

er than that of human authority, will compel the Executive of the United States to enforce the laws, and fulfil the duties of the nation, by all the force committed for that purpose to his charge. That the arm of military force will be resorted to only in the failure of all other expedients provided by the laws, a pledge has been given, by the forbearance to employ it at this time. It is submitted to the wisdom of Congress to determine whether any further act of legislation may be necessary or expedient to meet the emergency which these transactions may produce."

[In the Senate the message was referred to a select committee—in the House, after a warm discussion it was laid on the table. As this session of Congress must terminate on the 4th March, it is presumed that no legislative act will be passed upon the subject this session.]

**Mr. Clinton withdrawn from the turf!**—The last N. Y. Enquirer states upon unquestionable authority, that a certain high personage would not be brought forward as a candidate for the Presidency—and that the opposition to Mr. Adams's re-election would be concentrated on Gen. Jackson.

[It is conjectured that Mr. Clinton will be run for the Vice-Presidency on the ticket with Gen. Jackson, in opposition to Messrs. Adams and Clay. This is as it should be—let the question be submitted fairly to the people, and the friends of Gen. J. will cheerfully abide their decision.]

**Washington, (N. C.) Feb. 6.**—We have to inform the Patrons to the "Washington Herald," that the paper is discontinued, and that we have rented the Establishment, and intend to publish weekly from the press, a paper under the title of "THE NEWS"—this being the first number. It is to be devoted to the dissemination of Republican principles, and the diffusion of correct information upon all subjects as may prove interesting to its readers.

[Mr. Wm. Potter, who recently conducted a paper in Greensboro' in this State, has taken possession of the above establishment, in the place of Mr. Wm. T. Yeomans, who published the "Herald." We hope the present editor may meet with better encouragement than his predecessors—we believe this is the fourth publisher of a paper from that office, in a less number of years.]

**Melancholy.**—On Friday morning last, Mr. Burrage Davenport, who resided in this county, about twelve miles west of this town, committed the desperate act of self-destruction, by shooting himself with his own rifle. He was an unmarried man, between 30 and 40 years of age; and had sustained an irreproachable character for uprightness and fair-dealing, and was in easy circumstances. It is difficult to account for his rash determination to destroy his life, unless it be attributed to a settled melancholy, which is supposed to have for some time preyed upon his mind.

*Salisbury Car.*

**Divorces.**—The Raleigh Register has the following remarks on a recent application to the Legislature for a divorce:

"Facts appeared in one of the cases which spoke loudly against granting divorces on ex parte evidence, as they are generally granted by the Legislature. A husband had prayed to be divorced from his wife, charging her, on the oath of a pretended eye-witness, of the grossest violations of her marriage vow; a member of the House desiring to satisfy himself farther in the case, and wishing to give an opportunity to the wife to make any defence she might have, wrote to her brother, whom he knew, on the subject, which immediately produced eleven affidavits from respectable persons, proving that the wife was as modest and virtuous a woman as any in the country, and that the cause of unhappiness in the family had arisen from the improper conduct of the husband, and that his wife was blameless!"

**Lotteries.**—Mr. Chastian Clarke has obtained a judgment in the Supreme Court of the U. S. against the Corporation of Washington City, for his \$100,000 prize, payment of which was not made in consequence of the elopement of D. Gillespie, the lottery manager. The loss which the City will thus have sustained by the failure of the contractor for the lottery, will amount, it is supposed to \$150,000.

**A Cormorant.**—We last week saw a very singular species of duck, which was killed in Lumber river, near Lumberton, within whose mouth, upon a slight examination, the tail-fin of a fish was discovered, and with a little exertion, a trout was extracted measuring 11 inches in length, 6 7-8 in circumference, and weighing 9 5-6 ounces. The duck then weighed 3 1-2 pounds.—*Fayetteville Obs.*

**Aufol.**—Captain Rush, of Montgomery county, was burnt to death in his own house, a short time since. He was alone, and had lain down before the fire, which it is supposed, communicated to his clothes.—*Fay. Jour.*

**Church and State.**—It is a circumstance of rather curious coincidence, that, on the same day of last week, the popular branches of the Legislatures of the states of Virginia and Maryland should each have been engaged in expelling one of their members, for the same cause, and that the vote against the expulsion should in each case, have been just two, against the otherwise unanimous vote of the two Houses. The ground of expulsion was that the expelled members were ministers of the Gospel, who are, by the Constitution of each state, disqualified from being members of the Legislature. The name of the Virginia member expelled is Bil-lups; that of the Maryland member, Rauleigh.—*Nat. Int.*

**Cruelty.**—The Newark (N. J.) Eagle, mentions the trial of a man and his wife by the name of Brown, at the late Quarter Sessions of Essex county, for cruelty to a poor

negro child, in exposing it to the inclemency of the winter of 1825, being compelled to go into the fields and to do other out-door work, without shoes or stockings through snow and ice. The child's feet were soon frozen, and so far neglected by these inhuman persons, that they ultimately both came off at the ankle joints! The man was acquitted, the woman brought in guilty. Sentence had not been passed by the Court.

[Where were the members of the Abolition, Manumission, and Colonization Societies, who are so much concerned about the treatment of the blacks in the South!]

**Virginia.**—An election for Governor, to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of John Tyler, Esq. took place in the Legislature of Virginia, on Saturday last. The votes were, for Wm. B. Giles 107; Hugh Nelson 62, John Floyd 37, Scattering 4. Mr. Giles having a majority of the votes, was declared duly elected Governor of Virginia for one year from the 4th March next.

