robbing the mail, and acquitted.

N. C. State Bonds have recently sold in New York at 95 cts. Virginia bonds sold at 94 1/2.

MR. BUCHANAN AND THE PACIFIC RAIL ROAD.

The opposition papers seem to think they have found a great bug-a-boo in the fact that Mr. Buchanan wrote a letter to California, expressing approval of the Pacific Railroad scheme. But it should be remembered that this is not the first time he has advocated such a project, and therefore is not subject to the charge of deceiving any one with regard to his views on this point. If we mistake not his nomination was opposed by some of his own party on this ground, but as there were other questions of so much greater importance, affecting the rights of the States and the vitality of the Union, and as he was known to be a national man in his views, faithful to the compromises of the Constitution, and that by his selection as our candidate the fanaticism of the North could be more easily defeated, his views on the matter under consideration were not deemed an insuperable objection with national men why they should not give him a hearty support.

The resolution on this subject was adopted in the National Convention only by a portion of the votes of the delegates—twice it was voted down—but towards the end of the session, by the continued exertions of certain gentlemen, it passed by a small majority.

Under the circumstances, we feel ourselves at liberty to either oppose or favor the measure, as a due regard to the principles of the democratic party may dictate or the interests of the country seem to require.

We notice that several of the opposition papers are publishing Mr. Rayner's letter written to Philadelphia previous to the late election. We would also have published it in the Democrat this week but for the space occupied by the Governor's Message. But in order that the people may have a fair opportunity of judging of Mr. Rayner's conduct in the fusion movement, we think our opposition friends ought also to publish his speech in Philadelphia. Let them now publish his speech as it appeared in the Philadelphia papers, and we will be satisfied to leave the people to make up a verdict.

By the by, it seems a little strange that the know-nothing papers in this State are just beginning to defend Rayner. It will be remembered that he wrote a letter to the North last summer in which he expressed a willingness to ignore all questions of domestic nature (slavery in the bargain) for the purpose of defeating the Buchanan party.

Gov. Bragg and the democratic press in the gubernatorial canvass repeatedly denounced Mr. R. for writing such a letter, and neither Mr. Gilmer nor the opposition press in this State attempted to defend him. We heard Gov. Bragg call on Mr. Gilmer to say whether he approved such conduct, and Mr. G. evaded the question and would not answer. Why did they not then defend him—why such delay?

We have no desire to misrepresent Mr. Rayner in this matter. He is not in the way of the success of the democratic party—his strength has departed; and like Sam Know-nothing, he would have been quietly dispensed with. *Sit tibi terra levis.*

The Chester (S. C.) Standard, in speaking of the late letter of Hon. R. Barnwell Rhett to Gov. Adams, advising further agitation with regard to resistance by the South, very sensibly remarks:

"We are much disposed to vote for a truce in the secession agitation, tho' it may be well enough to keep the fires of resistance burning, for fear that when they are allowed to calm down they may die out far as not to be capable of re-ignition, in case of dire emergency. We think however, the people of the South are willing now to hear a talk of other matters than those of disunion and resistance. They have succeeded in electing their candidate to the Presidency of the United States. That candidate is pledged to a constitutional administration of the government, and many persons believe that when he is installed and falls from want of co-operation, or from any other cause, to redeem his pledge, then it will be time enough to cry out against him. Perhaps therefore it would be the best policy to tender the incoming administration our support and not anticipate evil before it shows itself on the stage of action."

A PREDICTION VERIFIED.—When Mr. Avery, Chairman of the North Carolina delegation in the Cincinnati Convention, cast the vote of the delegation, on the resolutions relating to the domestic policy of the Government, he said "North Carolina gives ten votes for the resolutions and will give ten thousand in November." And she has done so, and more too.

Speculations with regard to Mr. Buchanan's Cabinet are rife. Hon. J. Glancy Jones, of Penn., and Gov. Wright of Indiana, are mentioned as likely to receive appointments. The New York Tribune reports that Gen. Cass has been offered and accepted the post of Secretary of State under Mr. Buchanan.

