



TARBOROUGH

SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 1841.

The Students in the Female Academy in this place, under the superintendence of Miss A. M. Ragsdale, were publicly examined in their various studies on Tuesday and Wednesday last.

The Extra session of Congress commenced on Monday last. In the Senate, the Chair was taken by the Hon. Samuel L. Southard, of New Jersey, President of the Senate.

On Tuesday, the President transmitted to both Houses his Message, which we will publish in our next; merely remarking at present, that on the two great questions of a National Bank, and assumption of State debts, the President does not appear so whiggish as most of his advocates.

FOR THE TARBORO' PRESS.

No. 3.

The Opossum Fighter's thoughts.

Well, George, I told you in my last, I should try to knock down the hub this time; and in doing so, I shall attack the great tusk opossum, the United States Bank.

I have set it down, as a point that cannot be overborne, that every State is formed of individuals, equal in their rights, and that a State or body politic is sovereign within the limits of her own territory, and has a right to make laws for her own government.

And if you ask me, George, what is your political creed? I say, I go the whole hog for State rights, over which neither the United States, nor any king or emperor, has a right to legislate; but the people alone, to make their own laws and govern themselves.

And I say, that in the same way every State in the Union, which at that time was thirteen, now 26 States, came forward and entered into compact or confederation, as did the individuals in one State.

compact agreement, if it was not to get his neighbor's aid to assist him against a common enemy. After they had formed their rules of compact, thirteen more, reading them and approving their rules, joined in with them so as to make the 26 States.

Now the rules of agreement between these thirteen States to form their compact or body politic, is expressly set forth in the constitution of the United States. Now let it be understood, that in the formation of a State constitution, it behoves every man, before he enters the compact, to be a free man; and he is then of course only bound in the compact of union among all the individuals, so far as he has agreed to in the State constitution of North Carolina.

And I contend that every right not expressly given away and surrendered, is still belonging to the States. And I contend, that all the rights given away by any State, are expressly laid down in the United States constitution, as the compact agreement of the union of the States.

And I contend, that Congress has no right of construction of the United States constitution, farther than that is expressly declared. And I contend that Congress has no right to crawl about among the bushes, to find out implying clauses in the constitution to give themselves power to do this or that; for it is this implied power that is the curse of the nation.

It is this implied power that is the origin of a United States Bank, which has been hunted out by men that wish to carry a point of gain for themselves and others, and not express power given in the constitution. Then we will say, there are two constructions to be given to the constitution, power direct and expressed, and power hunted in the bushes implied.

For I challenge every man in the United States, from President Tyler to the piney woods boy, to show me in the constitution of the United States, in any clause, article or section thereof, where power was given by the States to Congress, expressly in the confederation and agreed compact of the States, to create and charter a bank.

Then if I understand the letters and words, and meaning of the words composing the United States constitution, Congress never had any power granted them expressly from the States, to create and charter a United States bank. Show it who can. Read in section the viii. 5: Congress shall have power to coin money, regulate the value thereof and of foreign coin, and fix the standard of weights and measures.

But, sirs, this clause showeth the power given to Congress by the States, that she has no right to coin any thing but gold and silver, and fix the standard weight of both domestic and foreign; and this is the extent of the power given by the States in the constitution to Congress.

Then I shall put it down as certain, that if Congress has power from the constitution of the United States to charter a bank, it must be like old Mary's cat—when asked, where is your cat? Oh, said she, dear Sally, she is here, there, and every where, and no where.

The Execution.—On Friday last, James Medson Johnson, charged the murderer of Henry Beasley, of Chatham County, on the gallows; he was hung in this City, about one o'clock. P. M.—Raleigh Standard.

However, in rambling about, we may get a glimpse of Mary's cat.

George, what does implied power mean? Don't it mean a power not expressly given? Surely. And, George, if this is the case, how am I to know who this power came from? How am I to know the extent of that power, if not expressed in the constitution? Then, George, this implied power of the States to Congress to charter a bank, is to be hunted in every article and section of the constitution; as I said, in the bushes.

But, like mother, like daughters; for I have always noticed, that if the mother was a harlot, the daughters were pretty sure to be. So then, Congress was to blame in chartering the first Bank of America, for thereby she set the bad example to the States; although some allowance is to be made for the chartering the first Bank of America, from the poverty of the Treasury.

