

was referred the bill providing a fund and plan for the education of the youth of the poor in the different counties of this state, returned the same; which was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Alston presented a bill to legitimize Harriott Coleman, of Halifax county; which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The House proceeded to the order of the day, and took up the bill to establish a Bank of the State of North-Carolina. Mr. Stewart moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed; and, after considerable debate, the House adjourned.

**Tuesday, Dec. 14.**

On motion of Mr. J. Bynum, who voted in the majority on the rejection of the bill to repeal part of the 1st and 2d sections of the act of 1823, entitled "An act to amend the laws making provision for widows," the said vote was reconsidered, and the bill was then laid on the table.

The House proceeded to the order of the day, and resumed the consideration of the bill establishing a Bank of the State of North-Carolina. The question of indefinite postponement recurring, it was, after considerable debate, determined in the affirmative—yeas 69, nays 60. [The members from Halifax voted—J. A. Bynum for the indefinite postponement; W. Alston and R. B. Daniel against it.]

**Wednesday, Dec. 15.**

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill in relation to the Civil Engineer; and, after some time spent therein, the Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again.



## HALIFAX:

FRIDAY, DEC. 24, 1824.

**President's Message.**—The extraordinary length of this important document, has compelled us to divide it in a manner suitable to our limited columns. We will endeavor to conclude it in our next paper.

**Presidential.**—A letter per the *Levinia*, from New-Orleans, received at New-York, states that Gen. Jackson received the electoral votes of that state on the 22d ult. consequently Mr. Crawford will be returned to the House of Representatives to the exclusion of Mr. Clay. The votes in the Electoral Colleges, as now correctly ascertained, is as follows:

For Gen. Jackson,	101
J. Q. Adams,	82
Wm. H. Crawford,	41
Henry Clay,	37

John C. Cathoun has received about 170 votes for the Vice-Presidency, and of course is elected to that office. The votes for President and Vice-President will be opened and read in Congress on the 9th day of February next; and, as there will be no election of President by the people, the House of R. is required by the Constitution, immediately to choose by ballot from the three highest on the list; a majority of the 24 states, each state having one vote, will be necessary to a choice. On the first balloting, if one candidate does not receive a majority of the whole, the one receiving the smallest number of votes is withdrawn; should there be no choice previous to the 5th of

March, the Vice-President elect assumes the office.

A letter from this city, says the National Intelligencer, published in the New-York Commercial Advertiser, gives the following view of the state of things at Washington, in reference to the Presidential Election, which we should say is not far wide of the fact: "There does not appear so much excitement among the Members of Congress on the subject of the approaching election of President, as a reader of our various newspapers would be led to expect. All whom I have heard speak on the subject, express regret at being called to make the choice; and from what I have observed thus far, I am led to believe that the affair will be conducted with much more quietness and composure than most people anticipated."

**Lafayette.**—There is yet some uncertainty, (says the Raleigh Register of Friday last,) as to the time Gen. Lafayette will make his visit to this part of the country. A letter received from Washington City yesterday, speaks of his intention of immediately setting out on his Southern Tour. A day or two will ascertain the fact beyond doubt.

**Congress.**—The Journals of the two Houses, to the latest date received, contain nothing of particular interest. Certain alterations with respect to the mode of disposing of the public Lands—claims of indemnity for losses sustained during the late war, and propositions relative to the Indians—constitute the principal subjects, which, during the last week, occupied the attention of Congress. The Report of the *La Fayette Committee*, is looked for with great solicitude by the public.

**Petersburg Int.**

**Petersburg Theatre.**—This elegant Building, which cost the original subscribers about \$25,000, was sold on Saturday last under a decree of the Court of Chancery, for \$2750. We understand that it was purchased by a company, and that probably it will still remain devoted to the same elegant and rational amusement for the revival of which in our Borough it was first established.—*ib.*

**Good effects of improved navigation.**—In consequence of the arrival of two ships at Wilmington to load with cargoes for Liverpool, cotton has risen 13 cents per pound. There are orders in town for a large quantity, so that there is no doubt but it will continue to be in brisk demand.

**Fayetteville Obs.**

**Washington, Dec. 14.**—It will be recollected that, at the last Session of Congress, a loan of Five Millions of Dollars, at an interest of four and a half per cent. was authorized to be raised to be applied to the payment of the six per cent. stock of the year 1812. This loan was yesterday taken by the Bank of the United States, at par. By this operation, a clear saving to the United States is effected of 75,000 dollars a year.