A Washington correspondent suggests that Gov. Bragg of No. Ca. may probably have a seat offered him in the Cabinet.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.—We learn, says the Ral. Standard, that a very sad accident occurred near Dyrartville, McDowell co., in this State, a few days ago. The tressel work being put up by Dr Vandyk for conveying water for mining purposes, fell or gave way, instantly killing five white men and seriously wounding seven or eight others, some of whom will probably die. The only names we have heard are those of Mr. Potec and Mr. Epley, both killed.

Professor N. M. Hantz, who formerly filled the chair of Modern Languages and Belles Lettres in the N. C. University, died in Florida on the 4th ult.

SOLICITOR FOR THE 6TH CIRCUIT.—Wm. Lander, Esq., of Lincoln, was on Friday, 21st, re-elected Solicitor for this Circuit, by a vote of 103 to 37.

Mr. Lander is one of the ablest lawyers in the State of his age, and has discharged his duties as Solicitor with marked industry and fidelity. He is eminently deserving, both as an officer and as a man, of this renewed evidence of confidence on the part of the General Assembly.—Standard.

N. C. LEGISLATURE.

On Friday, Nov. 21st, in the Senate, the standing Committees were announced. The Committee on Internal Improvements is composed of the following gentlemen: Messrs. W. H. Thomas, W. R. Myers, Gorrell, Ward, Christian, Mills and J. W. Thomas. Both Houses voted for Solicitor for the 6th Judicial Circuit, with the following result: Wm. Lander 103, V. C. Barringer 37.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Erwin presented a petition to extend the Western North Carolina Railroad west of the Blue Ridge. A bill was presented providing for paying talis jurors. Mr. Canlier of Lincoln presented a bill to amend the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad company, which was referred to the committee on internal improvements.

On Saturday, 22d, in the House, Mr. Matthews presented a petition from Mecklenburg county, which was read and referred to the committee on propositions and grievances. Mr. Bethea introduced a bill in aid of the Fayetteville Western Railroad. Mr. Dargan introduced a bill to incorporate the Bank of Concord. A bill was also introduced to incorporate a Railroad to run from Beaufort Harbor to connect with the N. C. Railroad.

In the Senate, on Monday, Nov. 24th, Mr. Thomas, of Jackson, introduced a bill to incorporate the "North Carolina Central Atlantic and Pacific Railroad Company." A bill was introduced by Mr. Ramsey to incorporate the N. C. and Va. Railroad Company. [Road to commence at Salisbury and terminate on the Virginia and Tennessee line.]

In the House bills were introduced to lay off two new counties—one to be called Avery, the other Alleghany.

Several bills have been introduced to repeal or amend certain sections of the Revised Code.

On Tuesday, Nov. 25th, both houses proceeded to the election of Solicitors for the 1st and 7th Districts. For the 1st District, Mr. E. C. Hines received 109 votes, and Mr. W. N. H. Smith 50. For the 7th District, Mr. Marcus Erwin received 113, Mr. G. N. Polk 38, and Mr. Gaither 8.

Messrs. Caleb Hill and Willie J. Palmer were elected Engraving Clerks.

Mr. Matthews introduced a bill to give Courts of law jurisdiction in sales of real estate. Mr. A. M. Lewis introduced a bill for the protection of mechanics and laborers. [The bill provides for a lien on the property until their wages are paid.]

On Wednesday, 26th, in the Senate, Mr. Boyd introduced a bill to incorporate the Rockingham and Danville Railroad—the Road to commence at Greensboro'. Mr. Christian also introduced a bill to incorporate the Cheraw and Coal Fields Railroad. Neither ask for any State aid.

