

HIGHLAND MESSENGER.

Friday, January 31, 1845.

The speech of Mr. Cingman fills a large space in our paper to-day, for knowing the anxiety of our readers to see it, we preferred giving it to them entire in one number.

Public Defender.

Mr. McNulty, the Democratic Clerk of the House of Representatives in Congress, was brought up a standing for being a defaulter to the Government, to the tune of some forty five thousand dollars.

The letter writers at Washington are of opinion that Gen. Saunders, of this State, is to be Post Master General under Polk. We are pleased with any mark of respect, or show of kindness, to the Old North State, but in this instance, how much so ever our State pride may be gratified at having a North Carolinian in the Cabinet, the belief that Gen. Saunders is totally disqualified for the station goes far towards removing the joy we would otherwise feel at this mark of respect to our own State.

U. S. SENATORS.—The Legislature of Maryland has elected Beverly Johnston, Esq. (Whig) United States Senator, for six years from the 4th of March next. John M. Clayton, of Delaware, and Daniel Webster, of Massachusetts, have also been elected to the Senate for the next six years.

The Legislature of Indiana adjourned without electing a Senator to Congress, as they were in duty bound to have done. It is probable, from present indications, that the Legislature of Virginia will do likewise.

John Tyler is already striving to conciliate James K. Polk, by tendering to his brother the appointment of a foreign mission, which it is said he declines accepting.

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Gen. Green and the Executive of Texas.

We have seen a private letter, says the N. O. Picayune of the 11th instant, written by a gentleman residing in Galveston, who ought to be acquainted with all the political movements in Texas, which strengthens the rumor, mentioned by us yesterday, that Gen. Duff Green had met with indifferent treatment from the Executive of that Republic.

Thomas W. Dorr.

The Legislature of Rhode Island passed a law releasing Dorr from the State Prison, in which he is confined for treason, upon condition that he will take the oath of allegiance to the State Government of Rhode Island, before the Judges of the Supreme Court in this State.

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The Late Duel.

It is said that Mr. Clingman's ball passed over Mr. Yancy's head, and Mr. Y.'s struck the ground midway between the parties.

In relation to this affair, the Petersburg Intelligencer says: "The more we look at this matter, the more surprised do we feel at the conduct of Mr. Yancy. It may be asked what we have to do with the matter? Our reply is, that the principle involved concerns every man in the country who values the liberty of speech."

We have read Mr. Clingman's speech, as reported in the Globe and National Intelligencer, and cannot find one single word in it which could reasonably have provoked the attack made upon him by Mr. Yancy. The attack of Mr. Clingman was upon the general conduct of the Lococo party. He arraigned no individuals except those very worthy gentlemen, the members of the Empire Club.

If the Democracy think their recent triumph gives them the right to impeach and censure, they reckon without their host; and if they suppose that threats and insults will deter the Whigs from exposing to public indignation their inconsistencies and corruptions, they stand wide of the mark.

It is a vital principle of free government, that the conduct of political parties is public property, and the humblest citizen has a right to scrutinize and animadvert upon it without subjecting himself to hazard of his act, or risk of life.

The people of North Carolina will be called on at the next election for members of the Legislature, to vote on the subject of a Penitentiary—for or against it—and the result of this election is to decide whether we are to have a State Prison or continue to let 'em up and give 'em thirty nine.

NEW WAY OF RECEIPTING A DEBT.—Peter, who figured in Columbia a few weeks ago as Manager of the Theatre, and who, in a fit of absent-mindedness, forgot to pay his debts in this place, has been caught in Savannah, Ga., by Mrs. Russell, an actress, belonging to his company, for refusing to pay her little bill.

Another scandalous accident occurred on the Mississippi a few days since. The boat took fire in the night and burned to the water's edge. A number of lives lost, as usual.

The Madisonian says that intelligence has reached Washington from an authentic source that the army of Santa Anna has deserted him, and that he has been, by a decree of Congress, formally banished from Mexico.

The New York Tribune says, Tennessee will be the theatre of another spirited contest next summer. A Governor and Legislature will be chosen on the first Thursday in August.

Some of the calamities of Henry Clay have already commenced retracting, and the slanders which they perpetrated against that distinguished man. One poor fellow thus comes out in the Boston Atlas: "A LIFE RETRACTED—I desire publicly to express my deep regret, in view of the great injustice done to the Hon. Henry Clay, by the assertion, made by myself, of having seen him bat at a horse race on Sunday, and employ this method of retracting, as far as I am able, the injustice done to him and the Whig cause."