**Nat. Int.**

New-York, Dec. 6.

**Prison doors Unbarred.**—On Saturday there was but one solitary prisoner remaining in the Debtors Prison in this city; and yesterday, an exertion was made in his behalf with such success, that the prison was entirely emptied, for the first time as we are informed for twenty seven years. Such an event is

creditable to New York; and to show that bars and bolts had for once lost their use, and the goaler's vocation been suspended, the gates were placed ajar, and the doors left open during the day.—*Daily Adv.*

**Road to Columbia River.**—The St. Louis Enquirer, of the 28th ult. says, by the arrival of Maj. Henry, from the Rocky Mountains, we learn that his party have discovered a passage by which loaded wagons can, at this time, reach the navigable waters of the Columbia River. This route lies south of the one explored by Lewis and Clark, and is inhabited by Indians friendly to us.

**Western Commerce.**—Twenty-four steam-boats are now ready for launching between Louisville and Pittsburg, all intended for the lower trade—which will make forty-eight hundred tons of steam snipping. The Editor of the Louisville Morning Post, in announcing this fact as a proof of the rising importance of that place, observes—"The facilities we possess of cultivating a trade with the new governments on the gulf, and along the southern Atlantic, cannot have escaped them. Were we to indulge ourselves with the anticipation of an Asiatic trade through the Missouri and the Columbia, we might be charged with a wildness of enthusiasm, which we frequently incurred in predicting the extension of the effects of steam navigation. Yet we do not entertain a solitary doubt, that the present generation will yet witness the teas of Canton and the spices of the Moluccas, conveyed to us by the way of the Rocky Mountains."

**Georgia.**—The Legislature of this state have expressed their disapprobation of the resolutions of the state of Ohio, proposing the emancipation of slaves, passed 17th Jan. 1824, with this declaratory position on the part of the Legislature: that "Georgia claims the right with her Southern sisters, whose situation in this regard is similar, of moving this question when an enlarged system of benevolent and plian anthropic exertions, in consistency with her rights and interests shall render it practicable."

**South-Carolina.**—In the Senate of this state, a series of resolutions were introduced on the 4th inst. relative to a proposition from Georgia for amending the Constitution of the U. S. protesting "against the claims of right, of the United States to interfere, in any manner whatever, with the domestic regulations and preservative measures in respect to that part of her property which forms the colored population of the state; and which property they will not permit to be meddled with, or tampered with, or in any manner ordered, regulated, or controlled, by any other power, foreign or domestic, than this Legislature."

**Illinois.**—John M'Lean, of Shawneetown, has been elected by the Legislature of Illinois, a Senator from that state in Congress, to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Ninian Edwards. Mr. M'Lean, it is said, had a majority of 10 votes over Mr. Edwards, who was a candidate for re-election to that office.

**Kentucky.**—Mr. Isaac DeSha, son of the Governor of Kentucky, has been apprehend-

ed on suspicion of having murdered Francis Baker, Esq. late editor of the Natchez Mississippian.

A fracas took place lately in Louisville, between Mr. Southard and Mr. Wm. Steele, merchants of that place, in which Mr. Steele was stabbed in the breast, and died instantly.

**Botheration.**—Two *National Advocates* are now printed in the city of New York.—Mr. Noah having been ejected from the old office, which has been transferred to a Mr. Snowden, has commenced a new paper under the same title, and promises to "lay on and spare not" certain bank directors, speculators, &c. As yet, his shafts appear to be directed at Henry Eckford, a rich ship builder, and Jacob Barker, of banking memory.

**Hayti.**—The National Gazette furnishes the following Consular notice, copied from the Port-au-Prince *Feuille du Commerce*, which it copies "in order to prevent any persons from emigrating to Hayti with the false hope that they will be able to leave it when they please?"

"United States' Agency, Port au Prince, Nov. 5.

"Official notice has been received at this office from the Government of Hayti, that the most rigorous measures will be put in force against vessels detected in the act of carrying away Haytiens, or Emigrants, from the Island; and that, in the event of the fact not being discovered until after the departure of the vessel, the consignees will be held responsible. The parties interested will please be governed accordingly.

