CHARLOTTE.

Tuesday Morning, Dec. 23, 1856.

CHRISTMAS .- Before another number of our paper shall have reached our subscribers, the Christmas Holidays, with all their which this beautiful earth can boast. land that floweth with milk and honey, lavished with an unspairing hand upon the circumstances, may need our assistance give than to receive.'

every one a merry Christmas and a happy completed or commenced. New Year.

TOWN FINANCES.

We publish to-day the Reports of the Town Clerk and Town Treasurer, showing the receipts and disbursements for the past year. The Report shows the financial condition of the town of Charlotte to be in an extraordinary good condition. The out standing debt is not precisely known, but i is thought it does not amount to more than fifteen hundred dollars. To offset this debt there is due the town upwards of eighteen hundred dollars for taxes, &c.

COUNCILLORS OF STATE.

compose the Conneil of State :

C. G. Merchant, D. G. W. Ward, Wm. D. Bethel, N. M. Long, C. M. Avery. A. A. McKoy, John Walker, of Mecklenburg.

COMPTROLLER .-- The General Assembly of North Carolina on the 15th, elected C II. Brogden State Competroller for the next two years. The vote stood Brogden 129, J. H. Lindsay 59, Mr Brooks (present incumbent) 3. Mr Brooks made a good officer, and for ourselves we must say that we are sorry he was not re-elected.

We had the pleasure of a call yesmore senses than one, who is on a Southern tour. It was Mr. Copway's design to dea glance at the assembled wisdom in the Capitol .- Wilmington Herald.

It seems to us that we saw it stated that the individual mentioned above was engaged in making abolition speeches at the North within the last two or three years, or he ndvocated abolitionism in a paper which he published in New York. If we are correct the sooner he is harried out of the State the better. We may be wrong in our opinion-if so we would like to know it.

The Legislature of South Carolina adjourned on Saturday last, after a session of four weeks.

A GOOD LAW .- A bill has been passed by the South Carolina Legislature requiring the registration of births, deaths and mar-

A provision of the act requires the Tax Collector to require, with his tax returns, on oath, a report of all births, deaths and marriages within his family or care. For neglect of duty the Tax Collector is liable to a fine of five dollars for each case, and three cents for each entry.

California .- In this State the State of ficers and both Congressmen are Demo cratic. Senate-18 Democrats, 12 Know Nothings and 3 Republicans. Assembly-60 Democrats, 8 Know Nothings and 11 Republicans.

Baltimore has arrived, with Liverdool dates

to December 3d. She reports the Cotton market firmprices unchanged. Sales of four days 18,-

Breadstuff firm-quotations unchanged. Provisions dull.

presidential contest.

John Van Buren, in a letter to a Democratic Committee in Boston, says that Gen. Scott voted for Buchanan.

At the recent Alabama State Fair, the premium for the largest production of cot-

to Charles A. Peabody. The Agricultural Society passed a resolution offering a reward of \$10,000 for the discovery of a mode to secure the cotton planter from the ravages of the boll worm. land service on 1st of July was \$6,526,028. is next to no editor at all.

AYETTEVILLE AND COAL FIELD RAILROAD.

The bill to aid in the construction of the Railroad from Fayetteville to the Coal Fields in Chatham county, was under consideration in the Legislature last week, and was lost in the House (we are sorry to say) by one vote.