The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun says: "This morning, Chief Justice Taney delivered the opinion of the Court in the case of Stockton & Soltes vs. Lewis & Knell. The decision is in favor of Lewis & Knell."

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Congressional.

We condense from the National Intelligencer the proceedings of Congress during the seventh week of the session:

By far the most important business that has yet been transacted in the session, is that which belongs to the Senate in its Executive character; and it may be added, by the way, that the subject which has occupied one-half of the whole time of sitting of the other branch of Congress is business (the "annexation" question) which properly belongs to the Senate, and upon which the House of Representatives cannot act without usurping authority that, so far as either House of Congress is concerned, belongs to the Senate only.

The most important action by the Senate during the last week was upon the Treaty with China, which had the rare honor of being ratified without a dissenting vote.

In both Houses, we need scarcely say, the Texas question occupied its full share of attention during the last week, as during the two or three preceding ones. Its discussion has been pursued in the House with a good deal more of pertinacity than of novelty or force on the part of its supporters.

How much longer the debate upon the Texas question will last, we cannot undertake to say certainly, but probably for several days; there being no apparent abatement of the anxiety of members to express their opinions in regard to it.

Among other incidents of the last week of the first session of Congress upon the bill directing the election of President and Vice President of the United States hereafter to be made in all the States of the Union on one and the same day.

Two days of the time of the House of Representatives during the last week have been consumed in dismissing the Clerk of the House for misconduct and defalcation in his accounts. The condemnation of the conduct of the Clerk, and his dismissal, were—however proper under the circumstances—unprecedentedly unanimous.

Benjamin B. French, late Chief Clerk, is now, by appointment, Clerk of the House of Representatives of the United States.

The Democrat, printed at Waynesburg, Pa., has hoisted the name of Gen. Winfield Scott, of New Jersey, for President, and James C. Jones, of Tenn., for Vice President in 1848.

It is stated in a New Orleans paper, that for the sum of \$150,000, Pearl river may be rendered navigable for a distance of eight hundred miles from its mouth.

Gen. FARMER—RETRACTOR OF THE CONGRESS. One of the unusual occurrences of the session is the breaking up of the ice in our river on Christmas. The cold weather and rain of Monday night the river so that the ice started on Tuesday but it soon blew up near Glasgow, and then came a mad rushing of water, inundating all of the wharves, as well as the storerooms and residences on the banks of the river, and flooding Commerce street in several places.

MURDER.—The Raymond (Miss.) Farmer of Jan. 3, gives an account of a murder which took place in that village the preceding evening. It appears that Dr. W. R. Ball, a citizen of Barbours county, Ala., received into his custody, from the sheriff, J. G. Greenberry, under a requisition from the Governor of Alabama, immediately after receiving the prisoner, and while they were leaving the Court House, apparently with locked arms, Greenberry drew a pistol secretly from his pocket and discharged the contents into the stomach of Ball, who expired immediately. He then fled, but was pursued by the son of the deceased, who inflicted two wounds upon the murderer with a knife, but was prevented by the population from dispatching him. Greenberry is in Barbours County.

Those persons to whom we sell goods on a credit for the past year, will please remember that it was a positive understanding that their debts were to be settled on the 1st of January. We hope the simple fact of telling it to their recollection will be sufficient to induce them to come forward and at least give their notes for what they may not be prepared to pay.

Those upon whom we hold notes of one and two years standing, are respectfully informed they can only SAVE THE COST OF SUIT by immediate payment. We hope this notice will not go unheeded—let each one consider if a personal application to himself, and attend to it accordingly. WILLIAMS & ROBERTS, No. 223.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, CLERK'S OFFICE, RUTHERFORD COUNTY, Superior Court of Law, Fall Term, 1844.

Ordered by the Court, that publication be made for three months in the Republican and Highland Messenger, for the defendant, James Hill to appear at the next Superior Court of Law, to be held at the County of Rutherford, on the 1st Monday after the 15th of March next; and that there be placed answer or demurrer to the petition filed against him by Elizabeth Hill, or judgment on confession will be entered against him, and the case set for hearing as usual.

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ASHESVILLE FEMALE ACADEMY. The next session commences February 26, 1845, and ends on the 26th December. The Institution is now well organized, the terms moderate, and every important advantage provided for the improvement and comfort of the pupils.

FOR THE SESSION OF TEN MONTHS: Primary Department, including Reading, Spelling, and the usual elementary course in Arithmetic, Writing, and Grammar, \$12 00.

Junior Division, Containing the above studies, with Geography, Composition, History, &c., 30 00.

