

We have received the report of the committee appointed at the last session of the legislature, to prepare and report a plan of Public Education. It recommends the dividing of each county into school districts, of convenient size; erecting school-houses and houses for teachers, in the same; the appointment, by the county courts, of a board of school commissioners for each county, and by these boards subordinate committees, for each district; and provides for the support of the schools, and for defraying the other necessary expenses, by a tax, to be levied and collected in the same manner as other taxes. We like the plan recommended by the committee, with the exception of some parts of it; but we have not the remotest idea that it will receive the sanction of the legislature, unless it undergo such modifications as will probably destroy its utility.

We shall publish the report in our next paper; and our columns will be open to well-written and temperate discussions of its merits.

We give, in this week's paper, a sketch of the proceedings of Congress, as far as they have reached us; and we shall continue it weekly, as much in detail as our limits will permit. Our summary of congressional proceedings will be taken from the National Journal, a paper which, from the diversified talent that it exhibits, its various and interesting selections, and its general management, is deservedly ranked among the most able papers in the country; and we mention it now, as the source to which we shall be indebted for the doings and debates of Congress, to save the repetition of a weekly acknowledgment.

The bill more effectually to prevent treating at elections, has passed its third reading in the House of Commons, by a vote of 64 to 47. Unless public opinion discountenance the practice of treating at elections, legislative enactments and penalties will be perfectly nugatory.

The bill to establish Courts of Equity in this state, separate from the Courts of Law, has been lost in the Senate by a vote of 35 to 21.

Virginia.—John Randolph has been elected to the Senate of the U. States, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the appointment of Mr. Barbour to the War Department.

John Tyler has been elected Governor of the State, in the place of Mr. Pleasants, his constitutional term of service having expired.

Beware of Counterfeits!—We learn from the Raleigh Register, that counterfeit Twenty Dollar Notes of the State Bank of North-Carolina are in circulation. They are said to be well executed, and therefore may be easily palmed on the community. It will be well for all, who are offered notes of this description, to examine them carefully before they take them.

New Papers.—Proposals are issued for additional papers in this state, one to be published at Greensborough, by Wm. Potter, and the other at Newbern, by Philip Du-Val. We wish them every success, and better pay than the brethren of the craft generally receive.

The editor of the Milton Gazette seems to be a good deal nettled at the election of a Speaker of the House of Representatives friendly to the administration, and wonders if it is so, that the friends of the administration in Congress are greater in number than the "Crawford and Jackson men united." We did not know before that the friends of these two gentlemen had united in opposition to the administration; and we feel somewhat obliged to the editor of the Gazette for letting the secret out, although we suspect he has done it rather prematurely. Can he tell us how far the coalition extends, and what are its ulterior views?

A letter from Milledgeville to the editors of the Georgian, states that Silver "of the finest quality" has been found in

some part of the territory lately acquired by the Creek Treaty. The samples of ore carried to Milledgeville afford twenty-five per cent. of pure silver.

VERY LATE FROM EUROPE. The packet ship Manchester, arrived at New-York from Liverpool, having left that port on the 8th ult. bringing also London papers of the 6th. The most prominent feature in the news thus received, is the confirmation of the report relative to the failure of Mr. Samuel Williams, of London, to which we made a brief reference in our paper of yesterday. The amount of his failure is variously estimated. One account makes the demand on him not less than seven millions sterling; while another brings it down to about four hundred thousand pounds sterling. A private letter which we have before us, states that about a million sterling will be the true amount, or nearly 4 1/2 millions of dollars. The Morning Herald of October 25, says:

"The event threw a perfect gloom over the city yesterday afternoon. Mr. — was a man much respected as a merchant as well as in private life. It is said the gentleman who has failed, is by birth an American. It is related of him, that on his passage to this country about thirty years ago, the vessel which he was on board of, was suddenly run down in the night by another. On the alarm, Mr. W. hastened on deck in his shirt, and finding the vessel sinking, he sprang upon the bowsprit of the other, and scarcely had done so before his own ship sunk, and every other soul on board perished." It is further stated, that a committee are of opinion that the property will pay from ten to fifteen shillings in the pound; and, that in consequence of Baring & Co. and Wilson, and Mr. Timothy Wiggins, of Boston, coming forward and taking up many of the acceptances, the injury will be less than was at first apprehended.

