

letter which he had received from the Secretary of State of the United States, with four facsimiles of the original Declaration of Independence, for the use of this state.

On motion, *resolved*, that the Secretary of State be authorised and directed to cause suitable frames to be made, and the facsimiles of the original Declaration of Independence placed therein; and that he dispose of them agreeably to the resolution of Congress accompanying the Governor's Message.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the Whole, Mr. Scott in the Chair, on the bill to establish a Bank of the State of North-Carolina; and after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman of the committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again. The report was concurred in.



**HALIFAX:**

FRIDAY, DEC. 17, 1824.

*The office of the "Free Press" is removed to a more central situation on Main-street, between the Bank and Mr. Wm. M. Deford's store.*

We are authorised to announce THO'S BURGESS, Esq. as a candidate to represent this district in the present Congress, in the place of H. G. Burton, Esq. elected Governor.

**Election.**—Thursday, the 6th January next, is the time appointed for electing a representative to the Congress of the U. S. from this district, to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the Hon. H. G. Burton, Esq.

**DIVINE SERVICE.**—The Rev. W. Q. Beattie will preach at Daniel's Meeting-house, on Friday, 24th inst.—at Halifax, on Saturday, 25th inst.—and at Quanky Chapel, on Sunday, 26th inst.

**Presidential.**—The following, according to the returns and other information received, exhibits the number of votes which have been received by each of the Presidential candidates in the Electoral Colleges:

	Ja.	Ad.	Cr.	Cl.
Maine, - - - - -	9			
New-Hampshire, -	8			
Vermont, - - - -	7			
Massachusetts, -	15			
Rhode-Island, -	4			
Connecticut, - -	8			
New-York, - - -	1	26	5	4
New-Jersey, - -	8			
Pennsylvania, -	28			
Delaware, - - -	1	2		
Maryland, - - -	7	3	1	
Virginia, - - - -				24
North-Carolina, -	15			
South-Carolina, -	11			
Georgia, - - - -		9		
Alabama, - - - -	5			
Louisiana, - - -	5			
Mississippi, - -	3			
Tennessee, - - -	11			
Kentucky, - - -			14	
Ohio, - - - - -			15	
Indiana, - - - -	5			
Illinois, - - - -	2	1		
Missouri, - - -				3
Total, 101	82	41	37	

If the above statement should prove correct, which can scarcely be doubted, Jackson, Adams, and Crawford must be returned

to the House of Representatives, and the members, voting by States, must determine who shall be our next President. If Clay should obtain the vote of Louisiana, and rumors to that effect have recently prevailed, he will be returned to the House in place of Mr. Crawford. It is generally believed that John C. Calhoun, will be elected Vice-President by the Electoral Colleges.

**Ruleigh, Dec. 10.**—On Tuesday last, HURCHINS G. BURTON, Esq. qualified as Governor of this State, in the presence of the members of both Houses of the Legislature and a large assembly of strangers and citizens. After the oaths of office had been administered by Chief Justice TAYLOR, the Governor addressed the Legislature as follows:

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Commons:

I take it for granted, that the only acceptable return which can be made, to a free, independent, and enlightened Legislature, for the late mark of their confidence, would be a faithful discharge of the various duties which may devolve upon the Chief Magistrate of the State. I will not therefore consume your time in making professions, which may never be realized, and more especially as your session is somewhat advanced, and you have much business to be disposed of before its close. No man can be more sensible of his imperfections and deficiencies than I am. And I have but little doubt of having, often to appeal to your good feeling, to view with a friendly eye, the many errors which may be committed by me—but be assured, they shall be of the head, and not of the heart. At the same time, there is something consoling in the reflection, that having been placed in this situation by your suffrages, I have a just claim to the advice and assistance of this enlightened body.

I hope to be found ever willing to lend my feeble aid, in the promotion and execution of such measures, as have for their object the safety, the happiness, and prosperity of the people of North-Carolina.

**Internal Improvements.**—We congratulate our readers on the prospect which the Report of the Board for Internal Improvement holds out (and which is confirmed by the Memorial which has lately been presented to our Legislature from Fayetteville) of not only a good and permanent navigation for steamboats and other craft, between Fayetteville and Wilmington, but that the flats below Wilmington will be so much removed as that vessels from sea will come in and go out of the port without being any longer subject to the delay and expense of lighterage, which has heretofore been so great an injury to the trade of that place.

