

Communications.

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OBITUARY.

"If you have tears, prepare to shed them now."

Never was "the electric chain, wherewith we are darkly bound," so keenly and so sternly smote, as in the late lamented death of Mrs. MARY M. JONES; a matron the perfection of whose character neutralises the language of eulogy, and silences the voice of praise. We bow in silent reverence at mention of that venerated name, and shrink in despair from the task of delineating the virtues which adorned it; yet a heart, that has long known and felt the soothing influence of those virtues, whose darkest and dreariest shades have often been relieved by the halo that ever dwelt around her spirit, would fain seek in the expression of its sorrow, a temporary refuge from the grief which oppresses it. If ever the universal homage of the living, was due to the memory of departed goodness, her's cannot fail to command all hearts, that breathe and beat within that sphere, in which her genius moved and shone. The spirit of an angel clothed with the habiliments of mortality, she seemed a link between the frail creatures of earth, and beings of superior bourne. "Her's was one of those heads which Guido has often painted; mild, pale, penetrating—free from all commonplace ideas, of fat, contented ignorance, looking downwards on the earth: it looked forwards; but look'd, as if it look'd at something beyond this world." The dew of heaven, was not more kindly to the withering grass, than was her presence to the parched and wearied heart; her home, like a fairy region, where all the harsh and stormy passions of the world were silenced, furnished a resting place to the soul; all that we know and can conceive of hospitality, was there dispensed, with a heart whose philanthropy knew no bounds, and "a hand open as day to melting charity." But she is gone—her voice will never again welcome the coming guest, nor her hand relieve the sufferings of the needy; the brightest and the mildest star in our moral firmament, has set forever. I stood beside her aged and exhausted form, a few hours after "the spirit was not there"—how different the attitude, from that in which I had recently before observed it; then moving majestically along the current of life, attended by all its graces, and dispensing all its blessings; and now lying "in cold obstruction." I never beheld a face, so intelligent and serene in death; it wore to the last those felicitous traits of expression, which illumined it when living—

"On life itself she was so still and fair,
That death with gentler aspect with-
er'd there;
As if she scarcely felt, but feign'd
a sleep,
And made it almost mockery yet
to weep.
He who hath bent him o'er the dead
Ere the first day of death is fled,
'The first dark day of nothingness,
The last of danger and distress,
(Before decay's effacing fingers
Have swept the lines where beauty
lingers.)
And mark'd the mild angelic air,
The rapture of repose that's there,
And fix'd yet tender traits that
streak
The languor of the placid cheek,

Some moments, ay, one treacherous hour,
He still might doubt the tyrant's power;
So fair, so calm, so softly seal'd,
The first, last look by death reveal'd;
Expression's last receding ray,
A gilded halo hovering round decay,
The farewell beam of feeling past away!"

I gazed upon that aspect without alarm, for I read in its attitude the moral of her life, and almost fancied that I still communed with an animated being; but for the sad and shrouded eye, I yet had doubted whether her spirit had flown—

"Oh! o'er the eye death most exerts his might,
And hurls the spirit from her throne of light!"

Sainted spirit! fare thee well—
"there have been tears and bursting hearts for thee;" and mine, though riven with its own afflictions, hath bled, and would have died for thee—

"Farewell! a word that must be, and hath been—
A sound which makes us linger;— yet farewell!"

"From lisping infancy, to stooping age," all praise and pray for thee, "beloved while living, and revered now gone."

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"An honest man's the noblest work of God."

So frail and so feeble is the organisation of man, his march through life liable to be obstructed by such a variety of casualties, that in the ordinary occurrences of mortality, when death lays low the undistinguished and the ignoble, the event is regarded neither with sympathy nor surprise; but when the grim and surly monster, strikes down a being of superior order; when his cold and icy fingers are placed upon a heart, in which the noblest and best affections of humanity glow and harmonise to ecstasy; when under the influence of his palsying touch, such a heart languishes and dissolves, we all feel, deeply feel, and respond to the stroke. Such was the catastrophe, in the late dissolution of our worthy and beloved fellow-citizen, JACOB S. ALBROOK; a man whose character claimed and received the homage of all hearts; whose "life was gentle, and the elements so mixed in him, that Nature might stand up and say to all the world, that was a man"—he was no splendid and commanding genius, but the softer and the kindlier virtues were his, and of him it may be truly said, he lived without reproach, and died without a fault. If the tears of friendship, and the prayers of virtue, could again call him into existence, Albbrook would not now lie mingled with the dust, a lifeless lump of clay; but death has fixed on him his unrelenting grasp, and "we who knew him yesterday, shall know him no more."

