

THE MESSENGER.

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ASHEVILLE, N. C.

Friday, December 9, 1842.

From the present tone of the Whig papers, we think it pretty well settled, that a National Convention will be held some time next year, to nominate candidates for the offices of President and Vice President.

The Legislature.

Last week we published the message of Gov. MOREHEAD to both branches of our State Legislature. We had no room for comments then, and there is little or no necessity for any now.

A turnpike road from Raleigh to the west; A general improvement of the roads in the mountain country; The establishment of asylums for the deaf and dumb;

The extension of aid to the two existing Rail Roads, provided it can be done without incurring any further responsibility on the part of the State, &c., &c.

The House of Commons, on the 24th ult., on motion of Mr. Cardwell, proceeded to appoint the following standing committees:

Committee on Claims.—Messrs. Thos. Wilson, Oban, McNaught, Brodgen, Hawkins, Thomas, Martin, Stockard, Cardwell, Brummell, Stowe, Baxter, McLaughlin.

On Propositions and Grievances.—Messrs. Stone, Sharp, Rogers, Norcum, Davis, Williams, Stone, Locke, Nash, Walker, Lord, White, Candler, J. P. Caldwell.

Committee on Education.—Messrs. Ehringhaus, Bragg, Nacomb, Koonce, Dickson, Pitts, Dockerty, Rand, Mendall, Leach, Erwin, Avery, Young.

Committee on Internal Improvements.—Messrs. John B. Jones, Pope, Forcman, Dewey, Kelly, Russell, McRae, C. Jones, Jr. Shultz, Brower, Barringer, Francis, Dower.

Committee on Privileges and Elections.—Messrs. Lamb Lee, Shanklin, Marshall, McKenry, Hawkins, Nelson, Ashe, Holloway, Johnston, N. Wilson, Mills, J. J. Bryan.

In the Senate, Nov. 25, the Speaker announced the following committees:

On Propositions and Grievances.—Messrs. Moore, Myers, Melvin, Cathey, Cooper, Jno. W. Williams and Howards.

copy this week from the Raleigh Register, various bills, resolutions, memorials, &c., have been presented, and for the most part referred to committees.

Mr. Avery, of Burke, presented a bill to create a new county, out of parts of Rutherford and Burke, to be called McDowell.

Mr. White, a bill to create a new county out of Lincoln, to be called Catawba.

At it again.—The Locofoco papers, or at least a great portion of them, since the late elections, which have resulted in favor of that party, have boldly hoisted the Sub-Treasury flag.

The Legislature of Tennessee adjourned without going into an election for United States Senators—consequently that State still remains unrepresented in that branch of our National Legislature.

BANK NOTES OF ENGLAND.—Some time since, it was stated that a quantity of notes on the Bank of England had found their way into the valley of the Mississippi, where they had been used in purchasing produce for shipment to England.

The following extract from a letter received at this office, from a gentleman of high standing in an adjoining county, who has himself served for several years in the State Legislature—will show the state of feeling existing in this part of the country, in reference to the proceedings of the dominant party in the present Legislature.

On the same day the Speaker of the House announced the following committees:

On the Judiciary.—Messrs. Bragg, Am. Biggs, G. C. Mendall, D. M. Barringer, Cad. Jones, Jr., H. K. Nash, W. W. Avery, D. K. McRae, and Michael Francis.

On Private Bills.—Messrs. W. F. Russell, J. B. Jones, J. Halsey, O. S. Dewey, A. Shanklin, J. E. Thomas, N. G. Rand, Chas. Brummel, L. Dockery, J. Nixon, J. H. McLaughlin, J. W. Ross, Saml. Hyrd and W. E. Mills.

On Finance.—Messrs. Am. Biggs, J. P. Caldwell, Thomas Wilson, Levi Walker, J. L. Foreman, Peter Scalle, George Dower, and Joe Foley.

On the Library.—Messrs. J. S. Bracken, Geo. C. Mendall, and W. W. Avery.

We cannot, of course, give the proceedings in detail; but will keep our readers apprised of the most important transactions which may take place.

North Carolina University.

Through the kindness of the publisher, we have been favored with a copy of "A Catalogue of the Trustees, Faculty and Students of the University of North Carolina for 1842-'43," from which we learn that the number of students is greater than at any former period in the history of the University.

DAVID L. SWAIN, LL. D., President, and Professor of National and Constitutional Law. Rev. EDWIN MERRILL, D. D., Professor of Chemistry, Mineralogy, and Geology.

