

Mr. Simkins, of S. C. intimating a wish to offer his opinions of the question, which the late afternoon of the hour motion was agreed to; and the House adjourned, after 4 o'clock.

Mr. Smith, of Md. Mr. Clay, Mr. Pindall, Mr. Beecher, Mr. Pitkin, spoke in favor of the appropriation, Mr. Johnson, of Va. against any appropriation for this object, Mr. Baldwin, against the latter appropriation, and Mr. Tall against the appropriation, on the ground of imputed misapplication of the money.

Mr. Johnson, of Virginia, moved to strike out of the bill the clause appropriating 250,000 dollars for present contracts; which motion was negatived.

Mr. Clay moved to insert an additional appropriation of 285,000 dollars for the completion of the road; which was agreed to by the following vote:

For the additional appropriation 66
Against it 61

The committee then proceeded to the consideration of the bill from the Senate, referred to the same committee, to increase the salaries of certain officers of the government (to give the Heads of Departments salaries of 6000 dollars each, the Postmaster-General 4000, and the Attorney General 3500 dollars.)

Mr. Hopkinson moved to amend this bill so as to give to the Chief Justice of the United States 6000 dollars per annum, and to the Circuit Judges 4500 dollars per annum.

After Debate, this motion was agreed to, 63 to 57.

Mr. Whitman moved an amendment to increase the salaries of the two Assistant Postmasters General from 1,800 to 2,500 dollars per annum; which was negatived.

Mr. R. C. moved to reduce the proposed salaries of the Heads of Departments from 6000 to 5000; which motion was negatived by a considerable majority.

The Paris *Moniteur* mentions that there had been a great commotion at Lyons, alarming in its nature. Lord Ellenborough, chief justice of England, died on the 13th December. The Courier says, there is no foundation for the reported changes in the ministry, with the exception of the retirement of Lord Mulgrave from the master-generalship of the ordinance, which is to be filled by Lord Wellington.

The London papers are full of reports of disturbances in Spain. It is even said that the King is murdered; again that he has abdicated the throne. But nothing is distinctly stated except that the condition of affairs in Spain was such as to lead to the expectation of convulsions in that quarter.

U. S. Bank.—We conclude the report on the proceedings of the Bank, this week; and would desire such of our readers as are fond of financial questions to examine with care.—Much useful information may be gained from so strict and careful a view of a large mounted machine.—Perhaps it might also be well to advert to the motions against the institution, now pending in congress;—that every one may be prepared, should that body resolve to adopt any rash and severe measure in consequence of the disclosures laid before the House by the committee.

CONGRESS.—The most important measure lately agitated in this body, next to the Seminole and Bank questions, was the proposition by the Hon. Lewis Williams, to reduce the army.—This, however by a close vote, has been laid on the table.

RESIGNATION.—We are extremely sorry to learn that Judge Sewall has resigned his seat on the bench of the Circuit Court of this state.—The letter of the Judge, assigning his reasons for retiring from the appointment, shall be given next week. It came to hand too late for the present week.

Lord ELLENBOROUGH, late Chief Justice of England, whose death is announced by the arrival at Savannah, was the elder brother of Thomas Law, Esq. of this city.

It is stated by the arrival of the Cherub, at Boston, in 72 hours from Halifax, that the fourth frigate was to sail from Halifax about the end of February for Bermuda, and thence, it is understood, she is to proceed to New-York, and receive on board the Hon. Mr. BAGOT, the British Minister, and convey him to England.

[We do not know how correct this is, but it has been currently reported, for some time, that Mr. BAGOT was about to return to England. There is a correspondence between the two reports, including a belief that they are not without foundation.—Nat. Int.]

PHILADELPHIA, FEB. 8. We have every reason to believe that the third Mail Robber is caught. A person answering his description, in every respect, has been lodged in jail in Lancaster, and, from the account he has given of himself, he confirms the opinion that he is the man Mr. Bailey, & a gentleman who can identify him, have gone to Lancaster to ascertain whether he is the person, and bring him to this city.

The oldest inhabitants of South Carolina and Georgia, do not remember a year of less rain than the last past. The consequence is, our navigation is entirely stopped, and trade at a stand. How long this state of things may continue it is not for us to say; long it cannot, and we look forward with hope to brisk business in the spring. The steam boats between Augusta and Savannah have long ceased running. One intended for this river is nearly ready.

When the subject was under consideration on Wednesday, a motion was made by Mr. Forsyth to amend the bill, by striking out the whole of it, except the enacting clause, and inserting in lieu thereof a proposition for erecting a monument on the spot, at Mount Vernon, where the remains of the deceased patriot now lie. This motion occasioned some discussion; in the course of which, Mr. Fromentin, though opposed to the amendment being received as a substitute to the bill, was willing to receive it as additional to it, so that, besides erecting the equestrian statue, according to the pledge given by the old Congress, a suitable monument should be erected over the tomb of Washington, still more to show the respect which the present Congress entertain for his memory.