When we consider the mineral wealth that will be developed by the proposed Road, the small and inconsiderable aid asked from the State, and the injury Favetteville and pleasant concomitants, will have passed that section of country has sustained by the by. Our friends in this section are as well building of other Roads by the State, we prepared for enjoying the festivities of the are surprised that the bill should meet with season, as those of any other region of such unrelenting opposition; and some of those who oppose it ought to be the last ones to undertake to defeat the measure .where beef and pork abounds, and where For instance we find A. M. Lewis, Esq., of all the comforts and luxuries of life are Wake, speaking against the bill. This shows a narrow and contracted public spirit inhabitants, surely affords sufficient mate- on his part. As an evidence that Mr. Lewis rial for the gratification and enjoyment of knew but little if anything of the matter all and every one. But while we are thus under consideration we refer to his remarks enjoying the bounties of Providence, let us where he said he was in favor of improving not forget the source from whence all our Deep River instead of aiding in the concomforts come; but let us lift our thoughts, struction of the Road. The State has alaccompanied with our heart-felt thanks, to ready spent several hundred thousand dolthe "giver of every good and perfect gift," lars on the River and the work is no nearer who supplieth us with benefits, and feedeth | completion now than it was three years ago. "the young lions when they cry unto him." A resolution has been passed by the Legis-And let us not forget those who, in humble lature for employing an Engineer to inspect the work and report upon its practicability! recollecting that "it is more blessed to This is late in the day to talk about the practicability of the scheme after the State Our acquaintance with our Patrons has has already wasted a large amount in probeen short but pleasant-only a few have secuting it. Yet Mr. Lewis is in favor of we had the pleasure of speaking to face to appropriating more aid to assist in building face; we would like to make the acquaint- dams across a river that have been and will ance of all; for as "iron sharpeneth iron." be swept away by every freshet, and opposso doth the face of a subscriber brighten ed to granting the name of the State by that of his friend, the Editor. We invite way of security to aid in constructing a Road all, therefore, to call at our sanctum when that will do more to develope the resources convenient. Meanwhile we wish each and of North Carolina than any work heretofore

But we did not intend to offer opposition to the River improvement when we commenced this article. We have been led to these remarks by seeing a disposition on the part of gentlemen (Mr. Lewis among the rest) whose sections have been sustained and built up by State aid, to defeat and kill of a simple act of justice to Fayetteville and that section of the State-a section which pays a large amount into the Treasury but has received no benefit in comparion with other portions of the State.

We hope the bill will pass as a matter of justice if nothing else. All know the value of the coal mines in Chatham county, and On Wednesday last, the N. C. Legisla- all profess to entertain a desire to have our ture elected the following gentlemen to resources developed, therefore let proper assistance be rendered to the scheme under consideration and to all other landable schemes, and the time will soon arrive when the Old North State will support her government with the dividends derived from works of internal improvement, without resorting to high taxation.

GREENSBORO' AND DANVILLE RAILROAD.

There is a bill before the Legislature to charter this Road. It asks for nothing but a charter, which we hope will be granted. The measure no doubt will meet with opposition on the ground that it may injure other works in which the State is interested: terday from Geo. Copway, the Indian Chief but that is certainly not a good reason for and Lecturer, and Native American, in refusing to allow the people of any portion of the State to expend their money on works liver a lecture or lectures in this place, but of internal improvement. Are not the people city, Iredell county. The bills to amend he concluded not to do so until his return. the State, and why set up one portion and the charter of the Western Plank Road He left for Raleigh in the afternoon to take keep down another? Are the citizens of a Company and the Charlotte and Statesville particular section to be deprived of the Plank Road were passed 3d time. Mr W. benefits of a Road upon which to transport | R. Myers introduced a bill authorizing the their produce to market, merely because the State might not derive quite as large a divi- tain cases in open court. A bill was introdend from works in which she has invested | duced to incorporate a Bank to be located if the proposed charter was granted ? Away at Raleigh-also, a bill to make railroad with such a contracted policy. We find a communication in the Standard of Saturday, signed "W." in opposition to granting a charter, which we may have occasion to reply to hereafter.

CONGRESSIONAL

In the House of Representatives on the 15th, resolutions in opposition to the slave trade were adopted by 95 majority.

Mr Orr, of South Carolina, submitted resolution that it is inexpedient, unwise and contrary to the settled policy of the United States to repeal the laws prohibiting the African slave trave. It was adopted; yeas 183, navs 8-Messrs, Barksdale, Bennett of Miss., Brooks, Keitt, Quitman, Shorter, Wright of Miss., Walker.

But little business has been transacted for the discharge of his duty he is allowed in either House. There is a bill before the House of Representatives for the better organization of the army, in which provision of the officers. This is earnestly pressed.