The following is a recapitulation of the catalogue of students:

Table with 2 columns: Category and Count. Resident Graduates: 3; Seniors: 33; Juniors: 44; Sophomores: 44; Freshmen: 39; Irregulars: 11. Total: 174.

Appended to the catalogue, we find the following general remarks, which we copy for the information of such of our readers as may not see the catalogue entire.

The Collegiate year is divided into two Sessions or terms, the one commencing six weeks after the first Thursday in June, the other six weeks after the fourth Friday in November.

The Classes, (with the exception of the Senior,) recite in two divisions, each division occupying an hour. By this arrangement, six hours are devoted to recitations and lectures on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

Composition and Declamation receive due attention throughout the whole course. The three lower classes are required to declaim in private before the Professor of Rhetoric, and afterwards in the presence of the Faculty.

The Senior Class deliver Oration's of their own composition upon the public stage twice in each session. All the Classes are required to attend Divine Worship in the College Chapel on Sunday forenoon, and in the afternoon to recite on the Historical parts of the Old and New Testaments.

The instruction of the Freshman Class, is confined, for the most part, to the Tutor of Ancient Languages, and the Tutor of Mathematics.

By the division of the Department of Ancient Languages into two branches, with a Professor to each, and by the appointment of a Professor of Rhetoric, very ample means of instruction are afforded in these studies, while the other Professors are enabled to give increased attention to their more peculiar duties.

In addition to National and Constitutional Law, the President gives instruction in Mental and Moral Philosophy, and in Political Economy.

A regular course of Lectures on Chemistry, Mineralogy and Geology, illustrated by experiments and the exhibition of specimens, is delivered to the Senior Class, by the Professor of Chemistry, who also gives occasional Lectures on the other departments of Natural History.

To the means of instruction and improvement heretofore enjoyed in this department, has been added, during the present year, a Cabinet of Minerals purchased for the University in Vienna, by the Secretary of the Legation of the United States, near the Court of Austria.

The recitations and Lectures of the Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy are illustrated by experiments with an Apparatus selected by the late Dr. CALDWELL, during a visit made by him to Europe, some years since, for that purpose.

The College buildings have undergone thorough repair. Extensive improvements are now in progress; and others are in contemplation.

talents and studious habits, and is unable to defray the expense of tuition and room rent, to admit him free of charge, into any class for which he may be prepared.

A LOCOFOCO'S OPINION OF HIS OWN PARTY.—A certain Mr. Walsh, who has been initiated into the mysteries of Locofocoism, lately delivered a speech in Tammany Hall, New York, and made use of the following in reference to the aristocracy of his party.

"The aristocracy of talent I revere—the aristocracy of power, fairly obtained and properly exercised when obtained I respect—the aristocracy of wealth, I can tolerate—but the low, dirty, codfish aristocracy of Democracy, I loathe and detest!"

Some of the Democratic papers say that a personal reconciliation has taken place between Gen. JACKSON, and Mr. CALHOUN. We would like to know if it has been on Mr. C.'s "cohesive bonds of plunder" principle.

There are twenty-three candidates for the office of Secretary of State in South Carolina. O, these office-hunting Democrats!

It is said that money is very plenty in England, and can be had at very low rates on good security. This is no doubt the case, and it would be so here if we had a sound national currency, and proper protection for our labors.

Rice's, Dec. 3, 1842. Messrs. Editors.—If you see proper you can publish the weight of a hog, measured by myself. I bought this hog about 12 months since; it weighed near 300 lbs. The same hog weighed this Fall, 560 lbs. gross. I believe this hog was of the old English stock; I also believe if it had been weighed in scales, it would have weighed 600 lbs. I had to weigh with two pair of steelyards, which was not a fair test. I will give you his weight neat in a few days. Yours, respectfully, J. M. RICE.

ELECTIONS BY THE LEGISLATURE, THIS WEEK.—William Hill, Secretary of State; Robert Strange, Solicitor of the 5th Circuit; Henry S. Clark, Solicitor of the 2d Circuit.

Fire in the moon.—A correspondent of the New Bedford Mercury gives an account of a singular phenomenon on the eastern limb of the moon, which he saw with the aid of a telescope on the 12th of September last. The atmosphere, he says, was favorable for observation, and while surveying a tract, which he had frequently examined, and without anticipating any discovery, suddenly a new phenomenon burst upon the eye.

