

TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY.

There was quite an animated debate in the Senate on the 7th inst. on the proposition from the Commons to go into the election of five Trustees of the University.

It was apparent to every one that without some concert among the majority in the Legislature the vacancies referred to could not be filled.

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CHARLOTTE AND HER RECOLLECTIONS.

Besides the honor of being the seat of the Convention, in 1775, that issued the first Declaration of Independence, Charlotte, in Mecklenburg, North Carolina, has claims upon posterity both singular and meritorious.

Cornwallis called Charlotte the "hornet's nest," and unwilling to pay for supplies with so much English blood, after the fatal battle at King's Mountain became known to him, his lordship determined to leave this vexatious post.

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HIGH PRICES OF ANIMAL FOOD.

Time enough has now elapsed for the collection of data relative to the gradual increase in prices of the necessaries of life during the last decade, and accordingly we receive from various sources explanatory theories based upon statistics.

The cause of the exaggerated price of animal food, however, is not so manifest. Epidemics, to be sure, have been raging in certain districts, as destructive to live stock as mildew to corn, or the rot to the potato.

An ingenious article in a late number of the Cincinnati Gazette, furnishes certain tables, which, we think, afford a solution.

Table with 4 columns: Year, Horses and mules, Neat cattle, Swine, Sheep. Rows for 1840, 1850, and 1855.

The increase of population during this decade was more than 35 per cent., exceeding that of neat cattle one-half, more than double that of swine, and nearly treble that of sheep.

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In the six States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky and Missouri, on the other hand, the increase has been more than 7,500,000 head, the aggregate being:

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But even in these States neither the increase of cattle nor of swine has kept pace with that of population.

In the meanwhile, the exportation of animal products has more than trebled within the last twenty years, the average export of provisions being in value as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Year, Period of 1836 to 40 inclusive, 1842 '46, 1847 '51, 1852 '56. Values in \$.

To recapitulate: the amount of live stock has actually decreased in the Atlantic States, while the number of consumers has gone on steadily augmenting.

THE REVENUE.—REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.—Mr. Boyd, Chairman of the Finance Committee, has made a report to the Senate of "A bill to amend the 99th chapter of the Revised Code, entitled Revenue."

LATER FROM NICARAGUA.

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A letter from Granada, dated December 1st, states that the church of Guadalupe was still held by 200 yankees, who refused to surrender at the summons of Gen. Belloso.

Private letters state that the Indians in Ometepe has risen against Walker and killed 15 filibusters.

Advices from Rivas to December 5th, state that Walker had arrived before Rivas and was preparing to attack General Canas who had 600 men well supplied with provisions and munitions.

FROM OREGON.—The dates from Oregon are to 11th December. A battle was fought on the 21st of November, at Puget Sound, between the United States steamer Massachusetts, and a party of Northern Indians.

FROM HAVANA AND MEXICO.—The steamer Isabel arrived at Charleston with advices from Havana.

A great storm—very destructive to the shipping—is reported as having occurred off Vera Cruz. The Mexican steamer Guadalupe is among the wrecked; also, the steamer Iturbide.

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GALLANT.—Sunday evening last on the Wilmington and Weldon railroad, about forty-four miles from the former place, the locomotive gave out, whereupon the gentlemen passengers jumped to the ground and pushed the car containing the ladies the distance of three miles.

THE CULTIVATION OF COTTON IN AFRICA.—In England, the Government, as well as the manufacturers, are looking to the continent of Africa, as a prominent field for the culture of Cotton.

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"WOMAN VERSUS LADY."

The Alta California, under the caption we have copied above, submits the following truthful and felicitously expressed remarks upon the absurd habit into which we Democratic Americans have fallen into of substituting the word lady for woman, and for wife.

We were casually informed a few days since, that a gentleman in this city mortally offended a female friend by incidentally applying to her the term "woman."

With the importation of foreign silks, and foreign jewelry and knicknacks, we have of late years imported a great deal too much of foreign mannerisms and forms of expression.

And yet how much more of dignity and beauty, how much more of holy music is there in the good old Saxon word "woman" than in the term "lady."

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Shall we Recognize our Earthly Friends in Heaven?