**Taxing Bachelors.**—A bill has been introduced into the Legislature of New-York, imposing a tax of not less than \$2 and not exceeding \$20, on all bachelors between the ages of 30 and 45, and repealing the law imposing a tax on dogs. We think this a very impolitic change—of the two animals, the bachelors are certainly most harmless, for however inclined they may be to snarl, but few of them will bite.

**Foreign.**—By the arrival of the packets Canada and Leeds, London papers to the 1st, and Liverpool to the 3d ult. have been received at New-York. By the extracts given, it is almost reduced to a certainty, that the peace of Europe will not be disturbed by the movements in Portugal. Cotton was somewhat brisker in the Liverpool market, but no advance in the prices.

The address to the Peers of France by the Baron de Damas, minister of foreign affairs, expressly admits the right of England to take the part she has in the affairs of Portugal, and expresses the acquiescence of France in her views on this subject. Prussia and Austria are in like manner said to have concurred in the proceedings of England; and the London Courier states, that Spain herself has declared her readiness to renew her ancient relations with the existing Portuguese government.

Letters from Pera state, that the steps taken by the Ambassadors of the great powers to terminate the affairs of Greece, begin to be so active as to give a hope that this important negotiation will end satisfactorily. Nothing had been heard of the Egyptian fleet. Ibrahim, who had entrenched himself at Tripolitza, was exposed to the greatest distress by his policy of ruining the harvests. The Greeks also suffered. Fifteen cargoes of provisions had been forwarded from Ancona to the Greeks, at the expense of the French and Swiss consuls.

A Frankfort letter says that merchants' letters from Vienna,

had brought news of the conclusion of peace between Russia and Persia, by the mediation of England.

**From Colombia.**—An arrival at Philadelphia, brings advices from La Guayra to the 7th ult. Bolivar had arrived at Valencia, and on the 2d ult. issued a Decree, declaring that he is authorized by the people to exert extraordinary powers for the salvation of the country; and that the general in chief J. A. Paez, shall continue to hold civil and military command under the name of high or superior chief of Venezuela. On the same day Paez submitted to the decree and accepted the office.

**MARRIED,**

"Happy pair,  
None but the brave deserve the fair."  
In this county, on Thursday last, by Dan'l Hopkins, Esq. Mr. Joseph Phippen, an officer of the Revolution, aged 73, to Mrs. Temperance Lee, aged 43.  
(COMMUNICATED.)

In Halifax county, on Sunday evening last, by Valentine Bailey, Esq. Mr. Benjamin Johnson, tailor, (formerly of Tarboro'), to Miss Letitia Read, of said county.

O, may her charms his amorous soul bewitch,  
While he broadcloths, &c. does be-stitch;  
May he, we pray, find a constant use,  
For his sleeve-board, needle, and red-hot  
goose.  
May he be blest, (may he be happy,)  
With babes twice six to whimper papa;  
May both as long as Tantrabogus live,  
And whate'er they ask may Jehovah give;  
May they thro' life "the one thing needful"  
have,  
And at last drop anchor in a quiet grave.

**Price Current**

|                   | FEB. 2. | per   | Peters'g | N. York  |
|-------------------|---------|-------|----------|----------|
| Bacon, - - -      | lb      | 7     | 8        | 8 10     |
| Brandy, - - -     | gal.    | 75    | 100      |          |
| Corn, - - -       | bu'h    | 65    | 80       | 60       |
| Cotton, - - -     | lb      | 8     | 10 1/2   | 9 10 1/2 |
| Coffee, - - -     | -       | 17    | 19       | 13 16    |
| Flour, family, -  | bb'l    | 600   | 700      | 525 600  |
| Iron, - - -       | ton     | \$105 | 112      | \$90 100 |
| Molasses, - - -   | gal     | 35    | 40       | 27 33    |
| Rum, New-Eng.     | -       | 42    | 45       | 35 38    |
| Sugar, brown, -   | lb      | 8 1/2 | 12 1/2   | 7 10     |
| leaf, - - -       | -       | 18    | 25       | 17 19    |
| Tea, Young Hyson, | -       | 100   | 112      | 75 107   |
| Imperial, - - -   | -       | 150   | 175      | 110 135  |
| Wheat, - - -      | bu'l    | 90    | 100      | 92 95    |
| Whiskey, - - -    | gal.    | 40    | 45       | 33 35    |

*North-Carolina Bank Notes.*

At Petersburg, 2 1/2 to 3 discount.  
At New-York, 3 discount.

**Religious Notice.**

A MEETING of the ROANOKE UNION SOCIETY, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, will commence at Whitaker's Chapel, on the first Thursday in March next, and continue FOUR DAYS; the two first days will be taken up in business of the Society, the two last days will be appropriated to public preaching, the administration of the Ordinances, &c.

All persons friendly to a reform in the government of the Methodist Episcopal Church are requested to attend, as there will be business of great importance before the Society; that of forming a Convention, the time and place of meeting of said Convention, &c. &c.

For the information of those who are ignorant of our views, I will merely state that we wish to bring about a reform in our Church government; so as to obtain an equal representation among the local preachers and the laity in the law-making department, &c. with the itinerant preachers; who at this time, with the Bishops and Presiding Elders have, and do exercise all the legislative power in said Church.

**EXUM LEWIS,**

President Roanoke U. S. M. E. C.

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[We dont wish or intend to leave the Church; but wish a reform brought about in a friendly manner for the promotion of Christ's kingdom, and the better to unite his members.]