In the House, a resolution was introduced and adopted, directing the Committee on Constitutional Reform to report on the expediency of amending the State Constitution so as to provide for the election of Judges of the Supreme and Superior Courts, Justices of the Peace, Solicitors and Attorney General, by the people. Mr. Leach of Davidson introduced a bill to charter a Railroad to run from the Coal Fields to some point on the N. C. Railroad in Davidson county. [This would be a continuation of the Fayetteville Coal Field Railroad.] A bill was passed ceding to the United States a tract of land on Cape Fear River for the purpose of erecting a Marine Hospital thereon.

Both Houses proceeded to the election of an Attorney General.—W. A. Jenkins, of Warren, received 108 votes, B. F. Moore 36, and A. J. Dargan 16.

In the way of fun, some one introduced a resolution to have the city of Raleigh removed to where the moon shines. [The streets of Raleigh are not lighted by lamps.]

In the Senate, on Thursday, the Free Suffrage Bill was passed the third and last time by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Spenser, Battle, Boyd, Brodigan, Bryant, Cameron, Carr, Chesson, Christian, Clark, Coleman, Cunningham, Dillard, Dockery, Fennell, Foust, Gibson, Hawkins, Hill, Hones, Houston, J. B. Jones, A. J. Jones, McDiarmid, Martin, Mills, Miller, W. R. Myers, A. Myers, Person, Pool, Ramsay, Rivers, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, W. H. Thomas, Ward, White, Wilder—39.

NAYS—Messrs. Burgess, Cowper, Eaton, Gorrell, Grist, Holt, Parks, Wiggins—8.

In the House, Mr. Elliott introduced a bill giving banks the privilege to issue notes of \$1 and upwards. The bill providing for the payment of talis jurors was rejected. The bill to amend the law with regard to the qualifications of jurors, by inserting the words "well qualified" instead of "freeholder," was also rejected by 76 to 27.

LATER FROM EUROPE.

The steamship Persia, with Liverpool cotton to the 15th November, has arrived.—Dutton is steady; the lower qualities have slightly declined; middling has slightly advanced. Breadstuffs are inactive and slightly lower.

A despatch from Constantinople states that the Persians had been repulsed near Herat with heavy loss.

The English Ministerial papers assert that the alliance between France and England is as close and cordial as ever, and that it has not been shaken or impaired.

A registrar of the Northern railways had absconded, being a defaulter to the amount of 150,000 pounds.

ANOTHER NEW TERRITORY.—Another Territory is about to be organized by a portion of its inhabitants. On the 1st of September an election was held at various points in the Gadsden Purchase for delegates to the Territorial Legislature of New Mexico and for a delegate to Congress.—The latter, it is expected, will present to Congress a petition for the separation of the Gadsden Purchase from the northern and part of New Mexico and the erection of an independent territorial government. To this post Mr. R. P. Cook was chosen.

SOUTHERN COMMERCIAL CONVENTION.

At a meeting of the citizens of Charlotte, held at the Intendant's Office, on Wednesday the 26th of November, for the purpose of appointing delegates to represent the town of Charlotte in the Southern Commercial Convention, to be held at Savannah, Ga., on the 8th Dec., David Parks, the Intendant, was called to the Chair, and J. M. Hutchison was requested to act as Secretary. The Chairman appointed the following delegates to represent the town in said Convention: James W. Osborne, Esq., Hon. G. W. Caldwell, Hon. D. B. Barringer, John Erwin, John H. Gibson, Leroy Springs, W. J. Yates, R. F. Davidson, Wm. F. Pfifer, J. M. Hutchison, Gen. J. A. Young, T. J. Holton, W. A. Williams, Wm. Johnston, Dr. H. M. Pritchard, and J. H. Wilson.

On motion, the name of the Intendant was added to the delegation.

The meeting then adjourned.

DAVID PARKS, Intendant.  
J. M. HUTCHISON, Sec'y.

[NOTE.—Since the above meeting, the Intendant received an invitation from the Mayor and a committee at Savannah to attend said Convention, and requesting him to appoint delegates. We hope Charlotte will be represented.—Ed. Dem.]

