

The Western Democrat. CHARLOTTE, N. C.

A TRUTHFUL RECORD. The Raleigh Standard, in reply to some remarks of the Register, says:

One of the reasons the Register gives why Mr Gilmer and the Southern Americans cannot act with the Democrats in organizing the House, is that the Democrats have heretofore "villified" and "proscribed" them; and another reason is that the Democrats themselves are responsible for the present condition of the country.

Let us see what these reasons amount to: So far as villification and proscription are concerned, it is certainly fair towards our opponents to say that in this respect the two parties are even. Know Nothings have been as bitter and proscriptive towards Democrats as Democrats have been towards them.

EXECUTION OF THE HARPER'S FERRY CONSPIRATORS.

At half-past 10 o'clock, Gen. Taliferro, with his staff, numbering about twenty-five officers, having given orders to prepare the two negro prisoners Green and Copeland, for execution, took their departure to join the main body of the troops on the field.

The military then formed a hollow square around the jail, and the open wagon containing the coffins of the prisoners drew up in front of the door, with a carriage to convey Sheriff Campbell and his deputies.

The crowd of citizens and strangers was very great, at least five times as numerous as on the occasion of Brown's execution, most of whom were already on the field, whilst others waited to see the prisoners come out. The religious ceremonies in the cells of the prisoners were very impressive.

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the jail guards to cut a lemon with; we did not return it to him. He had no idea of any intention on our part to break out, neither did the sheriff, jailor or jail guard have any knowledge of our plans. We received no aid from any person or persons whatever. We had, as we supposed, removed all the bricks except the last tier, several days ago, but on the evening previous to our breaking out we discovered our mistake.

We had intended to go out on the evening that my sister and brothers-in-law were here, but I knew that it would reflect on them, and we postponed it; but I urged Coppie to go, and I would remain. He refused. We then concluded to wait. I got a knife blade from Green, and with that made some tolerable teeth in the Barlow knife, with which we sawed off our shackles.

Mr Gilmer then rose and withdrew his name, and returned his thanks first to his Southern friends and then to the Black Republicans for their support. Turning to the black Republicans he said: "I must also say that I feel in no less degree complimented by the votes of gentlemen with whom I very much disagree on one great political point."

Mr Gilmer then nominated Mr Boteler, of Va., and the House proceeded to the eighth ballot, as follows: Mr Sherman, black Republican, 96 votes; Mr Boeck, national Democrat, 86; Mr Gilmer, Southern (2) Oppositionist, 36; scattering 9.

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BLACK REPUBLICANS VOTING FOR MR GILMER.

The House of Representatives voted twice on Friday the 16th, for Speaker, being the seventh and eighth ballots. The vote on the seventh ballot was as follows:

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Short Almanac for 1860.

Table with columns for months (JANUARY to DECEMBER) and days of the week (Sunday to Saturday), showing the day of the week for each date.

EMIGRANTS FROZEN TO DEATH.—St. Louis, Dec. 17.—The express from Denver city reports the mercury there down to 47 degrees below zero. On the 9th inst., several men on their return from the mines were frozen to death, and a number of mules lost from the extreme cold.

The editor of a Texas paper states that Mrs. G. W. Howard, of Sabine county, lately took her little child, aged nine months, to a cotton field and sat him on the ground, while she went to another part of the field. Returning she found him with both hands clasped around the neck of a rattlesnake. The mother screamed, the baby dropped the snake and crawled to mother. On examining the snake it was found to be perfectly dead, the baby having choked it to save its life!

COMMON SCHOOL NOTICE.

The Board of Superintendents of Common Schools for Mecklenburg county, will meet at the County Clerk's office in Charlotte, on SATURDAY the 24th inst. A full meeting is earnestly solicited, as there will be matters of interest before the Board.

Dec. 6, 1859. J. P. ROSS, Chair.

Valuable Mills, Land, and Town Property for Sale.

In Catawba county, N. C., 11 miles north of Newton, within 6 miles of the N. C. Railroad, I offer for sale superior Flouring Mills, all new and in good working order.

\$50 REWARD!

Runaway from the subscriber on the 1st October, a mulatto boy named SOLOMON. He is near six feet high, about thirty years old, tolerably bright, rather slim, and weighs about 175 pounds. He has a down look when spoken to.

JOHN HENRY WATT, M. D., Surgeon Dentist.

(Graduate in Medicine and Dentistry.) Office on Tryon Street, opposite Bank of the State, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Look to your Interest.

At BOONE'S BOOT AND SHOE EMPORIUM Large sales are made from day to day at a great sacrifice to the manufacturer.

