

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE—Continued.

to make a report to the Legislature upon all these matters, with such observations as experience might suggest upon the general condition and efficiency of our system, and the most practicable means of improving it. The duties of such an officer would be laborious, and the salary should be such as would command the most eminent qualifications, and engage undivided attention.

This compensation might be charged upon the Literary Fund, and not drawn from the general treasury; and it would be returned to that fund in ten-fold value, by improving healthfulness and vigor, and efficiency of the system.

The last General Assembly seems to have been fully aware of the necessity of some general supervision; but while they decline to authorize the appointment of one general superior at a reasonable salary, they authorized each County Court, to appoint one of each County, at a salary of \$250 each, with power given to the Courts to lay a tax to pay it.

In my judgment it is much better to have one general superintendent, competent and responsible, at an expense of \$2,500, paid out of the Literary Fund, than to have seventy-nine superintendants dispersed through the State, without consent or action of design and action, at an aggregate expense of \$19,700 per annum, drawn, too, from the pockets of the people by taxation.

Our common school system, then, regarded either in the light of the patriotic and noble purpose intended to be accomplished by it, or considered with reference to the proper direction and fair disbursement of so large a sum of public money, requires thorough revision and amendment.

Having been a member of the Literary Board from its first organization, and having bestowed some attention upon this subject, I feel, in conclusion, fully warranted in recommending, as the most effectual means of attaining the ends referred to, the appointment of a general superintendent of common schools for the State.

The President and Directors of the Literary Fund will, in due time, submit a report, showing in detail the state and condition of this Fund, and the proceedings of the Board on other subjects committed to their management.

Internal Improvement. The Internal Improvement of the condition of the State, has been so repeatedly and earnestly pressed upon the Legislature within the past twelve years, by its predecessors in office, that nothing new can be superadded. The people are now demanding more relief for the exigency of their wants, and market towns within our own borders, and the means of cheap transportation to reach them.

The public works now in progress in North Carolina, exhibit the fruits of an awakened sensibility, and point with unerring certainty and force to the prosecution and completion of others not yet commenced.

The extension of the North Carolina Railroad East and West, connecting on one hand, with the commerce of the Atlantic Ocean, and on the other with that great current and artery of intercommunication in a high degree forming the ligaments and arteries of the National Union, must occupy a prominent position in any scheme promising to enable and improve the State.

Other works, more sectional in their character will readily present themselves to the favorable consideration of those more immediately interested in them. To what extent it will be prudent at this time to embark in new works of internal improvement, until ample means shall have been provided for the faithful and energetic completion of those already authorized and undertaken, it is not for me to say.

Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road. The Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road being now the property of the State, we claim that attention, which is due to it, well from these considerations of its convenience and value to a large portion of the State as on account of the deep pecuniary interest which is attached to it as the State's property.

The superstructure of the road, both of iron and wood, is in a very dilapidated condition, and extensive repairs are absolutely indispensable to its further use. The commissioners to whose care the Legislature committed it, have with watchful diligence and with the efficient aid of the President and the officers of the Road, kept it up; and by curtailing expenses, reducing salaries and enforcing the strictest economy in all its departments have been able to continue its operations without making it a charge upon the State. Its receipts for the year 1849, have been equal to about \$22,150, and for the year 1850, \$108,053, the whole of which has been consumed in the ordinary current expenses, and in the purchase of new iron and repairs.

To enable you to understand the true state and condition of this property and to legislate intelligently upon the subject, the Board of Commissioners employed Maj. S. M. Fox, an Engineer of skill and experience, to examine the whole line of the road, its appurtenances, the grading, the superstructure, the Bridges, Depots, Engines, &c., and to make a report thereon. This will present a more reliable and satisfactory account of it than could be given by the Board of Commissioners, or the officers of the Road, or by any committee of the General Assembly. This report will be laid before you in a short time, together with a report of the President of the Road, and the proceedings of the Board of Commissioners for the two years last past.

Your claims on United States. In accordance with a resolution adopted by the last General Assembly, relating to the State's claim against the General Government, for money advanced, and transportation furnished to the N. Carolina volunteers in the recent war with Mexico, at an early day after the adjournment of the Assembly, I procured from the Comptroller's Office the vouchers and papers pertaining to the claim, and caused them to be presented to the War Department at Washington, for the payment of the principal and interest, according to the provisions of the Act of Congress upon that subject. The claim of the State amounts, in principal money, to \$1,467,773.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

the House of Representatives, where it remained without any final action had upon it, until the termination of the session. During the pendency of the bill before the House of Representatives, I was again notified by the 2nd Auditor, that the said fund sum of \$100 had not been allowed at his office. No steps have been taken to place these paltry sums in the Treasury. No valid reason can be shown why this claim of North Carolina should be rejected, while similar claims from other States have been freely allowed and paid.

[We are compelled to defer the latter part of Gov. Manly's Message until next week.]

PROSPECTUS. THE Subscribers propose to publish a Newspaper in the Town of Concord, N. C., to be called the Concord Mercury. Devoted to Politics, News, Agriculture, Mining, &c.

It is unnecessary to enter into an argument to prove the benefits to be derived from a local Newspaper—they are fully appreciated. It may be expected and is certainly due to the public, that we should make some exposition of the principles by which we shall be governed.