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO DELEGATES.—Delegates to the Southern Commercial Convention to be held on the second Monday in December next at Savannah, says the Petersburg Express, will be furnished with Free Tickets to that city and back again. This arrangement has been agreed upon by the several railroad companies along the line. This liberality on the part of Southern railroads is highly commendable, and will no doubt secure a large attendance of delegates.—Richmond Enquirer.

We are not certain, but we think one or two of the Roads between this place and Savannah intend to charge half price. If we are wrong, we would be pleased to be corrected.

RAILROAD EXTENSIONS.—A correspondent of the Asheville News, writing from Raleigh says:

"The plan which seems most in favor is, to extend both the N. C. Central, and the Wilmington and Rutherford roads, through the mountains to Tennessee, with such State aid as will insure a prompt crossing of the Blue Ridge.

In connection with this plan, it is proposed to extend the Wilmington and Rutherford road through the Butte Mountain Gap, thus supplying the French, Broad Valley with a railroad, built by State aid. The question with the people there now becomes, whether they wish to secure a railroad for their country, though leading to a North Carolina market, or to take the chances of a South Carolina connection."

The Wilmington Herald learns that the bill for the benefit of the Wilmington and Charlotte Rail Road, now before the Legislature, proposes to change the section from 25 to 20 miles, and to exchange bonds with the State for two-thirds of the cost of sections, giving the State as additional security a mortgage on the road and its equipments.

In the South Carolina Legislature, Hon. Mr. Mazyek has introduced into the Senate a series of resolutions on the slavery question, among which we find the following, which we hope will not be adopted by that honorable body:

"Resolved, That a just and reasonable regard for their own security and welfare ought to induce the people of the slaveholding States to annul the compact which subjects them to a common government with the people of the other States, to resume to themselves respectively the powers delegated by them to that Government, and to form among themselves another confederacy, composed of more homogeneous constituents, and excluding as much as possible the elements of hostility to their peculiar rights, institutions and property."

I. O. O. F.

At the recent session of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd-Fellows, the following gentlemen were elected officers for the ensuing year:

E. W. Jones, Grand Master; J. A. Weirman, Deputy Grand Master; A. Paul Reppitt, Grand Secretary; R. J. Jones, G. and Treasurer; J. M. Price, Grand Warden; Rev. Mr. Cummings, Grand Chaplain.

W. J. Hoke, Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States.

The Grand Encampment met at the same time and place, and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: N. W. Cooke, G. C. P. J. M. Price, G. S. W. John Sloan, G. H. P. J. B. Webb, G. J. W. R. J. Jones, G. Scribe and Treasurer.

The Grand Lodge and Encampment adjourned on the 25th to meet in Wilmington on the 4th Monday in November, 1857.

D. K. McRAE, Esq.—We received a letter from Paris yesterday, and were pained to learn that the health of Mr. McRae, our Consul at that city, was very bad.—Our correspondent writes: "Mr. McRae has gone to Nice 'to spend the winter.' His recovery, I am afraid, is very doubtful."

The numerous friends of this gentleman, in this State and elsewhere, will receive this information with pain.—Wilmington Herald.

CHILD BURIED ALIVE—SINGULAR TENACITY OF LIFE.—On Wednesday morning, a young woman, about 18 years of age, boarding with a widow in Wylie's Court, gave birth to a female child, and without informing any one in the house, it is alleged, buried it in a pile of ashes in the cellar, about 12 o'clock the same day. The occupant of the house had employed a man that day to remove the ashes, and about 3 o'clock that afternoon, while engaged in this work, found the child buried about a foot beneath the surface.

It was wrapped up into a skirt, and had a stocking tied around its neck, on removing which it was discovered that the child still breathed, though it had been under the ashes for nearly three hours. It was taken in charge by the lady of the house, and a physician sent for, and yesterday morning it was thought the child would live.—Philadelphia Ledger.

South Carolina Conference.

The South Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, closed its annual session in Yorkville on the 27th. A large amount of business was transacted, and the various Reports show the Church to be in a highly prosperous condition. About \$28,000 were collected the past year for Missionary purposes.