prominent on the House calendar. In the House on the 16th, Mr Campbell Foreign News.—The steamer City of reported a bill to amend the tariff of 1842, so as to prohibit the importation of indecent and obscene prints, transparencies, statuettes, &c. The bill was passed. On motion of Mr Campbell the bill reducing the duties on imports, reported last session, was

postponed till the first Tuesday in January. POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT.—The Post-WASHINGTON Dec. 15 .- It was reported master General's report shows the number interfere with the existing law which now in the House to-day that Mr. Stephens, of of Post Offices in June 30, 1856, to have gives her half the estate. Georgia has sent a challenge, or note pre- been 25,565—being an increase of 4,664 in A law of this sort, if practicable in its liminary thereto, to Mr. Hill one of the four years. On the 30th of June there provisions, would surely do justice to those Fillmore electors of that State. Their dif- were in operation nearly 8,000 mail-routes, to whom sufficiently small protection has ficulties grew out of a question of veracity the length of which is estimated at 239.642 been heretofore given. We would almost concerning the terms agreed on by them for conducting public discussion during the miles, costing \$6,356,474, divided as followed approve a law still more comprehensive, approve a law still more comprehensi lows: 20,323 miles of railroad. 14,951 of and favorable to the widow, viz: that all the steamboat, and 50,453 coach lines, and property of the deceased husband, however nearly 154,000 miles of inferior grades. acquired, after paying his debts, should, The increase during the last fiscal year was under such circumstances, be hers abnearly 20,000 miles of railroad, and 332 solutely .-- Raleigh Register. miles of steamboat, 1,250 miles of coach lines, and 8,200 miles of inferior grades. ton from one acre of land, (3,010 lbs.) was In Nebraska and Kansas 2,238 miles were given to Dr. Kennon Jones, from what added to the length of routes. Between county of the State we are uninformed .- 1856, the railroad service was increased The premium for the largest production of 10,177 miles, exhibiting the fact that within corn from one acre (95 bushels) was given that time this description of service was more than doubled. On the 1st of December, 1856, the length of railroad routes had increased to 21,310 miles, and the total cost for this service at that date amounted to \$2,403,747. The whole cost of the in-

LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.

Correspondence of the Western Democrat.

RALEIGH, DEC. 19, 1856. MR EDITOR: In the Senate, to-day, the bill regulating the standard weight of grain was taken up and discussed at considerable length by Senators. It was, on motion of Mr Cunningham, postponed for further consideration until the 4th of March next, by a vote of 27 to 7; this of course killed the

The House, after having consumed three or four days on the bill to charter the "Peoples' Bank," has just taken a vote on | 880. its second reading-57 for to 55 againstpassing it by two votes. This question, to a considerable extent, has assumed a party aspect. It is to be regretted that an Institution of this kind, affecting so largely the 908 various interests of the State, should assume a party character. By reference to the charter you will observe that it is quite a different thing from the charter of the "Peoples' Bank" as proposed two years | 980 ago. The only feature different from other Banks-and common to all similar institutions-is that of a pre-emption right of certain classes of our people to all the Stock of said Bank. It proposes to prefer to this enjoyment, the Stockholders in all the Railroads of the State, provided the entire length of said roads are within the limits of

In the Senate, the Bill to construct the Cheraw and Coal Field Railroad, after considerable discussion, was lost by several votes. A motion was made to reconsider, pending which, a motion to adjourn prevailed. The Bill to re-charter the State Bank was made the special order of the day for Monday. Notwithstanding the passage of the "People's Bank" on its second reading, and the efforts being made on the part of the friends of that Bank to destroy and defeat the State Bank charter, I have but little doubt of its passage-there can be no doubt of it in the Senate at least-and I cannot believe it is possible to prevent its passage in the House.

The greatest possible amount of opposi tion is being brought to bear against the Danville Road. You will observe a communication in the Standard, which is designed to array opposition against the passage of the Bill. If this unjust legislation is persisted in, I hope the people in tha section of the country will go to work, in defiance of Law, and construct that great work. Were it in Mecklenburg it would be built. There are stout hearts and strong arms enough in the home of Liberty to re sist wrong and oppression come from what ever source it may. They would go to work with pick in hand, and rifle, if necessary to the enforcement of right and the putting down of the exercise of an arbitrary and unjust discrimination. It is not sufficient that taxes are enforced for other works o internal improvement, but we are prohibited from the poor privilege of employing our own means in a way that we may think is likely to result to our advantage. This is downright oppression-oppression that no free people could be expected to submit to.

In the Senate on the 15th, Mr Win. R Myers introduced a bill to amend the act of 1838 incorporating Davidson College. Mr | Poor, 7 cents per \$100 value real Sharp a bill to incorporate a Bank at Eagle examination of the wife as a witness in cercompanies pay for stock killed by their

In the House, a resolution to adjourn on the 8th January was rejected. Mr Sharpe offered a resolution to loan \$10,000 to Concord Presbyterian Female College, which was referred to the committee on education.