AND'W ARMSTRONG,  
U. S. Agent.

If this order does not open the eyes of the friends of humanity in the Eastern States, who have been encouraging the late emigration to Hayti, in preference to the African Colonization Scheme, we predict that their beatific visions on this subject will soon be dispelled by stronger testimony. There is not, in the Christian world at least, from what we can learn, a more despotic government than that of Hayti. Political and religious freedom exists there in name only, and we have no question but bitter and unavailing regrets, from the moment of their landing, fill the minds of those free people of color who have emigrated from the United States, that they have suffered themselves to be seduced from a land of freedom to place themselves under the sway of a political and religious tyranny, of which they had no conception, until the prisonbolts were drawn upon them by the above order.—*Nat. Intel.*

**A Difficulty.**—No less than nineteen candidates have been presented to the legislature of Pennsylvania for the office of Senator of the United States, to supply the place of Mr. Lowrie whose term expires on the 4th of March next. We do not observe Mr. Lowrie's name among the list of candidates. Several ballotings had taken place, and no one had received more than 24 votes, so great was the difficulty of making a selection out of such an army of candidates.

**Toast.**—At the ball in Lexington, Ky. given in honour of Gen. Jackson and his lady, among other toasts given at the supper table, was the following

by President Holley: "Heroism honored by Beauty—the Roses of Peace entwined by the Laurels of Victory."

### MARRIED,

At the residence of Mrs. A. Daniel, in this county, on Tuesday last, Mr. Thomas Stone, of Hilliardston, to Miss Frances Hawkins.

### DIED,

At Enfield, on Monday, 13th inst. Thomas Bradley, aged about 45 years.

### Price Current.

DEC. 17.	Peters'g.	Norfolk.
Bacon, - - -	7 to 7½	8 to 8½
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 33 33 31	
Rum, Jamaica,	125 180 90 96	
— Antigua, -	76 100 64 71	
— New-Eng.	37½ 40 36 37	
Sugar, brown, -	9 13 8½ 13	
— loaf, - - -	15 23 14 19	
Salt, loose, - - -	75 87½ 66 60	
— sack, - - -	275 300 303	
Tea, Y'g Hyson,	110 120 110 116	
— Imperial,	150 160 146 146	
Tobacco, - - -	\$3 10 3½ 8	
Wheat, - - - - -	87½ 90 83 93	
Whiskey, - - -	33 36 30 31	

North-Carolina Bank Notes.

At Petersburg, 2 to 2½ disc.  
At Norfolk, 2 disc.

### REMOVAL.

MRS. SNEDER, milliner and mantua-maker, has removed to the house she formerly occupied on Main Cross-street, next door to Dr. Wilson's shop, and nearly opposite J. Halliday & Co.'s store. She expects to receive from Petersburg, in a few days, a general assortment of articles in her line of business.

Halifax, Dec. 18.

### NOTICE.

I SHALL offer for sale to the highest bidder on the 6th of January next, if fair, if not, the next fair day thereafter, at the house of James W. Alston, deceased, with a credit of six months, twenty likely NEGROES—consisting of men, women and children. Bond with approved security will be required.

Willis W. Alston, Adm'r.  
Nov. 28, 1824. 38-4t

The sale of Negroes, above stated, will take place on the 10th of January next, instead of the 6th. W. W. A.  
Dec. 18, 1824. 40-3t

### Union Academy.

THIS institution, at which spelling, reading, penmanship, arithmetic, English grammar, and Geography with the use of maps, are to be taught, will be open for the reception of scholars on the first Monday in March next. The situation is healthy; the building will be new, spacious, and convenient; and the Tutor, who is to superintend the school, has had six years experience in teaching at a respectable Academy in this state. His character and qualifications may be known by applying to David Clark, Wm. R. Smith, S. J. Baker, or Geo. E. Spruill.

The year will be divided into two sessions of five months each. Board in respectable families, and in the immediate neighborhood of the Academy, can be obtained at a reasonable price.

### PRICES OF TUITION.

For Spelling, Reading, Penmanship, and Arithmetic, per session, - - - - - \$5  
English Grammar and Geography, do. - - - - - 6 50

Jno. H. Purrington,  
Thomas Vaughan.

Scotland Neck, N.C. }  
Dec. 18, 1824. } 406t