Major General JACKSON, and his suite, consisting of several officers, left this yesterday morning for Baltimore, on a tour northward.

Copy of a letter to the Postmaster General. Philadelphia, Tuesday evening, Feb. 9, 1819. Sir—I have this night returned from Lancaster here, with the famous Doctor Henrie, who confesses himself to be one of the three mail robbers; so that all appear to be safe who were connected, and, by his confession, in which I rely, the amount they got in actual bank notes was but about 3000 dollars—the description given of him by the New-York police was correct except as to the age. Dr. Henrie has been a soldier, when 17, in the French army.

Law and Philosophy.—The following is an extract from a letter of a distinguished foreign naturalist to Dr. Mitchell. "I perceive that the Dutch New-Yorkers, worthy of Knickerbocker's heroes, have decided, through their enlightened jurymen, that whales are fishes! notwithstanding the contrary opinion of Linnaeus, Lacedaedy, and all the naturalists.—Methinks that every body ought to judge in his own trade or line: lawyers and judges, of law; merchants, of wares; watch-makers, of watches; zoologists, of animals, &c.; but I may be mistaken. If the vulgar New-York notion, that every thing that swims in a fish, must be adopted, every thing that flies must be a fowl of course, including bees and bats; and every thing that walks must be a beast, including ourselves. There are fools every where, it appears; they laugh at us, and we laugh at them. I suppose that the next decision will be, that the sun goes round the earth as it used to do in old times; and the Knickerbockians who know better, will teach our astronomers, instead of calling them to decide. But, fortunately, if the time of dark ignorance is not yet over, we at least enjoy our opinions in peace; and I trust that we shall not be put to thequisition, like Galileo, for believing that the earth is a planet of the sun, or that the whale is not a fish because it has no gills; unless a new Knickerbockian inquisition may be established, which I now and then apprehend."

The following arrangement has been made by the Judges of the Superior Courts, for their next spring's riding, (viz) The 1st of Eleton circuit, Judge Daniel. 2nd of Newbern do. Judge Nash. 3rd of Raleigh do. Judge Sewell. 4th of Hillsborough do. Judge Tommer. 5th of Wilmington do. Judge M'phrey. 6th of Morgan do. Judge P. & C.

Since publishing the allotment made by the Judges of the Superior or Circuit Courts of the spring riding, I am directed by His Excellency the Governor, to state that in consequence of Judge Daniel's having rode the first of Eleton Circuit last fall, and being appointed to the same, he has felt it his duty to change the allotment so far as relates to the first of Eleton circuit, & the third of Raleigh circuit; Judge Sewell will therefore ride the Eleton, and Judge Daniel the Raleigh circuit.

Published agreeably to Law, W. M. HILL, Sec. of State. Feb. 18 1819.

FOR THE RALEIGH MINERVA. (Having lately been farmed by the author with a correct copy of the following, and I regret to say, we cannot withhold it from our readers.)—Minerva.

JEU DESPRIME. An Hebrew, of old Abraham's race, Was kneeling o'er the liquid glass, When, being thirsty, he took in, Jus' 't'ough enough to catch his chin And in his worldly plight he sang, With only power to move his tongue. A brother slaver, near at hand, A Paper, born in foreign land, To save poor Mordecai the Jew, With busy strokes directly flew, "But first," quoth he, "I must enjoy That you receive your faith for mine." "Forswear mine faith! No, no, corrupt! Dat you'd pe'rry base intend!" "Our church refuses all assistance Beyond a certain pale and distance, and all the service I can lend. I praying for thy soul, my friend!" "Pray for mine soul! you make me laugh! You'd petter help me out, py half. Come, never mind such things as dese; But tink how ferry hard it freeze; Pe not hard hearty, in dis matter, But tink how ferry cold de water!" "There's no intreaty else will do. Tis heresy to help a Jew!" "Vell, if I must believe, I must! But help me out von little fust!" "No not an inch without amen! That seals the whole."—"Vell, hear me den: I here renounce, for good and all De race of Jews bote great and small, Tis dare vast trade, beneath the sun, Dare great religion, dat's (all von) To lie and ket dare living py it. They lie, and swore the lie is right!"

"Now help me out, my christian friend, That I may do as I intend!" "Perhaps you now intend to cheat When once you get upon your feet!" "No, no, I do intend to be A christian, such a von as thee!" "For, thought the Jew, I am as much A christian man as he is such!" The high christian, joyous-hearted, To see a he'retic converted, Reply'd to dis renouncing Jew, "This was a happy fall for you! You'd better die a christian now— For if you live, you'll break your vow! And said no more, but in a trice Pop'd Mordecai beneath the ice!" HOCAGE.