Senate, 16th, 17th and 18th. The Com mittee reported against repealing the clause prohibiting the issue of small notes. Mr W. H. Thomas indroduced a bill instructing the judiciary committee to inquire into the expediency of uniting the N. C. Western and the Charlotte Railroads. Mr Reeves introduced a resolution to expunge from the Statute book the "Mexican preamble."

In the House, the bill to repeal that portion of the revised code which relates to fire hunting at night, was passed. The bill to incorporate the Greensboro' and Danville Railroad was introduced into the House .is made for an increase of the compensation | It was agreed that no bill or resolution of a public nature should be considered from The Senate bill to authorize the construct the 24th instant to the 1st January, in ortion of ten (steam) sloops of war, stands | der to allow members to spend the holidays

The bill introduced by Mr Waddill relative to widows, is one of great importance. It provides that all of the property which may have come by the widow, in marriage, and its increase, in case there be no child, shall be hers, and not descend to the nearest of kin on the husband's side. And in case there may not have been any property coming into the estate, it does not

----EDITORS.-The N. H. Telegraph is of the opinion that an editor who cannot stop right in the midst of one of the finest trains of thought that he is putting on paper, to minute the dimensions of a huge pumpkin, or write an advertisement of dog lost, or enter the name of a new subscriber, or take pay for an old one, and after all, to resume 'the thread of his discourse,' and carry out the idea in its original force and beauty.

COMPTROLLER'S REPORT.

We acknowledge the receipt from Wm M. Matthews, Esq., of a copy of the Report the fiscal year ending Oct. 31, 1856. From this valuable document we extract the number of acres of Lewl and its value, and amount of town property in each County

Anson County-Acres of land 324,722, valuation \$1,502,697—town property, \$66,

Cabarrus-Acres of land 218,408, valuation \$1,602,469 75-town property, \$121,

Catawba-Acres of land 245,994, valuation \$1,044,327-town property, \$24,599. Cleaveland-Acres of land 268,146, valuation \$965,146—town property, \$86,-

Craven-Acres of land 506,338, valuation \$875,701—town property, \$615,800 Cumberland-Acres of land 585,075 valuation \$1,244,247-town property, \$721-

Davidson-Acres of land 362,689, valuation \$1,637,481-town property, \$54,555. Davie-Acres of land 163,361, valuaion \$913,991—town property, \$61,150.

Gaston-Acres of land 217,044, valuation \$946,780-town property. \$25,575. Iredell-Acres of land 312,724, valuation \$1,271,265 -- town property, \$80,875.

Lincoln-Acres of land 181,100, valuation \$839,986-town property, 141,045. New Hanover-Acres of land 676,743 valuation \$1,142,177—town property, \$3,-260,355.

Rowan-Acres of land 314,696, valuation \$1,687,545—town property, \$395,641. Union-Acres of land 360,500, valuation \$1,038,196-town property, \$44,533. Wilkes-Acres of land 404,092, valuaion \$835,416—town property, \$20,875.

Wake-Acres of land 577,963, valuation \$2,526,172-town property, \$713,550. MECKLENBURG COUNTY. The following is a statement of the taxes

collected from Mecklenburg county: Acres of land, 310.686 \$1,689,513 Valuation of land, Town property,* \$498,075 Number of Pells, 4,264 STATE TAXES.

	Land,	1,000
t	Town property,	599 3
	Pall	1.711 6
n	Interest received.	1.793 3
t	Dividend and profit,	85 1
d	Lawyers, Physicians, &c.,	194 0
on.	Mortgages, Deeds, &c.,	35 0
5	Stud Horses,	41.0
	Marriage License,	20.0
-	Pistols and Knives,	8.0
k	Dirks and Canes,	1.0
ö.	Gold Watches,	231 0
	Silver do.	61 2
5	Pianos \$60, Plate 24.10,	84 1
d	Pleasure Carriages,	428 5
t	Playing Cards,	13 7
f		8443
d	Pedlars \$60, Taverns \$30,	90.0
	Circuses, &c.,	165 0
r	Retailers \$200, Billiard tables \$100,	300 0
S	Livery Stables,	30 0
s	Privileged Voters,	16 4
0	Liquor Traffic,	267 7
ŭ.	Auctioneers,	27
*	Insurance Companies,	100 0
	Collateral Descent.	565 6

Total amount. COUNTY TAXES. estate, and 15 cents per poll, \$2,170 91 Common Schools, 5 do., and 10 do. 1,520 19 County expenses, 11 do., and 25 do. 3,472 34

Total amount, \$7,163 44 *The commissioners of Charlotte valued the Town property, at the last assessment, at five hundred and ninety-five thousand two hundred

SUICIDE.