SINGULAR CASE OF POISONING.—The Graciosa (M.) Register of the 29th ult., states that the family of G. Morehead, residing near the Yazoo pass, were recently poisoned (as is supposed) by eating peaches which had been dried upon a painted scaffold.

OFFICE HUNTING.—It is astonishing how much discontent, vexation, and misery men will subject themselves to, merely for the chance of obtaining some petty office, which, if secured, would not yield them so much net income as a moderate application in their proper trade or calling.

THE FIRST DEBATE.—Quite an animated discussion sprang up in the House of Commons, on Wednesday last, the question at issue being whether five copies, or one copy, of the Governor's message, should be printed for the use of the members.

Run here, every body!! WILLIAMS & ROBERTS, Have received, at their Cheap Store in Asheville, A FRESH SUPPLY OF WINTER GOODS,

ANY quantity of WOOL will be received in exchange for Goods, by WILLIAMS & ROBERTS, Dec. 9, 1842.

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THE INFLUENCE OF IMAGINATION.—That great old writer, Thomas Fuller, relates a curious incident, which is truly characteristic, and shows how fancy will put life into young limbs.

THE DIFFERENCE.—In 1840, with a decided majority, the Whigs re-elected Thos. G. Stone (Loeo Poco) Principal Clerk of the Senate, because he was the incumbent.

Arrival & departure of the Mails, AT AND FROM ASHEVILLE, N. C. EASTERN—from Asheville to Salisbury, four horse coaches—arrives Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday, at 2 a. m., and leaves Monday, Thursday and Saturday, 1 p. m.

SALE BY THE SACK OR SINGLE BUSHEL, for sale by WILLIAMS & ROBERTS, Dec. 9, 1842.

Notice. THE undersigned, by mutual consent, as well as by limitation of their contract, have dissolved the partnership heretofore existing at Scotts Creek, Haywood county, N. C.

Tennessee Stone Ware, Of every description, for sale by WILLIAMS & ROBERTS, Asheville, Dec. 9, 1842.

New Goods. THE subscriber is now receiving and opening a large and handsome supply of Fall and Winter GOODS,

Wool wanted. ANY quantity of WOOL will be received in exchange for Goods, by WILLIAMS & ROBERTS, Dec. 9, 1842.

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BANK NOTE TABLE.

Table with columns: Bank Name, Location, and Note Details. Includes Augusta Notes, Savannah Notes, and Country Notes from various banks like Mechanics Bank, Bank of Augusta, etc.

WANTED in payment of debts due this office—for which the market price will be allowed, if delivered in this place shortly. Asheville, Dec. 2, 1842.

NOTICE! VALUABLE LANDS FOR SALE.

BY virtue of a decree of Henderson County, in Equity, I shall offer for sale, at public auction to the highest bidder, on a credit of one and two years, at the Court House in Henderson county, on Tuesday of the next February Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, the five following Tracts of Land,

Tracts of Land. First Tract of a hundred acres, situated in Henderson county, N. C., on both sides of the road leading from William Orr's to Benson's turnpike, including Hightower's path; granted to R. Lewis and G. Benson, on the 15th December, A.D. 1818.

Bar Iron and Castings, For sale by WILLIAMS & ROBERTS, Dec. 9, 1842.

U.S. District Court of N. Carolina. IN BANKRUPTCY. NOTICE to show cause against Petition of Lee Bailey, Jr., of Buncombe county, Farmer, to be declared a Bankrupt, at Wilmington, on Monday, the 19th of December next.

NOTICE to show cause against Petition of Stephen Phillips, of Henderson county, Farmer, to be declared a Bankrupt at Wilmington, on Monday, the 19th of December next.

NOTICE to show cause against Petition of Joseph Stepp, of Henderson county, Farmer, to be declared a Bankrupt, at Wilmington, on Monday, the 19th of December next.

NOTICE to show cause against Petition of John Rame, near, of Yancy county, Farmer, to be declared a Bankrupt, at Wilmington, on Monday, the 19th of December next.

NOTICE to show cause against Petition of William H. Sans, of Yancy county, Farmer, to be declared a Bankrupt, at Wilmington, on Monday, the 19th of December next.

NOTICE to show cause against Petition of Jonathan M. Bryson, of Macon county, Saddler, to be declared a Bankrupt, at Wilmington, on Monday, the 19th of December next.

Ware House and Commission Merchant, And Receiving & Forwarding Agent, Oct. 17, HAMBURG, S. C. 6m 68