The next Conference is to be held in Charlotte, N. C.

APPOINTMENTS:  
CHARLESTON DIST.—H. A. C. Walker, P. E. CHARLESTON.—Cumberland—W. P. Moulton Trinity—J. T. Wightman. Bethel—W. H. Fleming. Spring-street—W. E. Boone. St. James—W. A. Hemingway. Cooper River—E. J. Fenington. Cooper River Mission—G. W. Moore. Black River Mission—To be supplied. St. Andrew's Mission—To be supplied. Cypress—W. H. Lawton, W. B. Curry. St. George and St. Paul's Mission—A. Nettleson. Pon Pon Mission—W. C. Kirkland—one to be supplied. St. George—J. T. Kilgo. Walterboro—W. W. Jones, R. R. Pegues, Ashpeop and Cambahee Mission—P. A. M. Williams—one to be supplied. Prince William's Mission—W. H. Tutto. Black Swamp—S. Leard, R. W. Burgess. Allendale—S. B. Jones. Savannah R. Mission—J. D. W. Crook, D. A. Ogburn.

Okatee Mission—To be supplied. Beaufort Mission—J. R. Coburn. Edisto and Joessee Mission—C. Wilson. GEORGETOWN DISTRICT—C. Betts, P. E. Georgetown—L. M. Hamar. Santee Mission—J. T. Dubose, C. E. Wiggins. Sumpter Mission—T. Mitchell. Black River and Pee Dee Mission—J. W. Miller, A. H. Hamon. Black River—W. L. Pegues, O. A. Crietzer. Black Mingo Mission—G. W. Stokes. Lynchburg—J. H. Robinson. Darlington—M. McCorquodale, J. W. Murray. Sumter—A. G. Stacey, J. T. Munds, super. Santee Circuit—B. English. Bennettsville—H. M. Wood, W. Frigg. Society Hill Mission—J. P. Hughes. Marion—D. J. Simmons. Liberty Chapel Mission—J. A. Mood. Marion Circuit—L. M. Little, J. W. Crider. Conwayboro—D. W. Seale, A. J. Evans. Waccamaw Mission—J. A. Minnick, J. L. McGregor.

Upper Waccamaw Mission—G. K. Andrews. COLUMBIA DISTRICT—W. Crook, P. E. Columbia—Washington Street—C. H. Pritchard. Marion Street—O. A. Darby. Engage Mission—N. Talley. Columbia Circuit—D. D. Byers. Richland For Mission—A. L. Smith. Blackville—E. J. McNeard. Barnwell—E. A. Price. Orangeburg—L. M. Banks, F. M. Morgan. Lexington—J. Bradley, E. A. Leman. Santee—A. P. Avant.

Upper Santee Mission—W. Carson. Wadesboro—S. G. Connor. Fairfield—C. McLeod. Chester—S. Townsend. W. Martin, Agent of Columbia Female College.

COKEBURY DISTRICT—R. J. Boyd, P. E. Cokebury—A. M. Crietzer. Abbeville—C. Marchison. Edgefield—J. A. Porter, J. S. Hill. Aiken—To be supplied. Graniteville Mission—W. W. Mood. Newberry—A. W. Walker. Newberry Circuit—T. Rayser, J. M. Cline. Union—S. H. Brown, C. J. Gage. River Tiger and Enoree Mission—J. Finger. Lenoir—M. H. Lupton, A. P. Martin. Greenville—F. M. Kennedy. Anderson Circuit—M. Eady, W. A. Clarke. Greenville—R. P. Franks, one to be supplied. Wallhalla Mission—J. H. Zimmerman. Pickens—F. Smith. Joessee Mission—L. M. Scarborough. Wadesboro—S. G. Connor. Wadesboro Circuit—M. A. McKilben, J. S. Nelson. Chesterfield—S. Jones. Canaan—W. A. Gamewell. Waterman Mission—J. S. Shuford, W. S. Black. Lancaster—A. B. Steptoe. Catawba Mission—A. J. Cauthen. Monroe—W. W. Ivey, one to be supplied. Tr. R. Wash, Pres. Carolina Female College.