We received the following communication from a gentleman in Chatham, giving us the particulars of a dreadful act of self

This will inform you that Malcom Sinclair of this county, aged 75 or 80 years, committed suicide by cutting his throat on the 18th ult. He was a single man; never was married, and resided with his sister, a lady without any family. These two persons being the only members of the family, the sister being also between 70 and 80 years of age, and so much afflicted at the time that she was not able to get off her bed without help. In this situation he (Malcom) left her on the day before named, telling her he was going to a neighbor's house and would soon return. She remained alone until the next day at 10 o'clock when some person passed near her house and heard her cries. Search was then made by the neighbors for Malcom. When found he was about a mile from home; his own razor bloody in his hat, and he a few feet from the hat, with his throat cut to the No cause for the rash act is known .-

He was a man of good character and had plenty to support himself comfortably on .-Fayetteville Carolinian.

PAY OF UNITED STATES ARMY OFFI-ERS .- The Committee on Military Affairs in the House of Representatives have reported a bill which, it is stated, increases the pay of all commissioned officers, at the rate of \$20 per month, with the addition of 10 cents in the commutation of rations .-The equity of this measure, it is further stated consists in the proportion of increase of pay to the young officers, whose limited income make them the objects of so many hardships. The Lieutenant gets his \$20 a THE COMMISSIONER'S ELECTION. month, equally with the Colonel or General. An officer whose pay is \$40, gets \$60 under | pal officers was yesterday re-elected withthe provisions of this bill-being an increase of 50 per cent .- while the officer who now receives \$200, receives \$220-an increase of 10 per cent. The 10 cents additional on the ratio preserve the equality of compensation under the longevity ration

PREACHER MARRIED IN HIS OWN PUL-PIT .- The congregation of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, in Louisville, were considerably startled a few evenings ago, it is said, by the Rev. Mr. Newman, the pastor of the church, descending from the pulpit, after closing his discourse, and selecting a young lady who had consented to become his helpmeet, to whom he was immediately joined in the holy bonds of wed-

POPULAR VOTE FOR PRESIDENT.

The New York Journal of Commerce has a table, which contains, in effect, the whole of the Comptroller of Public Accounts for vote of the United States for President, except a few counties, townships, plantations, &c., which were excluded on account of informality, or were returned too late to be counted, or not returned at all. Omitting these, the total vote

For Buchanan, is For Fremont, 522,951

1.393.097

870,146

Buchanan over Fremont, Buchanan and Fillmore over Fremont Fremont and Fillmore over Buchanan. Fillmore's vote is

Total number of votes returned in season to be counted, Exclusive of a few hundred votes for Jerrit Smith.

Buchanan's vote is larger by a quarter of a million than was ever before given for

Presidential candidate. ----THE WESTERN TERRITORIES.

There are now open for settlement the territories of Minnessota, Oregon, Nebraska, Washington, New Mexico, Utah and Kansas. These territories contain, according to a compendium of the census of 1850, the following area:

Minnessota.........166,025 square miles. Oregon 585,035 Nebraska............335,882 Total,......1,286.000

Kansas..... 114,798 The first named six territories contain 1,386,136 square miles of land and a total area of all the States and territories belonging to the Union is 2,036,166 square miles; they comprise nearly one-half of the whole. They run through some seventeen or eighteen degrees of latitude, and embrace millions of acres of the finest land, and mineral deposits, in the finest climate, and on the finest river in the world.

LARGE SALE OF SLAVES .- The Raleigh Standard states that some 230 slaves of T. P. Devereux, Esq., were sold at Halifax, in this State, on the 2d inst., and brought an everage of about \$600 each. The most of them were taken by the planters in Halifax and surrounding counties.