"Like the dew on the mountain,
Like the foam on the river,
Like the bubble on the fountain,
He is gone, and forever."

Peace to thy mild and generous spirit; angels will visit the scene of thy repose, and if aught divine can weep, will hallow the spot with their tears."

Farewell! if ever fondest prayer,
For other's weal avail'd on high,
Mine will not all be lost in air,
But waft thy name beyond the sky.
"I were vain to speak, to weep, to sigh,
O! more than tears of blood can tell,
When wrung from guilt's expiring eye,
Are in that word, farewell! farewell!!!"

Foreign

The European advices by the ship *Isaac Hicks*, arrived at New-York, four days later than previous accounts, furnish nothing favorable to Cotton—but represent the Liverpool Market as extremely dull. The following item of political news relative to Greece may be considered the only one to which importance attaches:

It is stated in the Paris Etoile of the 14th of July, but upon what authority does not appear, that after the taking of Navarino, a division of the Egyptian army penetrated into the country, and gained some advantages over the Greeks but being surprised in a defile by Colocotroni, it was defeated and repulsed in disorder towards Modon. It is also stated, in the same paper, that "a Commissioner of the Greek Government has been sent to Tino. His mission was to call a General Assembly of the inhabitants, for the choice of a Deputy, who should go to Napoli di Romania to declare their wishes for the election of a King of Greece. It is added that the object of the intended National Congress is to request the Cabinets of Paris and London to point out a Prince of Europe to govern Greece." A letter from Napoli di Romania, in the Constitutional states, that "an Austrian squadron arrived at that port in the beginning of May, with an officer of rank on a mission of great importance to the Greek Government. It is understood, from what had transpired, that the object of this mission was to induce the Greeks to establish a Monarchical form of government, and give the sovereignty to Prince Gustavson, the son of the deposed King of Sweden. This proposition was made as the result of the negotiations between Russia and Austria concerning Greece. Prince Gustavson, who was last year in England, is now residing in the grand Duchy of Baden." We can hardly suppose that any credit is to be attached to the latter part of this account. As to the former, news to the same effect has reached us before; but how true it is, must depend upon advices yet to follow.

The army of Redschid Pacha, in front of Missolonghi, was suffering severely for want of provisions, and a Greek squadron of six ships of war, and five fire ships, had arrived to prevent him from receiving any supplies by sea. Gen. Goura has put to death the Turkish garrison of Solona 6,000 in number, because he found they had, contrary to promise, massacred all the Greeks on entering that place. The Turks had surrendered on capitulation, which Goura revoked on that ground.

The Catalan papers state, that the Captain Pacha had succeeded in joining the Egyptian squadron of Hassan Bey, and in pursuance of the Sultan's orders, had assumed the chief command of the combined fleets. The Greek Admirals Miaulis and Sachtouris were blockading them in Suda. In a recent attack, five Turkish vessels were burned.

Since the capitulation of Navarino, Ibrahim Pacha has been wholly inactive, with the exception of a few excursions made by his cavalry. The Greeks are concentrating their forces and preparing confidently for the great struggle that is approaching.

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HALL FARE:

FRIDAY, SEPT. 2, 1825.

There was no paper issued from this office last week—we will endeavor shortly to make up the deficiency.

We embrace the first opportunity to answer the inquiries of the Petersburg Republican, respecting the reported "fracas" on Wednesday, the day appointed for holding our town election. The report was incorrect, and it is presumed that it originated from the "affray" which took place at the County election; the following day, which we published in that week's paper. We believe it was generally apprehended that in case of the poll being opened, a similar circumstance would have occurred the preceding day.

North-Carolina Elections... General Assembly.....Wake county, Samuel Alston; Senate, Nathaniel G. Rand and Samuel Whitaker, Commons.

Greene...Jesse Speight, s. no opposition. Charles Edwards and R. H. F. Harper, c.

Wayne...Jethro Howell, s. John Wasden and Philip B. Raiford, c.

Robeson...John Gilchrist, s. without opposition. Shadrach Howell and Warren Alford, c.

Duplin...Hussey, s. Stephen Miller and B. Best, c. Franklin...Charles A. Hill, s. James Houze and Wm. T. Williams, c.

New-Hanover...Tho. Devane, s. William Watts Jones and Joseph H. Lamb, c.