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. W. Kelly, P. E. Spartanburg—J. H. Durant. Spartanburg Circuit—C. S. Walker. Yorkville—A. H. Lester. Yorkville Circuit—J. W. North. Lincoln—L. W. Wood, M. A. Connelly. Shelby—E. W. Thomson. Rutherford—P. F. Kistler. Catawba—J. P. Puett. Lenoir—A. Ervin. Morgan—J. S. Ervin, one to be supplied. South Mountain Mission—To be supplied. Columbus—B. G. Jones. Upper Broad River Mission—J. Parker. W. M. Wightman, President of Wofford College. Whitford Smith, Professor in Wofford College.

Charles Taylor, Professor in Spartanburg Female College. A. M. Shipp, Professor in North Carolina University. Benjamin Jenkins, Missionary to China.

The following preachers from North Carolina were admitted: J. L. McGregor of Anson, Evan A. Leman of Mecklenburg, Joel A. Gleason of Morganton.

A STATE WITHOUT TAXES.

The State of Texas is in a most enviable condition in regard to her finances. She is the envy of the country. Her Comptroller, in a recent report, presents the following flattering picture of her condition:

"The State is out of debt, with a surplus of over a million of dollars in the treasury—a permanent five per cent school fund of ten millions of dollars, an unappropriated public domain estimated at one hundred millions of acres, which, if judiciously used, would subserve all the purposes of internal improvements required by the State, and a tax lighter than is imposed on any other people, and which is adequate to all the wants of the Government. The aggregate amount of taxable property is very nearly \$150,000,000, being an increase of \$22,500,000 over the previous year."

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Gen. Goicouria charges President Walker of Nicaragua with the intention to conquer and annex Cuba, with the design of creating a Southern despotic government, as a counterbalance to the United States.

FROM KANSAS.

CHICAGO, Nov. 26.—Advice just received from Kansas state that Marshal Donaldson positively refused to re-arrest Hayes, who was charged with the murdering of Buffum, and who had escaped from prison. He expressed a determination to resign his office in preference to making the arrest.

Later news received advise us that Hayes has been arrested by Col. Titus. Governor Geary had suspended Judge Lecompte from the discharge of his Judicial duties. Judge Lecompte has issued a process against Governor Geary for contempt of Court.

Lecture by Hon. Thos. H. Benton. Boston, Nov. 26th.—Col. Benton delivered a copy-right address here last evening, subject: "State of the Union, its condition and danger." He occupied two hours, during which many of the audience left, evidently feeling it too ponderous a subject for an audience chiefly composed of young men.

Important from Mexico. NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 26.—Private letters received here from Vera Cruz state that a battle between Vidaurri and Garcon took place on the 10th November. Garcon was defeated, and barely had time to save himself by flight.

SENTENCE OF AN OLD MAN FOR THE MURDER OF HIS SON.—The Montreal Pilot of November 20th, says that at the conclusion of the Toronto Assizes William Abraham was sentenced to death for the murder of his son.

"The unfortunate man is sixty-four years of age, and was so feeble that he was obliged to be assisted into the dock. While asked by his lordship what he had to say why sentence of death should not be passed on him, the prisoner made a full confession of having murdered his son, and said he asked no mercy from any earthly tribunal—as he felt himself unworthy of it. He only hoped for mercy from heaven. To no one did he bear any malice—he forgave them all. His own weakness has been the cause of the dreadful crime he had committed, but he hoped to find mercy in the eyes of God. The 15th of December has been named as the day of execution."