A letter from Lexington, Ga., December 2d, to the Augusta Chronicle, says: About 00 \$100,000 worth of property was sold here to-day-land and negroes. Some of the sales were ahead of anything we have ever heard. A negro girl 13 years old, sold for 00 \$1.280; another girl, 14 years old, sold for 1,280 dollars; another girl, 14 years old, for 1,305 dollars; another girl, 18 years old, for 1,500 dollars; a boy, 18 years old, for 1.200 dollars; a fellow, 22 years old, for 1.500 dollars.

PAYING A MEMBER FOR DOING NOTH-ING .- The act of last session for compensating members of Congress pays members about 25 dollars per day for attendance, and deducts \$8 331 for each day's absence; so that a member who stays away during his whole term, will henceforth be entitled to draw about 4,000 dollars from the treasury. This is a pretty good premium for doing nothing. If the principle is right of making a deduction on account of absence, the amount deducted should at least be equal to the amount received for being present.—Phil. Ledger.

TP An expedition, comprising 500 Irishmen, is fitting out in New York, it is said, for Nicaragua. It proceeds via Omoa,

DECLINE IN THE PRICE OF IRON.

A writer in the Manchester, Eng., Guardian, complains of the gloomy prospects of the iron trade and says that unless some improvement takes place, several firms will have to reduce the number of hands and work short in a time. He says:

The decline in the demand for iron from America, has been one of the chief sources of depression. In 1853-4 there was an exceedingly large demand for iron from America, an increase of one third having taken place in the value of the exports from also, a large lot of common ones, so those 1852-3. The American crisis of 1854 that want can smoke at any price, from 1 to caused a reaction, which the magnificent crops of the last and present year have removed. The stocks in the States are for chewing and smoking. known to be small, but notwithstanding this fact, the orders have been on a scale much below the average. This state of things has ruled in Staffordshire as well as in these counties, and the important question of a reduction in prices will force itself upon the attention of iron masters at the ensuing quarterly meetings. While bar iron continues at £9 per ton the iron makers in the United States become formiable competitors with the English manufacturer; and if the price of iron were reduced to £8 per tonwhich will, in all probability be the case at the next meeting-the American demand would to a great extent be regained. Indeed we have heard it contended that the price should be reduced to £7 per ton. It is impossible for iron masters at the present price of labor and material to make iron remuneratively at less than £9 per ton It follows, therefore, that whatever be the amount of the reduction in price, a corresponding decline will be made in the wages of the men-a step very undersirable during the present high prices of provisions.

The entire American ticket for municiout opposition. The following is the votes: H. P. Russell, 212

Scattering 5. The exceeding slimness of the vote shows the lack of interest felt in this election .-The town can poll probably five times the number cast on yesterday .- Wilmington

Whole number of votes polled 219;

than their bennets.

MARRIED,

In Duplin county, on the 18th inst., Mr Danl Herring, aged 62 years, to Miss Lydia J. Rasburry, aged 20 years.

In Anson county, on the 14th inst., Green B. Lisenby to Miss Ellen Sikes.

In Montgomery county, on the 9th inst, Rev Z. Rush of the N. C. Conference to Miss Tabitha Jane, daughter of Dr Joseph Ewing.

In Rowan county, on the 7th inst., Mr Moses Linn to Miss Elizabeth Wormington. Also, on the 11th inst., Mr Robert S. Gook to Miss Mary In Wilmington, on the 18th instant, Mr James

D. Radeliffe, formerly of Columbia, S.C., to Miss 347,195 | Elizabeth Drane.

DIED.

In this town, on the 15th inst., Mary Pauline infant of John and Catharine C. Phelan, aged 7

At his residence, in Union county, on the 18th instant, Joshua Sikes, Esq. High Sheriff of the county, after a protracted illness of one month. Another good man is gone, and the citizens of Union deprived of a kind-hearted and efficient

In Davie county, on 23d ultimo, Miss R. R. Frost. She graduated with the first honor in Greensboro F. College. Her end was peace.

In Guilford county, on 4th inst. Rev Thomas Jones, a member of the M. E. Conference. Also recently, Col John M Cunningman, aged 45. In Rowan county on the 3d inst., Mrs Susannah Seaford, in the 81st year of her age. Also, on the 8th inst., Martha Catharine Beaver, aged In Iredell county, Elizabeth Patten, wife of

Daniel Brawley, aged about 59 years. Also, on the 29th ultimo, Mr David Reid, aged 82 years

To Hire.