Town of Wilmington...Robt. H. Cowan.

Castell...B. Yancey, s. C. D. Donoho and J. E. Lewis, c.

Chatham...R. Marsh, s. Wm. Underwood and Joseph Brooks, c.

Johnston...Reuben Sanders, s. Hillary Wilder and Kinchen Q. Adams, c.

Beaufort...J. O. K. Williams, s. Wm. A. Blount and Thomas Ellison, c.

Guilford...Jonathan Parker, s. Francis L. Simpson and Wm. Unthank, c.

Orange...Wm. Montgomery, s. John Boon and Wm. M'Cauley, c.

Town of Hillborough...John Scott.

Rockingham...Bond, s. James Barnett and Robert Martin, c.

Anson...Joseph Pickett, s. Clement Marshall and John Smith, c.

Stokes...John Hill, s. A. H. Shepperd and Wm. Carter, c.

Rockingham...Henry Baughn, s. Robt. Martin and James Barnett, c.

Surry...Henry P. Poindexter, s. Gallihu Moore and Davis Durrett, c.

Wilkes...Edmund Jones, s. Thomas W. Wilson and Nathaniel Gordan, c.

Richmond...Francis T. Leake, s. without opposition. Henry Dockery and Archibald M'Nair, c.

Sampson...Thomas Boykin,

s. D. Underwood and — Joiner, c.

Cumberland...Lauchlin Bethune, s. without opposition. Alexander Elliott and Samuel P. Ashe, c.

Town of Fayetteville...John Mathews, without opposition.

Moore...C. Dowd, s. John Murchison and — Crawford, c.

Brunswick...John C. Barker, s. John J. Gause and Alfred Moore, c.

Bladen...Mr. Melvin, s. Isaac Wright and John L. M'Millan, c.

Chowan...William Bullock, s. William Walton and Joshua Mewbern, c.

Town of Edenton...James Iredell, without opposition.

Pasquotank...John Pool, sen. s. without opposition. Thomas Bell and Wm. I. Hardy, c.

Person...R. Vanhook, s. J. G. A. Williamson and Thomas Webb, c.

Mecklenburg...Wm. Davison, s. Mathew Bain and Thos. G. Polk, c.

Rowan...Samuel Jones, s. John Clement and George Andrews, c.

Town of Salisbury...David F. Caldwell, without opposition.

Davidson...Jesse Hargrave, s. John Smith and Joseph Spurgeon, c.

Cabarrus...Lawson H. Alexander, s. Christopher Melchor and Robert Pickens, c.

Camden...Willis Wilson, s. Thomas Tillett and W. B. Webster, c.

Buncombe...Athan A. M'Dowell, s. James Weaver and David L. Swain, c.

Randolph...William Hogan, s. J. G. Hoover and Abram Brower, c.

Montgomery...James LeGrand, s.

Haywood...Thomas Love, s. Ninian Edmonston and James R. Love, c.

Rutherford...Martin Shewford, s. John Carson and J. Green, c.

Burke...James R. M'Dowell, s. Ed. Poor and Peter Ballew, c. Raleigh Star.

Congressional Election.—Having ascertained the result, in the different districts; we herewith annex a list of our Representatives in the last Congress, and of the Representatives elect to the 19th Congress. At a glance, the changes in our Representation will be perceived:

18th Congress.	19th Congress.
Alfred M. Gatlin,	Lemuel Sawyer,
George Outlaw,	Willis Alston,
Thos. H. Hall,	Richard Hines,
Rich. D. Spaight,	John H. Bryan,
W. N. Edwards,	W. N. Edwards,
Charles L. Hooks,	Gabriel Holmes,
John Culpepper,	Archib. M'Neil,
W. P. Mangum,	W. P. Mangum,
R. M. Sanders,	R. M. Sanders,
John Long,	John Long,
Henry Conner,	Henry Conner,
Robt. B. Vance,	Sam'l P. Carson,
Lewis Williams,	Lewis Williams,

Raleigh Reg.

State Restriction.—We perceive by an article in the *Charleston Courier*, that by a law of the State of S. Carolina, passed several years since, persons leaving that state are prohibited from bringing back, either by land or water any slaves or free persons of color which they may take with them, under the penalty of 500 dollars.

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MARRIED.

On the 25th ult. at the residence of Col. A. B. Whitaker, by L. H. B. Whitaker, Esq. Mr. Joel H. M'Leone to Miss E.