THE SUGAR CANE EXPEDITION.—An expedition similar to that which was sent to Arabia and Asia Minor to procure camels, has been fitted out under the direction of the Commissioner of Patents, to proceed to South America for the purpose of procuring a fresh supply of cuttings of sugar cane for the experiment in the Southern States. The U. S. Brig Release, under the command of Capt. Simms, sailed from the Brooklyn Navy Yard, New York, on the 5th ult., having on board the necessary lumber and materials for one thousand and eight boxes, each about three feet in length, in which to pack the sugar cane cuttings.

Mr. Townsend Glover has been designated to accompany this expedition and make the selections.

GREAT YIELD.—Mr. Williamson Page, of this county, raised the following crops on one acre of land, viz: In September, 1855, he sowed one bushel of wheat mixed with turnip seed, from which he raised forty-five bushels of wheat and about 800 bushels of turnips. In June, 1856, he planted the same ground in corn and peas, and has harvested fifty-one bushels of corn, and sixty-four bushels of peas. The only fertilizer used was stable manure. Who can beat this?—Ral. Standard.

KILLED HIS BROTHER.—On the morning of the 13th ult., Mr. Christopher Meadows, of this county, while laboring under a fit of insanity, or delirium tremens, shot, and killed his brother, George M. Meadows. Both are men of families, and highly respected in their neighborhood. Christopher has been arrested and committed to prison, unconscious of his situation, and ignorant of the deed he has committed; and at times is a raving maniac. The unfortunate affair has filled the community with grief, for the untimely end of the murdered man, and sympathy for the unfortunate creature who committed the crime.—Kinston (N. C.) Advocate.

SLAVE TROUBLES IN MISSOURI.—The New Madrid (Mo.) Times says:

"A number of prominent citizens of this county have called a meeting, to be held at the court house in this city, on this day, for the purpose of determining the best course to be adopted to suppress a supposed insurrection of the negroes in this and adjoining counties. This move was put on foot after information having been received that the negroes of this county, together with those of Obion county, Tennessee, have conspired, and are mediating a general insurrection, to take place on the 25th of December."

MARRIED.

At Mount Mourne, Iredell county, on the 25th ult., by the Rev. Stephen Frontis, Mr. Richard A. Torrence to Miss Elizabeth E. Reid, daughter of the late Rufus Reid.

In Newton, Catawba county, on the 19th ult., Rev. Thornton Butler, of Lexington, to Miss Catherine J. Rendleman.

In Concord, on the 19th ult., Mr. Charles Waterson to Miss Sallie V. Kistler.

In Cabarrus county, on the 20th ult., Mr. W. S. Sloop, of Salisbury, to Miss Mary Krimminger.

In Davidson county, on the 22d ult., Mr. John B. Fitzgerald to Miss Mary M. Roberts. Also, on the 13th ult., Mr. James M. Gortonwood to Miss Amanda Flowers.

In Greensboro, on the 20th ult., Mr. John W. Conrad to Miss Francis J. Wenhely.

In Greensboro, on the 20th ult., Mr. A. P. Newhart to Mrs. Sidney Peters.

In Guilford county, on the 21st ult., by Rev. C. F. Harris, Mr. E. F. Briggs to Miss Phoebe Leadbetter, daughter of Henry Leadbetter.

In Yorkville, on the 27th ult., by Bishop J. O. Andrew, Rev. A. H. Lester to Miss Margaret C. Miller.

In Darlington Dist., on the 11th ult., Wm. Johnson Saunders, Esq., of Raleigh, N. C., to Miss Josephine Manasser Barot, of Darlington. In York District, S. C., on the 23d ult., Mr. J. H. Hambrick and Miss Rebecca Holmes.

DIED.

In Davidson county, on the 15th ult., Miss Lucy Michal.

The Executive Committee

of the Mecklenburg Agricultural Society, will meet at the office of Gen. Jno. A. Young, on SATURDAY, 13th Dec., at 9 o'clock, A. M. A full attendance is desirable, as the object is to select and purchase a permanent Fair Ground.

ROBT. F. DAVIDSON, Clk'n.  
Dec. 2, 1856.

DR. WAT, Dentist