THE negroes belonging to J. B. & H. Lowrie, (minors,) will be hired for the next 12 months, on the first day of January, 1857, at the public square in the town of Charlotte. P. J. LOWRIE, Guardian.

Dec. 23, 1856.

NEGRO HIRING. 30 valuable Negroes to Hire. On the first day of January, 1857, 8 VALUA-BLE GOLD MINERS, belonging to the heirs

of John McLeary, dec'd, will be hired out. H. B. WILLIAMS, Guardian. Dec. 23d.

Notice. On Tuesday the 30th December, the Negroes will be Hired and the Land Rented longing to the Estate of Wm. Lee, dec'd, fo ne ensuing year. Also the Saw Mill will be Rented. J. W. BARNETT, Adm'r

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.

I will sell, on Monday of January Court, the STORE-HOUSE and DWELLING attached, known as the J. K. Harrison property. Also,

4 Unimproved Lots in the Town of Charlotte, and 500 Acres of Land in Union County. Terms made known on day of Sale. H. B. WILLIAMS, Trustee.

Dec. 23, 1856. EXCHANGE & COLLECTION OFFICE.

CHARLOTTE, N. C. Office Up Stairs in new Brick Building of posite Boone & Co's shoe store. Drafts on New York and Charleston, S. C. Gold and Silver, and uncurrent Bank Bills BOUGHT AND SOLD. And special attention paid to the collection of

JOHN McRORIE & CO., Dec 23, 1856 5t Charlotte, N. C. Whig copy 1m

NEW

We have just received and are now opening he Largest Stock of Imported CIGARS ever rought to this market, viz: Emperatus Eugenia, La Real Londres, Flora de Charleston, Consules Opera,

Rio Hondo, Washington, Jenny Lind Plantation, Regalia, And others,

All imported Cigars, 10 cents a piece. Also, a fine lot of Tobacco,

To the Ladies we would say, call and see our Confectionaries, and get something good for the Holidays.

PINE APPLES. ORANGES, COCOA.NUTS. RAISINS, AND NUTS, CANDIES of all KINDS. TO THE BOYS

We would say we have a large lot of Fire Works That we are determined to sell cheap for cash.

DON'T FORGET to call at N. Wilkinson & Co's New Stand, on the burnt district, opposite Boone & Co's shoe store. N. WILKINSON & CO. Charlotte, Dec. 23, 1856.

Notice.

Whereas George Wilson, a white indentured Apprentice to me, has absconded from my employ without my consent, this is therefore to notify the public against crediting him on my account as I will not be responsible for any debts he may contract. All persons are forewarned against employing or karboring him. Any one delivering him to me will be suitably rewarded. He is about 18 years old.

Dec. 23, 1856.

Notice.

1 WILL expose to public sale to the highest | House in the town of Wadesborough, bidder on Friday the 2d day of January, 1857, the following property, viz: The Rea House and Lots attached; also, the Hunter Houses of the Capital Stock of the Bank of Wadesboand Lots, together with other unimproved rough, Lots. Terms of sale, negotiable paper payable at the Branch Bank of the State of N. C. at Charlotte. Sale will positively take place at the public square in Charlotte on the day set forth. Any person desirous of purchasing lars each,-the property of the late Mrs. Ann. will do well to examine said property previous P. Leak, dec'd. to sale R. M. STERLING. Dec. 23, 1856.

Annual Settlements.

Those indebted to this Office for subscription A SENTIMENT .- The Ladies .- May their | advertising or job work, will find their accounts virtues exceed even the magnitude of their ready. A settlement is respectfully requested will save cost by settling on or before January skirts, while their faults are still smaller by the commencement of the New Year, or as soon thereafter as convenient. W J. YATES Dec. 24, 1856.

VALUABLE HOTEL

IN CHARLOTTE, FOR SALE.

BY virtue of a Deed of Trust to me executed, will offer at public sale, upon the premises, at I o'clock, P. M., on the 27th of January next, being Tuesday of County Court, the Hotel known as the

RAIL ROAD BOTEL, situated contiguous to the depots of the Charlotte and South Carolina and the North Carolina Rail Roads in Charlotte. The Hotel building is entirely new, commodious and tasty in appearance, and so located as to give commanding advantage a

for the patronage of the through travel of both

TERMS-The purchaser will give notes with opproved security, due one half in six and the other in twelve months, bearing interest from JOHN A. YOUNG, Trustee. December 23, 1856.