When the Report of the Board and this Memorial shall have been duly considered by the Legislature, we trust we shall hear no more of attempts to put down the Board of Internal Improvements, or to remove the Civil Engineer, under whose direction and superintendence the works in question have been conducted. Indeed, setting aside the great disadvantages which would result to the public from such a course, the Cape Fear Navigation Company would have good ground to complain of a breach of faith on the part of the state, having consented to reduce the value of their stock one-half, in consideration that the State had subscribed \$25,000 to their stock and directed the work of opening the river below Fayetteville to be effected by the Board of Internal Improvement and the Engineer of the State.

The works both at the Flats and on the river have so far progressed as to convince every one who has seen them that they are in a fair way of being completed, and for a less sum than the estimated expense. We cannot, therefore, believe that a majority of our Legislature will, from mistaken views of economy, prevent the accomplishment of objects so very desirable to the commercial and farming interests of this part of the State.—*Ruleigh Reg.*

**Fire.**—On Thursday morning last about half past 5 o'clock, the citizens of this Town were aroused from their sleep by the awful cry of Fire, which was found to proceed from the lower room in the Eastern apartment of the Jail, in which were confined two runaway Slaves, named *George* and *Violet*, the former belonging to Robert Jones, of Halifax county, and the latter to Daniel Jones, of S. Carolina. The alarm was given by the prisoners, who were surrounded by the flames, and nearly suffocated with smoke before the door could be gotten open. They were, however, providentially rescued from the devouring flames unhurt, and are now in safe custody. There is no doubt, (in fact the woman admits it) that the prisoners set the jail on fire for the purpose of effecting their escape; as the fire was found to issue from the room in which they were confined.—*Edenton Gaz. Dec. 7.*

**Infanticide.**—On the 1st inst. the body of a new-born white infant was found inhumanly exposed in one of the streets of Norfolk, Va. without any clothing. From a bruise on the temple, it was evident that it had been murdered. When discovered little remained of the frame but the head and part of the neck, it having been dreadfully torn and lacerated, as supposed, by dogs or hogs.

It is said that the expectation of a general turn out in the public offices at Washington, in the event of general Jackson's election to the presidency, has put most of the young clerks in a terrible pudder. They have such an aversion to *hickory*, that they are said to be kept in a continual fret by its crackling on the fire, and d—n the porters for not burning another sort of wood.—*Alexandria Herald.*

#### Price Current.

DEC. 10.	Peters'g.	Norfolk.
Bacon, - - - -	7 to 7 1/2	8 to 8 1/2
Brandy, Apple, -	31	50 34 46
— Peach, - - -	60	64 44 61
— Cogniac, - - -	130	196 110 136
Corn, - - - - -	175	200 164 167
Cotton, - - - -	12	13 13 14
Coffee, - - - -	18	25 19
Flour, superfine, -	500	
— family, - - -	600	700
Gin, Holland, - -	90	100 99 106
— American, - -	39	40 39 41
Iron, per ton, - -	\$86	100 90 96
Molasses, - - -	30	34 33 31
Rum, Jamaica, - -	130	180 90 96
— Antigua, - - -	76	100 64 71
— New-Eng. - - -	37 1/2	40 36 37
Sugar, brown, - -	9	13 8 13
— loaf, - - - -	15	23 14 19
Salt, loose, - - -	75	87 66 60
— sack, - - - -	275	300 303
Tea, Y'g Hyson, -	110	119 110 116
— Imperial, - - -	150	160 146 146
Tobacco, - - - -	\$3	10 3 8
Wheat, - - - -	87 1/2	90 83 93
Whiskey, - - - -	33	36 30 31

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Dec. 10, 1824. 39-41

#### Shady Grove Academy, WARREN COUNTY.

THE Examination of the Students of this Institution closed on the 9th Instant.

The Subscribers return thanks to the public for the liberal share of patronage they have hitherto received, and inform that the Male Department of their Institution is dissolved.—Only small Boys under the age of ten years will be admitted. Having enlarged their buildings, they will be prepared to receive a larger number of Young Ladies, but no more will be admitted than can be well accommodated. The Music Department will be under the direction of Mr. John F. Gonerke.

The exercises will be resumed on the first Monday in January, 1825.

The advantages afforded in this Institution will be equal to any in the Southern country.

Price of Board and Tuition as usual viz. \$50 per Session, payable in advance.

Thomas Cottrell & Son.  
Nov. 12.

#### Vine Hill Academy.

I AM authorised by the Trustees of VINE HILL ACADEMY, to employ a teacher qualified to instruct in reading, writing arithmetic, English grammar and geography.