First Division, Astronomy, Philosophy, Natural and Moral Logic, and other branches of Science, 34 00.

On the Piano, 30 00. Use of the Instrument, 4 00. On Guitar, 25 00. Drawing Lessons, 30 00. For French or Latin, 30 00. Algebra and Mathematics, 10 00.

For the benefit of both teacher and parent, it is requested that payment should be made by instalments, at intervals which will be mutually convenient to the patrons of the school. Provisions, &c., will be received in payment to such an extent as may be for mutual accommodation.

The healthfulness and pleasantness of the situation, the moderate terms, ease of access to the place by good roads and stages, with its total exemption from interruptions to improvement, give Asheville superior advantages for the education of young ladies. The session commencing 30th December will continue till 26th February following, so as to make it embrace the shortest days and best weather of the inclement season.

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By order of the Trustees. J. W. PATTON, Sec. November 29, 1844. 2 234.

NOTICE. The partnership of Bryson & Richardson in the Commission business is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

I now beg leave to inform my friends and the public generally that I will carry on the COMMISSION BUSINESS at the same house, and hope, by prompt attention to business and putting charges to suit the hardness of the times, to share liberally of the public patronage (and for a trial here goes).

For receiving and forwarding merchandise 12 1/2 cents per package; for receiving and shipping by the river or railroad 1 1/2 cents per package; for receiving and selling produce 2 per cent. for buying goods or bills of lading and forwarding 2 1/2 per cent.

JOSEPH J. BRYAN, 107. Hamburg, S. C., July 10, 1844.

Dr. JAYNE'S Family Medicines. PATENT & CO. have for sale DR. JAYNE'S EXPECTORANT, HAIR TONIC, HAIR DYE, CARMINATIVE BALM, SQUANTINE PILLS, and VERMIFUGE.

State of North Carolina, RUTHERFORD COUNTY, Superior Court of Law, Fall Term, 1844. Catherine Moore vs. Quillen Moore.

PETITION FOR DIVORCE. It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the defendant, Quillen Moore is not an inhabitant of this State; it is therefore ordered that publication be made for three months in the Highland Messenger and British American for the defendant to appear at the next Term of this Court to be held in the town of Hendersonville on the 4th Monday in March next, and plead answer, or demurrer, or the said petition will be heard *ex parte*, and decree made according to the prayer thereof.

Witness my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office, this 5th day of December, A. D. 1844, and in the 60th year of American Independence. THO. R. MILLER, Clerk. [Pra. Exp. \$7.50] Am 231.

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PRINTING in the most reasonable terms, and will take pleasure in printing or forwarding to order any kind that may be desired.

THE DEBTS DUE BY note, account, or otherwise, in the late firm of McAnally & Christy, have been put into the hands of Wm. Briggs for collection, and he alone is the authorized agent for the same. All payments must hereafter be made to him, as he will settle all the business. McANALLY & CHRISTY, 413 P. 1844.

Information Wanted. If there be any living ex-officio or soldier of the Rev. Arden, or any relative or friend of James Ross, formerly of North Carolina, who can give any information respecting the service or discharge of the said John Ross in the Revolution, will be gratefully rewarded by communicating such facts as may be within their knowledge to N. S. Thomas, Post Master, Eden, Hancock county, N.C.; where they may hear something perhaps to their advantage.

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Augusta Prices Current. Corrected from the Washingtonian.

Table listing various commodities and their prices in Augusta, Georgia, including items like Bacon, Butter, Coffee, Flour, Hops, and various oils.

Augusta Exchange Table. Corrected from the Washingtonian.

Table listing financial information, including bank notes, exchange rates, and interest rates for various locations like Baltimore and New York.

Notice. A suitable reward is hereby offered for such information as may enable me to convict the person or persons who have been injuring my vacant bottom and meadows, near the Union Academy; and all such persons are warned, at their peril, to desist from such practices.

JOHN DICKSON, Oct. 4, 1844. 4 916.

U. S. District Court of N. Carolina, FOR THE DISTRICT OF CAPE FEAR.

These being many cases in Bankruptcy pending on the Docket of this Court, long and much neglected, it is therefore ordered that the parties named herein publish in the Highland Messenger and British American a notice to the effect that the said cases will be dismissed for want of presentation at their date. And the clerk is required to publish this notice three consecutive weeks in the Washingtonian Chronicle and Highland Messenger at the charge of the petitioners.

W. E. ANDERSON, C. D. C. Wilmington, Nov. 4, 1844. 11 222.

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