

FOR CONGRESS. HON. BURTON CRAIG, OF ROWAN COUNTY.

LECTURE

Thomas M. Smith, Esq., has kindly consented to deliver a Lecture before the Mecklenburg Athenaeum to-morrow (Wednesday) evening at the Court House.

THE CROPS

If the accounts our exchanges bring us of the growing crops are correct, (and we have no reason to doubt them) we may confidently expect an unusually large harvest.

For the bright prospect of a plentiful harvest, let all return thanks to a merciful Providence for His goodness to the children of men.

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THE TRACT SOCIETY, AGAIN.

We have received from Mr. W. J. W. Crowder, General Agent of the American Tract Society for N. C., a copy of a communication prepared for the "N. C. Christian Advocate," explaining, or attempting to do so, the action of said Society on the slavery question.

But Mr. Crowder says that the Agents in the South will not distribute tracts containing anything against slavery, and that if anything of the kind is published by the society the public shall be promptly informed of it—that the conservative members of the society number eight to one over the ultras—and with such a majority to vote with the South, officers can be elected who will exclude all improper matter from the tracts.

Mr. Crowder's communication came to hand after our columns were mostly filled for this week, or we would take pleasure in laying it before our readers.

New York.—The difficulties in New York with regard to the city government have not yet been settled.

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INGRATITUDE.

Gen. Walker, the Nicaraguan filibuster, has been travelling through the country making speeches in regard to his operations in Nicaragua, and explaining the causes that induced him to abandon his position.

It is stated that Walker has been to Washington and had an interview with the President, but what was said has not transpired.

From the tone of his speeches, the impression is that he intends returning to Nicaragua as soon as he can raise the necessary force and means.

Walker is a man of some noble parts. He would make an excellent Governor for Utah territory.

DAVIDSON COLLEGE.

We are requested to say that the Baccalaureate Sermon will be delivered before the Graduating Class of Davidson College by the Rev. J. L. Kirkpatrick, of Charleston, S. C., on the 12th of July—the Sabbath preceding Commencement Day.

The exercises of Wednesday afternoon will consist of a valedictory to the Eumenaeon Society by R. H. Banks of Arkansas, and a response to the same by D. A. Townsend of Marion District, S. C.

At night a contest will take place between the representatives of the two Societies.

The proceedings of Thursday will open with a Latin Salutatory by H. H. Banks, of Eldorado, Arkansas.

The Commencement Exercises of "United Baptist Institute," Taylorsville, N. C., took place week before last.

The Valedictory Sermon was preached by Rev. James McDaniel, in the afternoon on Thursday, to a large and attentive assembly in the new chapel.

Most PRAISEWORTHY.—The Chertaw Gazette says: We learn upon undoubted authority, that a citizen of our district, John Wilkes, Esq., who was fortunate enough last season to make corn to spare, has constantly refused to take more than \$1 per bushel for his corn, while it was selling at from \$1.25 to \$1.50 all round him.

HYDROPHOBIA.

THE MAD STONE.—A gentleman by the name of Stokes, from Iredell, N. C., spent a day here last week on his way home from the house of Mr. Joseph Pointer, of Person county, whither he had been to test the virtues of a celebrated Mad Stone in Mr. Pointer's possession.

Of the virtues of this Mad Stone we know nothing personally, but many persons of intelligence and the highest respectability are prepared to vouch for its many cures in cases of hydrophobia, snake and spider bites, &c.

Mr. Sarah, South, wife of the venerable Bishop Soule, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, died near Nashville, on the 20th ult.

LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT.

Gen. Walker has addressed a letter to the President of the United States in relation to Nicaraguan affairs, explaining the objects of his mission to Nicaragua and the circumstances attending his evacuation of that country.

In the month of May, 1854, a few exiles from Nicaragua landed in the port of Reno, declared against the then existing Government of the Republic, and secured, within two months, possession of nearly all the principal places in the State.

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EPITAPHS.

We suppose there is more hard lying on tombstones than in all the books in the world. How is it that man's good qualities should never come out till he is in the ground?

Let us suppose that Jones, after an absence of twenty years, re-visits his native village of Squash Hollow and takes a morning stroll with Brown in the Cemetery, where so many of his old neighbors,

Each in his narrow cell forever laid, The (very) rude forefathers of the hamlet sleep, We can fancy Jones' astonishment when he comes to the grave of Sniggs, and finds under a little owl—intended for a cherub, fluttering—without anything to sit upon, it having been cut away to let it soar—an inscription that it is "Sacred to the Memory of John Sniggs, who was a model husband, son, father, grandfather, &c."

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KANSAS AFFAIRS.—A telegraphic dispatch from St. Louis, dated June 17th, says:

"The Topeka (Kansas) convention met on the 4th inst., and declared the admission of Kansas under the Topeka constitution to be the only method of adjusting the existing difficulties.

The Free State Legislature met in secret session on the 10th, and the next day elected W. A. Phillips to be United States Senator in the place of Gen. Lane.