And why is not the State paper of North Carolina as good as the paper of a United States bank? They are as well able to pay, but, sir, here is the rub; the State banks fleece the people, and the United States bank fleeces the people of all the States, therefore it should be put down.

And it throws open the doors to brokerage, and speculation upon the necessitous citizen, when the paper he has in hand is as good as theirs that they give him. Are the States free and independent? If so, then they have a right to regulate their own internal affairs, independent of the General Government.

Down, George, goes the hub; for if the constitution of the United States prohibited the States to emit bills of credit, and coin nothing but gold and silver, surely the convention that formed the constitution saw the evil of emitting bills of credit, and therefore gave not this power to the States; nor have they in the formation of the constitution of the United States, given to Congress such power to charter banks, and emit their bills of credit to the people.

Then I put it down as certain as the shining of the candle I am writing by, that the chartering of a State or United States bank, is a stretch of usurped power by the Legislature and Congress, not found expressly neither in the State nor United States constitutions; and the people will do well not to suffer their liberties and rights to be encroached upon by Legislatures or Congress, but to keep both to the text books of the constitutions and always turn out every man that dare violate these great charters of your liberties.

Well, George, give me time, and in my next I will try to pocket the hub and walk off.

Shocking Occurrences.—We have been shocking to hear of two homicides having been perpetrated in Anson county, within two or three weeks past. The first occurred on the 1st instant, in which Mr. Matlocks was killed by a man named Hollea, who was arrested and is now confined in the Jail at Wadesborough.

The second, which, from the respectability of the parties, and the cause of quarrel, has produced very great excitement in Anson, resulted in the most instantaneous death of a young man named May, by a pistol ball, fired by another young man named Martin, who, with Thomas Waddell, Esq. as accessory, was arrested, and they are both now in Wadesborough Jail, where, bail having been refused, they will have to remain till the Superior Court in September.

Participating deeply in the public concern at this awful occurrence, we refrain from giving any of the particulars which have reached us, lest we might do injustice to the parties, or prejudice the cause of the prisoners. The above is all that our duty as a public journalist requires, at this stage of the matter.

Fayetteville Observer.

Counterfeit Hard Money.—We saw a few days ago, a very well executed counterfeit Mexican dollar, and learn that many such are in circulation. It was made of Copper, glossed over with silver, and required some examination to detect the fraud.

It is said there is a Mint for the coinage of this kind of hard money, in Moore County. If it be so, cannot the good people of Moore get some clue to its location, and break it up? It is due to themselves and the public that the effort should be made.—Ibid.

Dead Herrings.—Vast quantities of Herrings have died in our creeks within the last few days, and the shores are strewn with them. Other fish, too, as the red-fin and perch have also died, which must be owing to the innumerable numbers that have swarmed our streams.

Old North State.

The cause of Temperance in North Carolina.—According to the return made by the census-takers to the Department of State, there are in North Carolina, two thousand six hundred and twenty-eight distilleries, which distil annually one million, thirty eight thousand, seven hundred and forty-one gallons of spirituous liquors.—This is nearly double the number of distilleries in any other State in the Union.

Newbern Spectator.

Desperado killed.—The Arkansas Gazette states that the notorious John Hill, alias Nixon Curry, was killed at Norris town, Pope county, on the 30th ult., with his own knife, by a man named Hutton. Hill was intoxicated and had just beat another individual severely.

Washington Market, June 2.—Corn—wholesale, \$1 75 a \$1 20. Bacon—sides 8 a 9 cents, hams 11 cents. Naval Stores—New dip, \$2 15; Oil, \$2 00. Scrape, 70 cents. Fat, \$1 10. Fish, snad, 7 a 8. Herrings, cut, \$3 50; whole, \$2 50 a \$3 00.—Rep.

COMMUNICATED.

Elder P. Puckett is expected to preach at Red Banks, on the 31 day of June; 4th, at Greenville; 5th, at Great Swamp; 6th, at Conover; 8th, at Tarboro; 9th, at Town Creek; 10th, at Upper Town Creek; 11th, at Fossnot; 12th, at Contentnea; 13th, at Old Black Creek; 15th, at Memorial; 16th, at Nauhony; 18th, at Pleasant Plains; 19th and 20th, at Sandy Bottom.

