



Tarborough,

FRIDAY, MAY 7, 1829.

Town Officers.—On Monday last, Dr. Ephraim Dicken was elected Magistrate of Police, and Messrs. Benj. M. Jackson, D. Richards, Theo. Parker, Lewis Bond, and Jos. R. Lloyd, Esq. Commissioners for the town of Tarborough for one year.

¶ We have attentively perused and re-perused the production of "S—," and finally concluded that it was rather too *personal* for insertion. The two concluding lines, however, forming a neat couplet and containing the *git* of the poem, may perhaps be acceptable to our readers, and here they are:

"Among all of *His* stock there is not a he thing,
And all of his children are girls, *by ding!*"

¶ The weather has been very variable in this vicinity, for the last two or three weeks, and we have had several severe frosts; but not sufficient to effect any material injury either to the gardens, the fields, or the fruit trees, as far as we can learn. The Raleigh and Fayetteville papers state that in those sections the frost did considerable injury.

Manufactories.—We find in an advertisement in the Warrenton Reporter, the following description of the buildings, &c. at Mr. Joel Battle's manufactory at the Falls of Tar river, in this county:

"Among these are a well constructed stone edifice on the south side of the river, 76 feet long by 36 wide, with four floors, and capable of containing 2,000 spindles; a large wooden building on the opposite side of the river, calculated either for spinning or weaving—444 spindles, with all the necessary apparatus of cords, &c. are now at work, and yield from 100 to 150 pounds of coarse yarn, and a proportionable smaller amount when of a finer quality. Attached to the Factory are an excellent Grist and Saw mill, two store houses, a large and commodious dwelling house, with all the necessary out-buildings."

¶ We learn from the Fayetteville Journal, that Edmund Deberry, Esq. of Montgomery, and Maj. John A. Cameron, of Fayetteville, are candidates for Congress in the Fayetteville district.

The Journal also observes: "We have heard Joseph Wilson, Esq. spoken of as the probable successor of John Branch, Esq. in the Senate."

All Aback!—We copied an article from a Kentucky paper, a short time since, announcing that Judge Clarke declined a re-election to Congress, and that Mr. Clay was spoken of as a candidate to succeed him. The last Lexington Gazette says: "It is at length arranged at head-quarters that Judge Clarke shall represent this district; he is therefore again a candidate." Have the signs of the times in the East "electrified" Mr. Clay?

Military Chieftains.—A very interesting letter from England, under date March 1, appears in the New-York Commercial Advertiser, from which we extract the following flattering notice of the English military chieftain:

"The Administration of the Duke of Wellington seems to be one of great and increasing popularity. He has disappointed both friends and enemies; and seems

likely to become as distinguished for his talents in the cabinet as he was in the field. He possesses that best and only kind of sense that *wears*—plain *common sense*: he is a practical man and wastes no time in speech-making. Depend upon it, he is more popular than any British Minister has been for the last twenty years."

Would it not be rather *queer* if, ere a twelvemonth expires, the opponents of the American military chieftain were also constrained to admit that he "seems as likely to become as distinguished for his talents in the cabinet as he was in the field?"

Reform.—In the town of Leeds, state of Maine, Gen. Jackson was last winter shot in effigy, while all the peace officers were looking on: at the recent election for town officers, all these men, who suffered the disgraceful transaction to take place immediately before their faces, were turned out, and Jackson men put in their places.—*Salisbury Car.*

Eyes Right!—The Providence (R. I.) Journal makes this confession: "as strange and unaccountable as it may appear, there is in this State a strong prejudice existing in the minds of the farmers against the manufacturers." To this feeling or prejudice, the Journal attributes the defeat of the Clay ticket for Senators at the recent election, and the success of the candidates favorable to the existing Administration. Under the new order of things the Journal looks for the work of "reform."

N. Y. Ev. Post.

Groans of the Brittons!...Does this mean further protection; further restriction?...Niles's Register of the 18th April has the following givings-out: "Sheep and wool are much less valuable than they were last year; woollen goods are cheaper, and the manufacturers, except of some few particular articles, are distressed. A number of the most careful and skilful of them have failed; others, with great difficulty, hold their own, in the hope of future profits; but the stock of most of the large incorporated companies in the eastern states...the "lordly monopolists," as the members thereof were called, is not worth 40 cents in the dollar; and, at *this rate*, we suppose, those in the south who talk of the *exorbitant profits* made at these factories, may come in partners to the amount of half a score of millions of dollars, whenever they please. The truth is, the bill of 1828, has injured both the growers and manufacturers of wool. The interests of the two cannot be separated. The one dollar minimum has blasted every hope that was entertained; and, in practice, left these great concerns worse than they were before "*further protection*" was granted!"

Richmond Enq.