Is it wrong to wish to see them, Who were dear to us on earth? Who have gone to Heavenly mansions, Who surround a brighter heaven?

Is it wrong to mourn their absence, From the parted household band? Should we check the sign of sadness, Though they're in a better land?

Is it wrong to hope to meet them, Yet upon the blessed shore, And with songs of joy to greet them, When this toil of life is o'er?

Is it wrong to think them dearer Than the many of the blest, Who to us on earth were strangers? Must we love them like the rest?

I've a mother up in heaven, And, oh! tell me, if ye will, Will that mother know her children— Will she recollect them still?

Can she look down from those windows, To this dark and distant shore? Will she know when I am coming— Will she meet me at the door?

Will she clasp me to her bosom, In her ecstasy of joy! Will she ever be my mother— Shall I ever be her boy?

And, thou, loved one, who didst leave us, In the morning of thy bloom, Dearest sister, shall I meet thee When I go beyond the tomb?

Shall I see thy lovely features, Shall I hear thy pleasant words, Sounding o'er my spirit's heart-strings, Like the melody of birds?

And I think me of another— Of a darling little one— Who went up among the angels, Ere his life had scarce begun.

Oh! I long once more to see him, And to hold him in my arms, As I did when he was with us, With his thousand bidding charms.

Ah! 'tis true the soul must suffer, And be bound with anguish down, Ere 'tis fitted for its dwelling, Ere 'tis ready for its crown.

But, oh, Jesus! blessed Jesus! Thou art loved without alloy; Thou wilt meet us, thou wilt bless us, Thou wilt give us perfect joy! S. S.

SCIENCE OF SOUND.

It is a curious fact in the history of sounds, that the loudest noise perish almost on the spot where they are pronounced, whereas musical tones will be heard at a distance.

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MR. BANKS' LECTURE.

On Friday night last, by request, Mr. Banks, of Fayetteville, repeated in this City his Lecture on the "Romance of Scottish History." The evening was clear and bracing, and the Commons Hall presented an assemblage of intelligence and beauty seldom seen here on any occasion.

Mr. Banks was introduced to the audience by Mr. Cantwell. The Lecture was impressively delivered, and well received. The Lecturer commenced in the twelfth century, and came down to the present day, presenting and illustrating the leading events in Scottish history, and intertwining there-with many of the legends and much of the touching poetry of his native land.

Wm. H. Dyer.—Dear Sir: I have used two bottles of Prof. Wood's Hair Restorative, and can truly say it is the greatest discovery of the age for restoring and changing the Hair. Before using it I was as gray as a man of seventy. My hair has now attained its original color. You can recommend it to the world without the least fear, as my case was one of the worst kind.

A HOMESTEAD FOR \$10!

IN the gold region of Culpepper county, Va. to be divided amongst 10,200 subscribers, on the 13th of April, 1857. Subscriptions only ten dollars each: one half down, the rest on the delivery of the Deed. Every subscriber will get a Building Lot or a Farm, ranging in value from \$10 to \$25,000. These Farms and Lots are sold so cheap to induce settlements, a sufficient number being reserved, the increase in the value of which will compensate for the apparent low price now asked.

A company of settlers, called "The Rappahannock Pioneer Association," is now forming and will commence a systematic subscription on the 13th of April, 1857. Ample security will be given for the faithful performance of contracts and promises.

DISSOLUTION.—The Copartnership of FISHER, BURROUGHS & CO. was dissolved by mutual consent on the first of January, 1857. All persons indebted to the said firm are requested to make "IMMEDIATE" payment to the undersigned.

WE TOLD YOU SO.—We have just received a second supply of Ready Made Clothing, BOOTS AND SHOES, and a great many other goods, which together with what we had on hand, makes our Stock large and complete.

FRESH GARDEN SEEDS.—Have received a fresh supply of LANDRETH'S GARDEN SEEDS, consisting of every variety suitable to this climate.

CHEAP SOAP.—Key Stone State Saponifier OR CONCENTRATED LYE.—One pound of the Lye with five pounds of Fat will make ten pounds of Hard Soap, or one hundred pounds of soft soap.

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