In Politics we will be decidedly WHIG, and shall endeavor, with all our ability, to sustain the cause of the great Republican Party, consequently we will give the present Administration our hearty support. We will at all times, however, reserve to ourselves the privilege of condemning whatever we may think wrong, either in friends or foes. While we shall use all honorable efforts to advance the interests and defend the conservative principles of our Party, we will practice a system of courtesy towards our opponents, so long as they conduct themselves in such a way as to deserve it.

The size of the paper has not yet been determined on. If about the same as the "Lincoln Courier" the price will be \$1.50 per annum; if the size of the "Salisbury Watchman" \$2.00. (The number of Subscribers obtained by the 1st of January will decide the matter—at which time materials will be ordered.) The first number will be issued as soon as 300 names are received. Those friendly to the project are solicited to make an effort to secure the requisite number of names.

L. S. BINGHAM, Editor. W. H. CAMPBELL, Publisher. Address the Subscribers at Concord.

STEELE & HARTY. ARE NOW OPENING THEIR NEW STOCK OF AMERICAN, FRENCH AND ENGLISH DRY GOODS, HARDWARE, QUEENSWARE, GROCERIES, &c. &c.

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Table listing various medicinal items: Alcohol, Alum, Carb. Ammonia, Mustard, Aqua fortis, &c.

WATER'S CHERRY PECTORAL: For the Cure of COUGHS, COLDS, BRONCHITIS, CROUP, ASTHMA, WHOOPING-COUGH AND CONSUMPTION.

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MARRIAGE: WHY SO OFTEN UNHAPPY. THE CAUSES AND THE REMEDY!

THE MARRIED WOMAN'S Private Medical Companion.

THE SUBSCRIBER respectfully announces to his friends and the travelling Public generally, that he has opened as a HOTEL, that large and commodious House in Log Town, formerly the Private Residence of B. PARSONS, Esq.

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FALL AND WINTER DRY GOODS.

THE SUBSCRIBER would respectfully inform his numerous customers in the neighboring counties of the "Old North State," that he is at present in Town, having returned from the North with an overwhelming stock.

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CHARLOTTE, N. C. AGENTS FOR THE CONCORD MANUFACTURING COMPANY. OTTON Yarns, Cloth, Bagging, Twine, Candles, &c., always at hand, and for sale at Manufacturer's prices.

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STOCK OF SPRATT & ALLISON. DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, HARD-WARE, QUEENSWARE, &c.

For the Ladies: Ladies' new style BONNETS—silk and straw. Party Dresses—very handsome.

For the Gentlemen: Cloth, Cassimeres, and Vestings, large assortment; Large stock of Ready-made Clothing.

Miscellaneous: Hard-ware and Cutlery—Carpenter's and Blacksmith's Tools; Pocket Knives, Knives and Forks.

Coach Making: THE public are respectfully informed that I have taken my own stand, where I intend carrying on the BUSINESS OF COACH MAKING.

Book Binding: Connected with the Mill is a Book Bindery, where binding of all kinds will be executed upon the shortest notice.

PAPER MILL—Excellent Paper. THE Subscriber has secured the services of one of the best makers in the State.

NOTICE: BY an Act of Congress, Officers and Soldiers (who have not received) are entitled to BOUNTY LAND.

DANGEROUS DELIVERIES, OBSTRUCTIONS, IRRREGULARITIES, &c.

To those just Married.—"Did I know!"

LETTERS are daily received of this character, unnecessary to present.

TO LET: That new and commodious Stand with the Fixtures attached, owned and occupied by the late Robert L. Tweed.

DR. A. C. M'CREE: Dr. A. C. M'CREE, Chemist and Druggist, 277 King st., opposite Society St., Charlotte, N. C.

J. A. SADLER'S HOTEL.

CHARLOTTE, N. C. HAVING become owner of half of this property, I beg leave to say to my kind Patrons and the Public generally, that it will still be kept open as a Hotel.

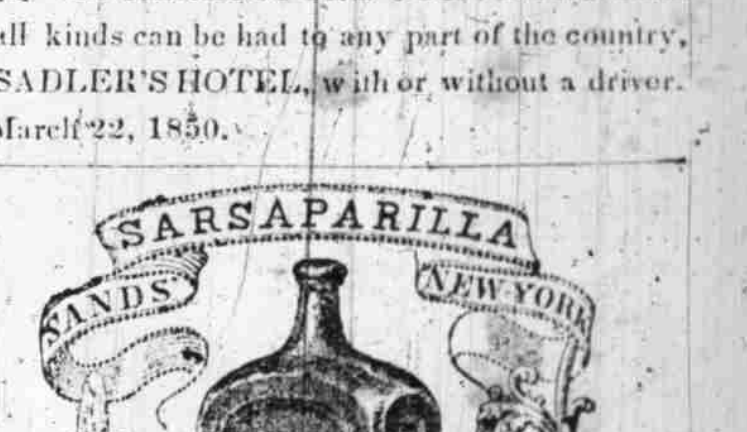
RETALION: THE SUBSCRIBER has removed his SADDLE AND HARNESS MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENT from the spring corner building on Trade Street.

JEWELRY, JEWELRY: THE SUBSCRIBER has just returned from the North and is now receiving and opening a RICH AND VARIOUS ASSORTMENT of Jewellery.

Gentlemen and Ladies' GOLD AND SILVER LEVER and LEVER WATCHES; GOLD CHAINS, AND KEYS.

AND A VARIETY OF FANCY GOODS, PLATED WARE, SOLID WARE, SILVER PLATED, STOVES AND ANDLE STICKS, &c. &c.

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