WASHINGTON, June 19.—Emery D. Potter, ex-member of Congress from Ohio, has been tendered and has accepted the appointment of one of the vacant Judgeships in Utah.

Jas. Banks, Esq., of Fayetteville, delivered the annual address at the commencement of Floral College, Robeson county, on the 9th inst.

NEW FLOUR.—The Charleston Standard of the 14th inst., says that Messrs. Lafitte & Co., received on Friday night, the first lot of new flour of the present crop.

Mr. Speaker Banks has been nominated for Governor of Massachusetts.

The election in Minnesota Territory of delegates to form a State Constitution, has resulted in the complete triumph of the Democracy. This secures another Democratic State.

Mr. Jones—How pretty your bonnet looks my dear.

Mrs. Jones—Lor, Henry, it is quite an old one.

Mr. Jones—That fact constitutes its chief prettiness, my economical love.

MARRIED, On Wednesday the 10th inst., Mr. M. H. Gwynn, of Wilkesboro, N. C., to Miss Nannie Hill, daughter of Burrill Wood, of Randolph county, N. C.

In Chester, on the 16th inst., by Rev. J. D. Gibson, Thomas DeGraffried, of Chester, and Miss Belle Gott, of N. C.

In Orange county, on the 9th inst., Dr. Edward M. Holt to Miss Nannie Parker.

In Burke county, Mr. Robert Rich to Miss Catherine English, also Mr. Thos. L. Huppill to Mrs. Ann Huffman.

In Cabarrus county, on the 10th inst., Mary Isabel, only child of J. K. and L. M. Potts, aged four years and a few days.

In Iredell county, Col. David Ramsey, aged 65 years, died about 67 years.

In Salisbury on the 10th inst., William W. Nichols, aged about 67 years.

In Greensboro on the 12th inst., W. R. Unthank, aged about 25 years.

THE MARKETS.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY T. M. FAIRBORN.

Charlotte, June 22, 1857.

[It should be borne in mind that the following are wholesale prices only. We endeavor to keep the quotations correct, but allowance must be made for the fact that prices frequently change immediately after the publication of the paper.]

Table listing market prices for various commodities including BACON, BEANS, BRANDY, COTTON, COFFEE, EGGS, FLOUR, IRON, LARD, MOLASSES, SUGAR, TEA, and WHISKY.

REMARKS.—Trade has been dull during the week—but little produce coming in. Wheat sells readily at \$1.25 to \$1.35 per bushel.

CORN comes in more freely—sells at \$1 to \$1.05. Flour, per sack, \$3.50 to \$3.60—per bbl. \$7.12 to \$7.25—a slight advance.

COLUMBIA MARKET, June 20. Cotton is unchanged; the market is at a stand and prices are therefore nominal.

NEW YORK, June 18.—Flour is dull; sales of State brands at \$6 to \$6.25; Ohio \$7 to \$7.50; Southern \$7 to \$7.60. Wheat has declined 2 cents.

BALTIMORE, June 18.—Flour is dull nominally at \$7 to \$7.12. Red wheat \$1.70 to \$1.76 per bushel; white \$1.80 to \$1.95.

NOTICE. We, the undersigned, have this day sold out our entire stock of Groceries, Liquors, &c., to Messrs. David Orr & Co.

NOTICE. We, the undersigned, have this day bought the entire stock of GROCERIES, LIQUORS, &c., belonging to J. & E. Lonerger.

LOOK OUT. The late Firm of MILLER & ORR was this day dissolved by mutual consent.

GROCERIES, LIQUORS, &c., belonging to J. & E. Lonerger, two doors below the Mansion House.

NOTICE. All persons indebted to me are hereby notified not to make any payments to Charles Lindfield.

TOWN TAXES. I now have the Tax Lists for 1857 ready for settlement.

Trustees of Davidson College. The Board of Trustees will meet in the Hall at the College, at 11 o'clock, A. M., on Tuesday, the 14th of July, 1857.

ATTENTION! RIFLE MEN. You are hereby ordered to appear on the FOURTH OF JULY, at 9 o'clock, A. M., at your regular parade, armed and equipped, at your by-laws direct.

OLIN HIGH SCHOOL.

This Institution, located in the North-Eastern part of Iredell county, N. C., will re-open its exercises on the 23d of July, under the Presidency of Rev. B. Clegg, assisted by accomplished ed teachers.

Board and Tuition will range from \$55 to \$65 per Session of five months; Tuition always in advance.

Those coming from a distance will find Salisbury a convenient point to obtain conveyance.

For further information, address REV. B. CLEGG, Olin, Iredell county, N. C. June 23, 1857.

Wanted.

Eight or Ten good NEGRO HANDS at the HOWE MINE by July 1st.

Bills of Ejectment.

Captias Bonds, and other Blanks, for sale at this Office.

A Valuable NEGRO WOMAN and Child for sale.

For particulars apply to June 16th. T. A. BOONE.