The marriage between the Marquis of Wellesley and Mrs. Patterson is given at some length of detail in the English papers. Her property is estimated at 186,000 pounds, in the 3 1/2 per cent. stock, besides her claims on the British and American governments, and her landed property in the United States. As she is a Catholic, some sensation has been produced among both the Orange and the Catholic parties of Ireland, on the one side by the fear, on the other by the hope, that this marriage will lead to some melioration of the condition of the Catholic population.

The market at Liverpool remains about the same as it was by our last advices.

The latest Paris papers received at London, state that there has been a total change in the Spanish cabinet.—M. Zea and all the other members having been removed. It was not known who were to fill the vacancies. With regard to Greece, there is little that is new. A letter published in a Paris paper of the 26th Oct. mentions that the campaign was considered at an end, by the returning of Ibrahim Pacha to the coast and the retreat of Redchid from before Missolonghi. There was a report that the Alexandrian fleet had been defeated by Miaulis. These need confirmation. The report of Ibrahim being killed by a nephew of Hussein Bay, it appears was a fabrication.

Port Mahon, Oct. 5.—The Greeks are triumphant—the Egyptian fleet has retired to Alexandria; and the Turkish fleet to Constantinople. The Greek fleet have taken nearly 60 transports.

Mr. Radcliffe, husband of the late Mrs. Radcliffe, author of the Mysteries of Udolpho, the Italian, the Romance of the Forest, &c. and who died about the year 1822, has consented to publish a romance which this celebrated lady left behind her, which, it is said, will be found quite worthy of her fame.

The comet steam Boat, on her way from Inverness to Glasgow, with between 60 and 70 passengers, came in contact with the Ayr steam baggage boat, about an hour after midnight, between the 19th and 20th of October, by which her star-board bow was stove in, and she went down in about 3 minutes. Out of the whole number on board, it is supposed that only 12 persons were saved. The details are long and heart-chilling. The vessel which caused the accident, instead of rendering assistance, put on additional steam and left the scene of destruction. A Captain Southernland and his wife were on board. They had been married only five weeks. When Mrs. Southernland became suddenly conscious of the danger, she exclaimed—"Oh, my God! my God! she's sinking—we're lost!"—and clasping her husband round the neck, sunk with him into the abyss of water. One of the survivors says, sleeping or waking, the horrors of the scene were apparent in his mind, and he would rather amuse himself in any way than suffer himself to fall asleep.

A good device.—A book is said to have just appeared in London without title page, designation, or printer's name, consisting entirely of a list of men notorious about town for running in debt and not paying; or, as the phrase among them is, not caring who suffers. The first number contains 4,000 of such names, greatly to the annoyance of many, who may perhaps be thus shamed into honesty. It is threatened to be continued periodically.

ZANESVILLE, OHIO, DEC. 5.—On Saturday morning last, the house of Mr. Wm. Scott, about ten miles from town, on the Marietta road, was burnt to the ground, and awful to relate, Mr. Scott consumed therein!—We learn that on the previous afternoon, he being intoxicated, ordered his family out of doors and drove them off the premises. About dark, as he was returning home, having been to procure more liquor, he called at the house where his family were, and requested admittance, which was refused; he then ordered their return home, which they also refused;—and he departed, swearing and threatening to burn his house with its contents and himself within it! It is conjectured by some that he deliberately set fire to the house and remained in it until he was consumed; and by others that he became so drunk, that on the fire accidentally occurring, he was unable to stop it, or extricate himself; but, from his previous threats, and the fact of a favorite bible of his own having been found removed to a safe place, with some of his clothes partly burnt, while some books of his wife's were torn to pieces and strewn around the house, the former conjecture seems most probable. It is a shocking warning for habitual drunkards. Some of his bones were found on Saturday morning among the ruins, and decently interred.

Parricide.—Thousands in the commonwealth are acquainted with John Brown, an old revolutionary soldier, who has served so many years, and so faithfully as a door keeper to the house of delegates. The unfortunate man has fallen by the hand of his own son. On Saturday last, the son shot the father; but as the old man did not fall dead, the son seized an axe, struck him on the head, perhaps nearly separated it from the body, and mangled it in a most distressing manner. Another of the sons hearing of the terrible catastrophe, approached his brother with a gun, who immediately attempted to fly; but the irritated son shot at him, and merely grazed him on the cheek with one partridge shot. The parricide then stooped, and returned the fire, which unfortunately took effect on the body of his brother, whose life is despaired of; some negroes, who had been prevented from interfering by the fear of his gun, then stepped up and arrested the murderer. On Saturday morning, he was committed to jail in New Kent County. Our informant states, that the unfortunate Parricide is supposed to have been for some time deranged. Richmond Enquirer.

