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Mr. Soule.

Extract of a letter from a distinguished moderate Republican in France—of the Cavagnac school, to his friends in Washington, dated November, 2, 1854.

The Emperor has made a mistake which is likely to affect him very seriously, in excluding your minister to Spain from France.

It seems that, about five years ago, Mr. Soule was presented to the then President of the Republic, whose attention he riveted the moment their eyes came in contact.

Repeated efforts were made to induce Mr. Soule to visit the Elisee afterwards, but they all failed; he had placed his estimate, already, on the value of the President's oaths and pledges.

At Paris he alighted and remained at one of the most central hotels in the city, in front of the Column Vendome, the same in which Louis Napoleon stayed when he was a member of the Constituent Assembly.

Mr. Soule acted precisely as all the high men of France acted, such as Cavagnac, Dupont de l'Eure, Lamartine, Arago, Edouard, Beuret, &c., &c., none of whom would ever condescend to recognize the despot who had ordered St. Arnaud to lay Paris in ruins.

Gov. Reid having resigned his office in order to fulfil his duties as U. S. Senator, his place will be filled by the Hon. Warren Winslow, Speaker of the State Senate, until Gov. Bragg is inaugurated, which will take place on the first of next January.

Thursday, which was set apart by the Governor as a day of Thanksgiving and Prayer, was observed by our citizens—the Stores were all closed and the Churches opened.

which he offered to you in the person of your minister to Spain.

The cause of Mr. Soule is the cause of France. His appointment reflects the genius of your institutions, rewarding patriotism and talent, while Frenchmen consider it as a compliment to their country, and are prepared to sustain your administration, as far as it is concerned.

Mr. Soule constitutes a bond of union and of sympathy between the two nations. Do your duty, we will do ours—depend upon it the order will be revoked, and Louis Napoleon humiliated, if you be firm and decided.

CHARLOTTE:

FRIDAY MORNING, December 1, 1854.

Governor's Message.

To the exclusion of our usual variety, we publish this week the entire message of Gov. Reid. It is a very clear and dignified public document, and discusses in a concise and statesmanlike manner the internal affairs of the State.

The principal topics treated are the Common School system, Internal Improvements, Free Suffrage, the election of Judges and Justices of the Peace by the people, the erection of two monuments in the Capitol Square, one to the memory of the soldiers of the Revolution the other to the signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, the revision of the revenue system and the State debt.

Next he recommends to the favorable consideration of the Legislature, the propriety of electing Judges and Justices of the Peace by the people, for a term of years less than for life.

In view of the full development of our Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing interests, he recommends a prudent and judicious system of Internal Improvements. The Governor then proceeds to examine the Revenue Law, and recommends several important changes, in order to equalize the burden of taxation.

The bright prospect of our State affairs, I regret to say, is somewhat clouded by the reckless spirit of fanaticism, which threatens the violation of the Constitution and the dissolution of the Union.

WASHINGTON BRUSHING UP.—The politicians from a distance are crowding in upon us already. Some fifty or sixty old-session stagers are already on the ground. They look as though "cocked and primed" for a furious onslaught upon Congress.

Mr. Wheeler, the American Minister to Nicaragua, was honored with a complimentary dinner by the Captain General of Cuba on the 8th inst. at Havana.

We know of no public improvement that is more imperatively called for by the wants of the Town than a Hall. There is no place where the citizens can meet, but the Court-House, which is inconveniently constructed for such purposes, and not always to be had when required.

U. S. Senators.

Hon. D. S. Reid has been elected to fill the place made vacant, 15 months since, by the expiration of Mr. Mangum's term—and the Hon. Asa Biggs of Martin, to supply the place of Mr. Badger, which expires on the 4th of March next.

Our correspondent from Raleigh gives a succinct account of the organization, the election of Senators, and the most important news up to date. Next week we will give a much more extended report.

Mr. Boyd has introduced a bill in favor of Free Suffrage. There will be no difficulty, we apprehend, in passing it through this session.

Mr. Houston has introduced a bill proposing to divide the State into 9 judicial circuits.

ARRIVAL OF THE BALTIC.

The steamer Baltic arrived this afternoon with Liverpool date of the 15th.

The news from the seat of war is important. Since the last advices incessant fighting, attended with terrible loss of life, had occurred before Sebastopol. On the 5th the Russians made a fierce attack on the Allies, taking several batteries and spiking the guns.

The governments of France and England had received the most urgent requests for reinforcements, from Lord Raglan and Gen. Canrobert, and 50,000 French would at once be sent.

Cotton remains firm and in fair demand. Sales of the three days, 27,000 bales. Middling Orleans 5 1/2d. Middling Upland 5 1/2d.

CONVICTED OF PIRACY.—Capt. Smith, on trial in New York for fitting out a slave ship in that port and being engaged in the slave trade, has been convicted of piracy, the punishment of which is death.

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DEATH OF AN ARMY OFFICER.—Intelligence has been received of the death by yellow fever of Brevet Maj. Gen. Wood, he died in Texas.

RALEIGH CORRESPONDENCE.

House of Commons, Raleigh, Nov. 25th, 1854. Mr. Editor:—I cannot hope, in this short and confused communication (for confused it necessarily must be when it is recollect-ed where it is written) to entertain or amuse your numerous readers.

Mr. Winslow, of Cumberland, Speaker of the Senate, and Mr. Hill, of Caswell, Speaker of the House of Commons. The former gentleman has not, heretofore, been known to the political world, this being his first appearance on the political chess board.

Subject much I have seen proper to say on the subject of the organization of the General Assembly.

All the standing Committees in both houses have been appointed, and from my limited acquaintance with the gentlemen that constitute the Committees, I can give the assurance that every section and every interest of the State of North Carolina will be acted upon with impartiality and with no other object than for her best interest and hopes.

The six years term from and after the 4th of March next, has just been filled by the election of Mr. Biggs. The Whigs voting for Mr. Badger.

In regard to Railroads but little has been done or said,—nothing publicly,—every member has his scheme, and all want help. I very much apprehend that we will find much difficulty in determining the projects most deserving of consideration.

Mr. Editor:—Having had the pleasure one day last week of rambling through the upper end of this county, crossing the Catawba River at Beatties Ford, and observing the beautiful scenery there presented to the eye, I could but be surprised that so much loveliness should

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A GREAT BRIDGE.—The great tubular bridge that is to cross the St. Lawrence, will, when completed, be one of the mechanical wonders of the age.

WEARING THE BEARD.—A great reform is going on in the matter of wearing the beards; and they now appear in untrimmed luxuriance upon the faces of men who stand at the remotest possible distance from the character of fops.

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