Sale of Negroes.

EIGHT LIKELY NEGROES FOR SALE public outery, on the 31st inst., at Stowe's ictory, in Gaston County, by order of Court. JASPER STOWE, Guardian. Dec. 23, 1856-2t

To Exchange, TOWN Lots-improved or unimproved-for

egroes. Apply at this office. Dec. 23, 1856. 25-4t

. EDGEWORTH FEMALE SEMINARY

Greensborough, Il. C. IME next Session of this Institution will com mence on Friday, January 2d, 1857. The course of study is designed to embrace verything necessary to a substantial and rnamental Education. Great pronence is given to the SOLID BRANCHES. Neither labor nor expense has been spared to secure Instructors of the highest qualifications in their various departments, and to make Edge-

worth second to no Institution in the country,

in everything necessary to a complete Educa-

For circulars containing Terms, Course of Instruction, &c., apply to RICHARD STERLING, Principal.

Dec. 23, 1856.

THE MARKETS.

Charlotte, Dec. 23, 1856. BACON, Hams per lb -..... 12 to 121

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY T. M. FARROW.

Sides, per lb 114 to 12 Hog round 11 to 00 Bagging, cotton, per yard..... 22 Beef, per lb 4 to T Butter, per lb...... 15 to 18 Beeswax, per lb. 20 to 22 Beans, per bushel..... COTTON, new, per lb. 103 to 114 Coffee, per lb Rio...... 124 to 15 " Java..... 18 to 20 Sperm..... Tallow CORN, per bushel.... Chickens, each 124 ot 15 CLOTH, Copperas..... 12 to 15 insey..... 25 to 30 FLOUR, per 100 lbs 3 00 to 3 12 per bbl...... 6 25 to 6 50 Feathers, per lb...... 33 to 374 Herrings, per bbl. \$4 to 61 Lard, per lb 124 to 00 " Common...... 60 to 70 SUGAR, Loaf...... 18 to 20 Brown 124 to 164 Tea. per lb..... Stone-ware, per gal Pork, per lb..... Northern, per bushel, Sweet, per bushel.... Wheat, per bushel...... 1.20 to 1.30 Whiskey, Western, per gal..... 60 to 65 WOOL, best washed,..... 27 to 28

unwashed. 23 Yarn, bale ... 90 to 95 Clover Seed, per bushel. ... \$12 to 99 REMARKS .- Cotton has advanced; the receipts of the past week have been large at prices ranging from 104 to 114. Flour has advanced; we quote family at \$6 65. and common to extra brands at \$6 to \$6 50.

Wheat firm at \$1 20 to \$1 30. Produce of all kinds is bringing fair

COLUMBIA MARKET, Dec. 19 Our market continues brisk. All Cotton offered is freely taken at yesterday's quotations. Four hundred bales were sold to-

day at from 11 to 11% cents. CHARLESTON MARKET. A correspondent sends us the following

remarks on the Charleston market COTTON-Our cotton market is very firm and prices tending upward. Sales at 114 to 124c. FLOUR-Superfine flour is in fair demand at 74 to \$8 per bbl; fine 7 to \$74; extra family 84 to \$84. Rice 34 to 34 cts.

The Bank of Charlotte, N. C.

9TH DECEMBER, 1856. HE Board of Directors have this day declar-. ed a dividend of 4 per cent on the Capital Stock of the Bank. The same will be paid to the Stockholders on and after the 1st Monday in Jan-W. A. LUCAS, Cashier, Dec. 16, 1856-2w

TO HIRE, ON the first of January next, at the public square in Charlotte,

18 or 20 Negroes, belonging to Mary A. Williamson, one of the heirs of John Williamson, deceased. J. M. HUTCHISON, Guardian. Dec. 16, 1856-3t

BANK STOCK

and State Bonds for Sale. WILL be offered for sale to the highest bidder, on a credit of six months, on Tuesday the 15th day of January next, at the Court

191 Shares

100 Shares

the Capital Stock of the Bank of Charlotte. Also, Five State Bonds of One Thousand Dol-W. R. LEAK. Executors.

Dec. 16, 1856-3t Take Notice.

All persons indebted to the old firm of B KOOPMANN & CO., either by Note or Account, Court, as longer indulgence cannot be given.