Chesapeake and Delaware Canal.—The Philadelphia Aurora states that this work is proceeding with increased rapidity and vigor; that there is a force now employed exceeding 1500 men; and that of these upwards of 600 are at work on the low grounds between the Delaware and St. George's.

New articles of Commerce.—On Friday evening, the canal boat Farmer's Daughter, of Skaneateles, arrived at Albany, from Jordan, 190 miles in the interior of New-York, with a cargo of one thousand live turkeys, geese and ducks. They were immediately taken on board a vessel bound to N. York, for their ultimate destination, the West Indies!! Bull. Patriot.

THE MARKET. Fayetteville, Dec. 15.—Cotton, sales 15 a 15 1/2; Bacon a 7 1/2; Candles, mould, 14 a 15; Coffee, 20 a 21; Corn, 65 a 70; Flour, super, 5 1/2; Flaxseed, 99; Lead, 10 a 11; Shot, 1/2; Lard, 2 25 a 2 50; Molasses, 50; Nails, cut, 7 a 8; wrought, 18 a 20; Oats, 35 a 40; Sugar, common to prime, 11 a 14; Salt, Liverpool, 100; Turk's Island, &c. 75 a 85; Steel, American, 8 a 9; Tobacco, leaf, 4 a 5; Wheat, 100 a 125; Whiskey, 40 a 45.

Cheraw, Dec. 13.—Apple Brandy, in demand, 30 a 40—Peach, 50; Bacon, 7 a 8; Cotton, nominal, 12 1/2 a 13; Coffee, prano green, 20 a 24; Corn, scarce, 70 a 80; Flour, super prime, 7 a 8; Iron, 5 a 6; Lead, 10; Molasses, 45 a 50; Nails, cut 9 a 10; Powder, Dupont's, (keg) \$8 a 9; Rum, Jamaica, 80 a 91; Shot, 2 75 a 3; Sugar, Muscovado, prime, 12 a 14—common, 9 a 11—Leaf, 20 a 25; Salt, Liverpool, 80 a 90—Turk's Island, 75 a 85; Steel, American, 8 a 9; Tallow, 8 a 10; Wheat, 100 a 125; Whiskey, 40 a 42.

Charleston, Dec. 12.—Cotton, 15 1/2 a 14 1/2; corn, 65 a 68; bacon, 6 a 6 1/2; apple brandy, 36 a 38; whiskey, 27 a 28; berries, 31 a 32; iron, 4 1/2 a 4 1/4; coffee, prime green, 19 a 20, ind. to good, 15 a 18; sugar, brown, 10 1/2 a 11, muscovado, 10 a 11, leaf do, 13 a 21; salt, Liverpool, coarse, 42 a 43; Turk's Island, 50 a 55; molasses, 40.

Look Sharp! ALL persons indebted to the subscriber, either by note or book account, are requested to call immediately and make payment. DAVID PARKS. December 24, 1825. 3165

Sports of the Turf! THE inhabitants of Charlotte and its vicinity, are respectfully invited to attend at Spring's old race paths, on Monday, the 26th inst., between the hours of 10 and 12 perhaps, to witness racing unequalled in the state, between the noted horse Lake Puncher and Sir Peter Ben Wizzle, both old horses, the one in good case, and the other in no case at all, although doubtless his pedigree may be traced to a famous steed in the sporting annals of old England. Whose strutting ribs on both sides show'd Like furrows he himself had ploughed. N. B.—Distance, one mile and repeat. Deeds for sale, at this Office.

Debtors and Creditors, ATTENTION.

AS I have been beating about in this parallel of latitude for a considerable time, and have encountered variable winds, together with a very heavy sea, I find upon close examination, that I am near an enemy's coast, making no headway; and my latitude by account not agreeing with my latitude by observation, has completely brought me to an anchor; however, I have thought it most advisable, (instead of lying here upon expense,) to square my yards by the lifts and braces, get under way, and endeavor to make the first port that has a safe harbour and good anchorage.