Suicide.—The Georgetown (D. C.) Columbian, says: "On Wednesday last we learn that Mr. John H. Henshaw, a clerk in the Fourth Auditor's office, put a period to his existence, by cutting his throat from ear to ear. The verdict of the jury was, that the act was committed during a fit of mental de-

rangement. Mr. H. was a gentleman of dignified manners, and fine literary taste."

[Since the above was in type we have received the Petersburg Intelligencer of Tuesday, which says: "It is stated in several papers, as a *rumor* from Washington, that a Clerk in the Treasury Department, who lately committed suicide, has left some papers disclosing certain frauds committed by himself and others (names not mentioned) upon the public Treasury."]

Melancholy.—The New-York American of the 30th ult. says:—A very melancholy occurrence took place last night, on board the steamboat Franklin, on her passage from Providence to this city. George Washington Adams, eldest son of the late President of the U. States, was on board, on his way to Washington. During the day and evening he evinced no symptoms of indisposition, 'till near bed time, when he complained of violent pain in the head, and said he would be bled as soon as he got to New-York. He, however, retired with the other passengers, but rose about two o'clock, dressed himself in a hurried manner, and awoke one or two of the passengers, complaining that they were plotting against him, and particularly asked one of them, what it was he had said about his (Mr. Adams) jumping overboard; nothing of the sort had been said, and the thing passed off, Mr. A. going upon deck and the passengers resuming their slumbers. The only subsequent trace of the unfortunate young man, was the finding, some hours afterwards, his hat upon the deck forward of the wheel guard, whence he is supposed, in a high state of fever, to have jumped overboard. Mr. G. W. A. was a lawyer of promise, a young man of considerable acquirements, and has been several times one of the representatives in the Massachusetts Legislature of the city of Boston. He was unmarried.

Halifax, April 30.—The Hon. John Branch, Secretary of the Navy, we understand, left his residence yesterday for the seat of the General Government.—*Min.*

Petersburg, May 1.—The market—Cotton, 7½ a 9½ cts.; Flour, \$5 a \$5½; Bacon, 6½ a 6½ cts.; Corn, \$2¼ a \$2 3-8.—*Int.*

Another Presentment.—The Grand Jury for the county of Hertford, Spring Term, 1829, made a presentment relative to the Banks, &c. from which we extract the following:

"This Jury do believe, from the best information that they have received on the subject, that the Stockholders, Directors, and other officers of the Banks, are very nearly, if not quite enough indebted to the Banks to make the aforesaid sum of \$5,000,000.

This Grand Jury present, that so far as their knowledge extends, the great mass of substantial citizens and sturdy freeholders of the country are neither now affected, nor are they likely to be hereafter affected, by the Banks.

This Grand Jury submit that the good people of this State

would be much more profitably employed in planting and rearing a good crop during the present summer than in *ranting* and *electioneering* away their time in idle projects. Let us live economically; adapt our habits to our incomes; dispense with all superfluities; sell our surplus property; pay our debts; and again be independent.

This Grand Jury hope the next Legislature will adopt some measure to compel the Banks to pay 20 per cent. damages upon their notes, from the time payment shall be demanded till the same shall be made.

This Grand Jury present that the Governor and Council would bring much expense upon the State by a called session of the Legislature, without any corresponding good.

Washington, N. C. May 2....The Superior Court for this county is sitting this week, his Honor, Judge Norwood presiding. We cannot forbear expressing our admiration at the mildness, kindness, and courtesy which characterizes the venerable Judge's intercourse with the gentlemen of the bar and all others having business in his Court. There has not been tried any case which has excited much interest, except one of an indictment against the Justices for not repairing the Jail. They were, however, acquitted by the Jury without leaving the box. We understand that it was conceded on all hands (Miller for the State, Gaston and Shaw for defendants) that the Justices were not indictable for the mere fact of the Jail being out of repair; but it was contended on behalf of the prosecution, and so charged by his honor, that they were indictable for neglecting to perform those duties enjoined by act of Assembly toward repairing and building; such as laying taxes, appointing a treasurer of public buildings, &c...*Ec.*

Eccentric Liberality.—Some individual in Massachusetts, who chooses to remain *incognito*, has sent to the address of our Public Treasurer, a box containing two hundred and fifty *Family Prayer Books*, with a request that the same may be distributed "among all the members of Government and Courts of Justice." He states that the donation is intended for good and to encourage pure religion. The donor enclosed to the Treasurer, money to pay the expense of transportation, asking him to appropriate the overplus, if any, for the relief of some destitute object.—*Raleigh Register.*

Execution.—Negro Absalom, convicted of the murder of Alexander Clark, at the last term of Chatham Superior Court, was hung at Pittsboro', on Friday last, pursuant to sentence. Although the day was rainy and disagreeable, we understand there were between three and four thousand persons assembled to witness a fellow being launched into eternity. There never was we believe, (for we heard the trial) a more hardened villain, yet he persisted to the last in proclaiming his innocence. A gentleman who was