DAVID CLARK.  
Scotland Neck, Nov. 30. 37-4f

#### Masonic Notice.

A GENERAL MEETING of the members of *Royal White Hart Lodge, No. 2*, and of *Roanoke Chapter, No. 4*, is requested at the Masonic-hall, in the town of Halifax, on Monday, the 27th inst. at 10 o'clock, A. M. for the purpose of celebrating the Anniversary of St. John the Evangelist. The fraternity generally are respectfully invited to attend and partake of the festivities of the day. Preaching may be expected that day in the church, by the Rev. Bro. W. J. Newborn.

By order,  
S. M. Johnston, Sec'y.  
Halifax, 8th Dec. 38-3t

#### NOTICE.

ON Thursday, the 30th of this month, (December,) if fair, if not, the next fair day thereafter, will be sold at the Dwelling-house of the late JOHN FAULCON, deceased, of Warren county, all the perishable estate of said decedant, consisting of—

A valuable stock of Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, plantation utensils, household and kitchen furniture, a Gig, Waggon, &c. &c. also, a large quantity of Corn, Wheat and Oats.

TERMS—for all sums of ten dollars and less, Cash—for all sums above ten dollars, twelve months credit, the purchaser giving bond with approved security before the property is delivered.

At the same time and place will be hired out for twelve months, all the NEGROES belonging to said estate—among them are many likely men and boys, and two good blacksmiths. The plantation will be rented for the same term.

Notice is also given, that I shall on the first day of January next, proceed to sell on the above terms, all the perishable part of the estate of decedant at the HAW-TREE PLANTATION, consisting of Horses, Cattle, Hogs and Sheep, plantation utensils, crop of Corn, Wheat, Oats, Fodder, &c. &c. The sale will continue from day to day until all is sold.

Jesse N. Faulcon, Adm'r.  
Dec. 1, 1824. 38-3t

#### BRADFORD'S Female Academy, Three miles from Enfield.

THE Exercises of this School will be resumed on the third Monday in January next, under the care of Mrs. MARIA ROBINSON. The year will be divided into two sessions of five months each—Board and Tuition, forty-two dollars and fifty cents per session—quills, ink, &c. included—each boarder furnishing her own towels. Twenty dollars will be demanded of each boarder in advance, or a note for the session, as no deduction will be made for time lost through negligence. Parents and guardians are requested to be punctual. All the branches of an English education will be taught. Strict attention will be paid to the morals and education of those who may be placed under our care, and every attention necessary for health or comfort. Twenty boarders can be accommodated.

HENRY BRADFORD.  
Halifax County, N. C. } 38 3t  
Dec'r 4th, 1824. }

#### Hyde Park Academy. (PRIVATE.)

THE undersigned, having taken the whole of the buildings and premises at Hyde Park under his immediate superintendence and control, intends to open his ACADEMY again on the 2d Monday in January next, for the instruction of young gentlemen in the following branches of general education, viz:

- I. Rudiments of the Latin, Greek, and French languages.
- II. Geography, including the nature and use of the Globes, with their application to the solution of Geographical and Astronomical Problems.
- III. The Mathematicks, viz: The higher branches of Arithmetick, Caldwell's Geometry. Plane and Spherical Trigonometry and Geometry, with their application to the purposes of Astronomy and Navigation. The Mensuration of heights, distances, surfaces, and solids: including Rectangular Surveying, or the method of determining the area of right lined figures, universally or by calculation.
- IV. Natural or Experimental Philosophy, including Astronomy.
- V. Chronology and General History.
- VI. English Grammar, Rhetoric, and Belles Lettres.

In carrying the above plan into execution, the first object of the undersigned, shall be, to qualify his students for an entrance on the establishment of the University of the State, or of any other literary institution in this country. His second, to adopt and firmly adhere to such a mode of government and instruction, as shall secure improvement in science, regularity of conduct, and decency of behaviour, on the part of all who may be committed to his care.

The site of the Academy possesses the advantages of pure water and wholesome air; and being in the centre of a populous neighborhood, board can be obtained on reasonable terms, either with the undersigned himself, or under his recommendation, with decent and respectable families in the vicinity.

The year will be divided into two sessions—the first to commence on the 10th of January, and end on the 22d of June. The second, to commence on the 10th of July, and end on the 15th of November. The price of Board and Tuition with the undersigned, (bedding excepted,) will be FIFTY-THREE DOLLARS the session—to be paid in advance.

Should circumstances render it necessary, an Assistant will be employed, properly qualified for the instruction of little boys, in the rudiments of education and the minor classics. Communications by mail or otherwise shall meet with prompt attention.

W. E. WEBB.  
Nov. 30, 1824. 37-6t

Blank Warrants for sale