Therefore, On Thursday, the 29th day of this month, I will offer for sale, at my present dwelling, (on the Old Nation road, adjoining Capt. Thomas Spratt's,) without any kind of reserve, one negro fellow, one girl, 12 years old, very active and likely; 4 good work Horses; one plantation Wagon with gears; Corn, Fodder, Milch Cattle, Pork, Hogs; an elegant Terrestrial Globe, set in a mahogany frame upon brass rollers; together with beds and every necessary article of household and kitchen furniture; farming utensils, &c. All those indebted to me by note or book account, will come forward on that day and settle, as no longer indulgence will be given; and all those to whom I stand indebted, will please prepare their accounts and render them at the same time. The sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M. when the terms of sale will be made known. PETER ULRICK.

P. S.—DEBTORS, Mind, no shuffling in the ranks, as I am determined to close my business and leave this country. December 19, 1815. 1w

Groceries, &c.

THE subscribers having entered into copartnership, with a future transaction business under the firm of John McQuay & Co. They have just received an assortment of GROCERIES, together with a few Dry Goods, consisting of the following:— New England, Windward Islands, and } RUM. Jamaica, Northern and Holland Gin. L. P. Teneriffe, Madeira, and } WINES. Old Port, Cheese, Crackers, and Smoked Herrings; Albany Ale and Porter; Perfect Love, Life of Man, Cinnamon, Lemon, } CORDIALS Raspberry, Noyeau and Peppermint; Sweet Oranges, Shell Almonds, Confectionaries, Spanish Segars, Candles, Siving and Bar Soap, &c. Calicoes, of the latest and most fashionable prints; Linn and black figured Silk; With some other Articles in the Dry Good line. A few men's and women's Shoes. J. McQUAY, THOS. A. NORMENT. 1w

Packet Book found.

NEAR to the subscriber's, living 8 miles south of Charlotte, on the leading road from Camden to Charlotte, supposed to be the property of Pleasant Robinson, of Guilford county, N. C. The owner, by proving property and paying for this publication, can have it. AUGUS. ALEXANDER. Dec. 19, 1825. 3165

A Bargain for Sale.

WILL be sold, by private contract, a negro WOMAN, and her child three years old. She is a good cook, washer, ironer and seamstress, warranted of honest character, and no runaway. Terms of sale will be made known by applying to Mr. Isaac Hyams in Charlotte, and where the property may be seen. MICHL. O'FARRELL. 3165

Stray.

HEREBY give notice, that Thos. Whiteside has posted on my Stray Book an iron grey Horse, fourteen hands three inches high, eight or nine years old, with blue mane and tail. Said Whiteside lives in the Providence settlement, south of Charlotte about 12 or 15 miles. JNO. DAVIS, one of the Rangers for the county of Mecklenburg, North-Carolina. Dec. 9, 1825. 3175

State of North-Carolina, Mecklenburg County.

November Sessions, 1825. Middleton Lawing } Original Attachment, issued on a tract of land joining A. Dunn and others. Robert Lawing, } IT is ordered, by Court, that advertisement be made for three months in the Catawba Journal, for the defendant to appear at the February term, 1826, and there to reply and plead to issue, otherwise judgment will be entered against him. Test. ISAAC ALEXANDER, c. m. c. 172—price adv. \$4.

Negroes to Hire.

WILL hire, on the 2d day of January next, for one year, one negro Boy and two Girls, belonging to the estate of John Vail, deceased.—Note, at twelve months, with security, will be required. JOHN IRWIN, Junr. 3164

Notice.

THE members of the Scientific Society will meet at the house of Joseph Blackwood, on the first Saturday in January, 1826. By order of the President, A. CLARK, Sec'ry. Dec. 14, 1825. 2163

A fair Warning.

THOSE indebted to the firm of Graham & Wilkinson, and to the subscriber previous to the existence of said firm, are respectfully requested to call and make settlements between now and the first Saturday in January next.—Those who fail to comply with this moderate request, will confirm a belief that they want the indulgence that the law allows them; they will therefore have it indiscriminately, by a tap on the shoulder. A. GRAHAM. Dec. 17, 1825. 3164

Notice.

THE subscribers have formed a co-partnership in business, under the firm of A. PATTERSON & CO. G. T. HEARSEY, A. PATTERSON. Cheraw, Nov. 21, 1825.

WHOLESALE STORE.

Corner of Front and Church streets, Cheraw. A. PATTERSON & CO. Offer for sale, a general and extensive assortment of seasonable

DRY GOODS.

Hardware, Window Glass, Paints, Nails, Shoes, Hats, Umbrellas, Cotton and Wool Caris, &c.