MARRIED. On Tuesday evening the 16th inst. Mr. Joseph H. Harvey, one of the proprietors of the Minerva, to Miss Eliza J. M. Casso, of this City. DIED.—On Tuesday morning, at the residence of S. Hayward Esq. Mrs. Lucy Henry, the excellent and accomplished consort of Lewis Henry, Esq. of Fayetteville. In the vicinity of Bladenburg on Sunday morning, General ARMISTEAD T. MASON, of Loudoun County, Va. aged about 33 years. He was killed in a Duel, fought with muskets, at a short distance; at the first discharge he fell, and his antagonist was wounded. Thus has Virginia lost one of her most esteemed sons. He has been already, for a time, her Representative in the Senate of the United States; and, it has been said, would have been the next Governor of the State. A bereaved mother, wife, and child, and a large circle of affectionate relatives are plunged, by this sad event, in deep and inconsolable affliction.

OF the origin and circumstances of this combat, we shall not speak. We deplore the occasion which has made it necessary for us even so far to notice the occurrence of a Duel. FOR SALE. between seven and eight hundred acres of LAND, handsomely situated within two miles of the University of North-Carolina, on Pineswood and Lick creeks; a good proportion of this Land is excellent low grounds, the whole tract is well adapted to the culture of corn, wheat, tobacco or cotton. This tract of Land could be divided for the accommodation of 4000 acres into two plantations in good repair for farming, a dwelling house and all necessary out houses, a cotton machine and whiskey distillery—as it is presumed the purchaser would wish to view the premises, those inclined to purchase are respectfully invited to call on me; a great bargain may be had by an early application. J. RRATT YEARGIN. February 15, 1819.

A PROCLAMATION. 100 DOLLARS REWARD. WHEREAS it has been made appear to me that ROBERT SHEPHERD, of the county of Halifax, stands charged by the verdict of a Jury of Inquest, with the murder of a certain negro man slave, by the name of ISAAC; and that the said Shepherd has made his escape. Now, therefore, to the end that he may be brought to justice, the above reward will be given to any person or persons who will apprehend and confine the said Shepherd any in jail; and I do moreover empower and command all officers, civil and military within this state to use their best endeavors to a point and bring the said Shepherd to justice.

The said Shepherd has two fingers on his left hand somewhat contracted, and is branded in the same hand with the letter M, and is about forty years of age, five feet seven or eight inches high, light hair and beard, strong mind, full face, swarthy complexion and downy look, he is fond of strong drink, and when intoxicated, talks and swears loudly, and is very troublesome. In testimony whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of state to be affixed, and signed the same, at the City of Raleigh, the 27th day of January, A. D. 1819. JOHN BRANCIF. By the Governor, WILLIAM PLUMMER, Private Secretary Feb. 18 19.

STATE OF N. CAROLINA, Superior Court of Law, TRIBUNAL COUNTY. Full Term, A. D. 18 18. Squire Parker, vs. his wife Elizabeth Parker, Petition for divorce. ORDERED by the Court in this case, that publication be made for three months in the said and County, that unless the defendant appear at the next Superior Court of Law, to be held for the county of TRIBUNAL, on the fifth Monday after the fourth of March next; the plaintiff's petition will be taken pro confesso and heard ex parte. R. WORKE, Clerk. 1-3m

THE celebrated and unqualed RACE HORSE, TIMOLEON, will stand the ensuing season at the possession of stable, 3 miles north of Warrenton. The terms, blood and performance will be made known in due time. ROBERT R. JOHNSON. Dec. 18 18 85-4f

STATE OF N. CAROLINA, Superior Court of Law, MEREDITH COUNTY. November Term, 1818. Alexander Luce, Guardian, vs. William Hart—Original attachment. Levied on the debt and equitable claim of William Hart, on the plantation at Beatie's Ford, where Andrew Hart died. ORDERED, That publication be made for three months in the Raleigh Minerva, that unless the defendant appear at the next Superior Court of Law, to be held for said county, at the court house in Charlotte, and reply, judgment will be taken against him. GEO. GRAHAM C. C. L. 85-3m.

FOR SALE.—My valuable PLANTATION, lying on Swift Creek, about 7 miles from Raleigh, with the Stage Road to Fayetteville passing through it; this place contains about 400 acres, with cleared land sufficient to work to advantage eight or ten hands; and has upon it an excellent Mill-seat. ALSO, my town property, viz. an excellent STORE-HOUSE, in the block of new buildings, lately finished on Fayetteville street, part of Lot, No. 84—Lot No. 38, with a fine Spring thereon—and one acre and a half of ground, below my late dwelling-house, and extending to the Spring Branch. If not disposed of at private sale, before the first Monday in February, the foregoing property will, on that day, be offered at public auction in this City. Terms of sale will then be made known. WM. SCOTT. Raleigh, Jan. 8, 1819. 88-4f

WANTED IMMEDIATELY.—at this office, an apprentice between the age of twelve and fifteen years. One from the country would be preferred. BLANKS. FOR SALE AT THE OFFICE.