A Great Saving

In children's, boys and misses' Shoes, is effected by the introduction of Cooper's Patent for the protection of the foot, and the manufacturer warrants that one pair will last as long as three pair of the old style.

Notice.

F. SCARR having purchased the entire interest in the firm of F. SCARR & CO., the business will hereafter be continued by himself personally.

The Charlotte Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

CONTINUES to take risks against loss by fire, on Houses, Goods, Produce, &c., at usual rates.

CHARLOTTE HOTEL.

EVERY ACCOMMODATION afforded the patrons of the Charlotte Hotel. At this Hotel is kept the line of Daily Stages from Charlotte to Asheville.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT.

DIARRHOEA.—The great scourge of this continent yields quickly to a course of these antiseptic Pills, and the digestive organs are restored to their proper state; no matter in what hideous shape this hydra of disease exhibits itself, this searching and unerring remedy disperses it from the patient's system.

Negroes to Hire.

I will hire, on Thursday the 29th of December, near Davidson College, at the late residence of Joseph Patterson, dec'd, for the term of 12 months, TEN LIKELY NEGROES, belonging to Jas. P. Patterson, minor heir.

To Hire and Rent.

A number of NEGRO MEN and GIRLS to hire, privately, for the next year. Also to rent, a convenient DWELLING HOUSE, next to the old Methodist Parsonage, with 8 rooms, and all necessary out-buildings.

Negroes for Sale.

Having been appointed Commissioner by the Court of Equity of Lincoln county, N. C., to sell the Negroes the property of L. E. L. C. Houston, A. V. L. Houston and C. H. H. Houston, I will sell at public auction on Wednesday the 4th day of January, 1860, at Beattie's Ford, Lincoln county, 23 miles west of Charlotte, about TWENTY LIKELY NEGROES, men, women and children.

Mantua-making.

MISS SARAH A. NISBET informs the Ladies of Charlotte that she is prepared to do any kind of work in the Dress-making line, and respectfully solicits patronage. She can be found at her father's residence near Mr M. Johnston's dwelling.

Private Residence for Sale.

Near the Female College, and located in a pleasant and improving portion of the town, a convenient and desirable Residence is offered for sale. Persons wishing to purchase will find the terms accommodating. For further particulars apply to S. W. DAVIS.

New and Fashionable Furniture WARE ROOMS.

J. M. SANDERS & Co., are constantly receiving from New York, Boston, &c., a general assortment of fine and fashionable FURNITURE, which they will sell at extremely low prices for Cash, and every article warranted to give satisfaction.

WISFAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY.

De. S. W. Fowler—Dear Sir, For several days I had been suffering from the effects of a severe cold, accompanied by a very sore throat and sick headache, which completely incapacitated me for business.

None genuine unless signed I. BUTTS on the wrapper.

Even those who are in the enjoyment of perfect health frequently have need to have recourse to tonics as preventives of disease. We are never too well armed against the assaults of the "ills that flesh is heir to."

AN HISTORICAL RETROSPECT.

Organization of Congress.—Within the last twenty years there have been three instances of a long delay in the organization of the House of Representatives at Washington. The Cincinnati Enquirer recalls the facts in the following sketch:

In 1829 and '40, toward the close of Mr. Van Buren's administration, the House, which met early in December, did not succeed in choosing a Speaker until the first of January. They chose the U. S. Senator from Virginia, Mr. Hunter, but then serving in the House of Representatives. It was his first session, and he was entirely unknown to the country.

Again, in 1849 and '50, there was a long delay in the organization. The candidates for Speaker were R. C. Winthrop, Whig, of Massachusetts, and Howell Cobb, Democrat, of Georgia, now Secretary of the Treasury. After palling for three weeks, it was found impossible to elect by a majority, so a rule was adopted declaring that the person who had the highest number of votes should be elected, whether it was a majority of the whole number of votes cast or not.

At Wilson Superior Court Judge Saunders charged the Grand Jury strongly on the subject of incendiary books, pamphlets, papers, &c., and referred particularly to the fact that the present Governor of New York and a number of members of Congress are contributors to a fund to print and circulate a book of that character in the Southern States.

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Attempted Escape of Cook and Coppie.

The following letter was furnished to Sheriff Campbell by the prisoners:

LARGE YIELD.—Mr Jesse Thomason has laid on our table a sample of the Tennessee Stock Corn, which is very superior, and the very best for feeding stock.

CHARLESTOWN JAIL, Dec. 16. Having been called upon to make a fair statement in regard to the ways and means of our breaking jail, we have agreed to do so, from a sense of our duty to the Sheriff, the Jailor, and the jail guard.