This establishment being devoted to a business exclusively WHOLESALE, and having arrangements for constant supplies, on the most advantageous terms, is offered with confidence, as worthy the attention and notice of the Merchants of that part of the interior country, which is connected with this place as a market for its produce. Purchasers for cash or approved paper will be furnished with assortments at such prices as will not fail to be satisfactory. Nov. 21, 1825. 4165

FRESH GOODS.

THE subscribers have just received and are opening, an elegant assortment of DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, &c. which they will dispose of upon reasonable terms for cash. They solicit those who feel disposed to favor them with their custom, to call and examine for themselves. J. D. BOYD & CO. ALSO, A fresh supply of the most genuine

Medicines and Salts.

recently received, which were purchased in the cities of New-York, Philadelphia and Charleston, and which they offer at reasonable terms, to Physicians or any who may wish to purchase articles of this kind.

The following is a list of the Medicines:

- Alcohol, Lec's Pills, Aquafortis, Liquorice Ball, Arrow Root, Laudanum, Arsenic, Manna Flake, Aloes, Magnesia Lump, Arb Uva Ursi, do Calcined, Anderson's Pills, Madder, Antimony Pulv., Muriated Tinct Iron, Antiseptic Oil, Muratic Acid, Acetate Potash, Oil Peppermint, Bateman's Drops, " Cloves, Balsam Honey, " Cinnamon, Balsam Copiva, " Juniper, Bark Peruv. Red, " Vitriol, do Yellow, Oxide Bismuth, Bark Cinnamon, Opod. Iodoc, Borax, Prussic Acid, Blue Stone, Purgative, British Oil, Pearl Ash, Canella Alba, Poly. Jalap, Carbonate Ammonia, do Rhubarb, Cort. Cascailla, Pix Burgundia, Cubeb's Pepp., Puty. Antimonialis, Cheltenham Salts, do Ipecacuanha, Cathartides, Pili P. Aes, Castor Oil, in vials, Pearl Barley, do 3 pts. do. pts., Quick Silver, do quarts, Red Sanders, Cream Tartar, Rosin Yellow, Cloves, do White, Colubro Root, Spts. Lavender compd, Caustic Lunar, Spts. Nitre, bottles, Caraway Seed, do in vials, Camolol, Soda Powders, Est. Bergamot, Spts. Vcl. Aromatic, do Lemon, Stoughton's Bitters, 16 vials, do Peppermint, do Cinnamon, do in qt. bottles, Epsom Salts, Spts. Hartshorn, Glauber do, equals Fol. Senae, Extract Elettarium, Fowler's Solution, Ditto Ink, Flor. sulphur, Salt Petre, Fle Stone, S. L. QUINIST, Gum Ammoniac, Spts. Panacea, " Opium, Sal. Eratus, " Arabic, Tapioca, " Kino, Tart. Emetic, " Scammony, Tart. Salts.

PAINTS, &c.

- Gum Copal, White Vitriol, do Shellac, Spanish Brown, do Terra de Scienna, White Lead, Prussian Blue, Chrom. Yellow, Verdigris, Patent Yellow, do distilled, Gold Leaf, Stone Ochre, Silver do, Alum, Rose Pink, Umber Turk, Rotten Stone, Drop Lake, C. H. Pencils, Copal Varnish, Paint Brushes, Yellow Ochre, Sponge, fine, Red Lead, Waters, Litharge, Nutmegs, Vermillion, Scotch and Anatto, Maccoboy Shuff, Spanish Whiting, Lamp Black, Sugar Lead, Court Plaster. December 6. 61f

DR. J. D. BOYD

INFORMS his friends, that he has removed his Medicines to the Counting-room of the Store house, formerly occupied by John Boyd, but now occupied by J. D. Boyd & Co. The Doctor still continues the practice of Physic, and will attend to all applications with as much promptitude as possible. Charlotte, Dec. 6, 1825. 61f

Land for Sale.

THE subscriber has one hundred acres of good LAND for sale, all in the woods, five miles west of Charlotte, on a north fork of Sugar Creek, well situated and as productive as any in the county, for cotton, corn or wheat, and an excellent stream and seat for a Cotton Machine or a saw Mill. For further particulars, apply on the premises. JONATHAN WILLIAMS. Dec. 13, 1825. 3164

Notice.

THERE will be hired, for the term of twelve months, on Monday, the 2d day of January next, at the house of Mrs. O. Danks, a number of valuable NEGROES, and some good Land to rent for the same time. J. SMITH, Guard'n. Dec. 7, 1825.—3163

Constables' Warrants.

For sale, at this Office.