Elder Wm. Burns, from Virginia, is expected to preach at Richland Chapel, on the 24th May; 25th, at South West, m. h.; 26th, at the 15; 27th, at Youp's m. h.; 30th, at Stump Sound; 31st, at Warisville; June 1st, at North East; 2d, at White Oak; 3d, at Hadnot's Creek; 4th, at Bell's; 5th, at Newport Chapel; 6th, at Nocumb's Creek; 8th, at Swift Creek; 9th, at Galloway's m. h.; 10th, at Red Banks; 11th, at Greenville; 12th, at Great Swamp; 13th, at Conover; 14th, at Tarboro; 15th, at Town Creek; 16th, at Upper Town Creek; 17th, at Falls Tar River.

MARRIED. In this place, on Thursday last, by Austin, Esq. Mr. Redding Lawrence and Miss Elizabeth Lawrence, daughter of Mr. John Lawrence, all of Conover. Prices Current, At Tarborough and New York. JUNE 5. per Tarboro' New York. Bacon, lb 8 9 10 11 Brandy, apple, gallon 50 60 40 50 Coffee, lb 13 16 40 40 Corn, bushel 40 45 42 42 Cotton, lb 8 9 47 47 Cotton bagging, yard 20 25 15 15 Flour, barrel \$8 63 \$9 12 Iron, lb 5 1/2 6 1/2 Lard, lb 8 9 7 7 Molasses, gallon 40 45 22 22 Sugar, brown, lb 10 12 1/2 6 Salt, T. I., bushel 60 65 32 32 Turpentine, barrel 150 160 215 215 wheat, bushel 65 75 120 120 whiskey, gallon 35 40 32 32

Notice. THE subscribers having opened a Public House at Grove Hill, Warren county North Carolina, 11 miles from Wadesborough, on the road leading to Halifax, are prepared to accommodate travellers or persons who may wish board during the busy season. Their charges will be moderate, and their table shall be furnished with the best they can procure. Their tables will be attended by a ten live colliers. HENRY A. KEARNEY, SADDLERY THIEF. May 29, 1841.

State of North Carolina, EDGECOMBE COUNTY. Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, MAY TERM, 1841. S. C. & E. Wile & Co. vs. Daniel K. Warner. Original Attachment. Returned & levied on two Jersey wagons and harness, the 26th of April, 1841. Appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that the defendant in this case, is not an inhabitant of this State; it is therefore ordered, that publication be made in the Tarboro' Press for six weeks successively, giving the defendant notice to appear before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions to be held for said County, at the Court House in Tarboro', on the 1st Monday in August next, then and there to reply and plead to the writ, and to show by what means he was seized of the property attached, and to be condemned subject to the plaintiff's recovery. Witness, JOHN NORFLEET, Clerk of our said Court, at office, the fourth day of May, A. D. 1841. J. W. NORFLEET, Ck.

Notice. LOST, or mislaid, a Note of Hand payable to Barts & Horne, and endorsed by John R. Horne, for four dollars and some cents, given by Geraldus Shubly, and dated sometime in 1839. All persons are cautioned against trading for said note, and any information respecting it will be thankfully received. GEO. HOWARD. Tarboro', June 3, 1841.

NEW GOODS, Cheaper than ever at the WELL KNOWN CHEAP CASH STORE. James Weddell & Co. RESPECTFULLY invite their numerous customers and the public, to a early examination of their present assortment of Spring and Summer GOODS, Comprising the largest, most splendid, and beyond all comparison, Cheapest Stock of neat, tasty, and fashionable Goods. Ever offered in Tarboro', and they only ask of those in want of Goods, to call and examine their stock and learn their prices before purchasing. Tarboro', May 12, 1841.

Notice. THE following Tracts of Land will be sold at the Court House door in the town of Wadesborough, on the second Monday in June next, for the tax due for the year 1839:— One tract belonging to John Taylor's heirs, said to be 100—80 acres, valued at 100—80 dollars; tax 38 cents. It is being bought by Murren Manning. One tract belonging to Henry Ralls, said to be 50 acres, valued at 100 dollars; tax 20 cents. It is being bought by Billy Brown. One tract belonging to Crisp Martin, said to be 50 acres, valued at 100 dollars; tax 20 cents. It is being bought by J. M. Drury Toole. One tract belonging to Charlotte Leggett, on my list 30 acres, valued at 50 dollars; tax 10 cents. It is being bought by Arnold Whitfield. ARNOLD WHITFIELD. Martin county, 28 April, 1841.