CHARLOTTE, NORTH-CAROLINA, FEBRUARY 7, 1845.

NUMBER 196.

the Defentment

the late Mrs. Sarah A. Harris, deceased, in the village of Charlotte, will be sold on Tuesday of February Court. Terms, credit of six months; note payable on the Bank with approved endorsers and mortgage on the premises until paid. P. S. Possession to be given on the 1st January,

January, 1845.

W. A. HARRIS.

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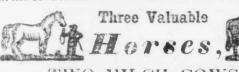
THE Subscriber will sell his PLANTATION at the Court House in Charlotte on the Tuesday of our next Superior Court, if not sold privately before that time. It contains

176 Acres,

and is well known as a healthy location, four miles. north of Charlotte. The buildings are new and most of the land under cultivation is fresh. Terms will be favorable to the purchaser.

--ALSO-

On the 6th of March he will sell at his residence all his Household and Kitchen Furniture.



TWO MILCH COWS. And a few Hogs,

One Buggy with a top, and Harness;

ONE NEW WAGON; Bacon, Corn, Fodder,

OATS AND HAY; 6.000 SHINGLES; PLANK; 2 STOVES, and other articles unneces-

Terms made known on the day of sale.
JNO. M. M. CALDWELL.

CHARLOTTE



respectfully informed that it is now open for S. D. NYE HUTCHISON.

N. B .- Board can be had in the village, or in the

Nov. 15, 1844.

List of Letters

Robert McGey,

James McCay,

Hugh McCahan,

W. P. McClelland, Dr. S. McClanahan

Joseph McCombs,

Thomas Mack, James McLeod,

B. D. Mottley,

H. McDowell,

H. K. McDowell,

F. H. McDowell,

James C. Moore,

O.

John M. Morris,

Robert Ormand,

J. L. A. Orr & Co.

Mrs. S. S. Peoples,

Franklin Pegues.

Wm. N. Parks,

Miss M. Porter,

R.

Dr. J. M. Ramsey,

Richard Rozzel,

Dr. J. W. Ross.

Cyrus Stinson,

Con. Geo. Smith,

Miss S. Sasberry,

Mrs. E. Sample, or ?

Mrs. A. S. Berry, §

John F. Sellars,

Elam M. Spratt,

William Springs,

James Sloan,

Maj. Joseph Smith,

Miss Jane A. Sloan.

Hugh & Eli Stewart

T. -

Hiram T. Sloan,

Thos. Thompson,

L.E. Thompson,

Moses C. West 2,

Stephen Wilson,

Richard Warren,

P. J. Wilson,

James G. Torrence 2,

W.

Miss Eliz. Ren 2,

Mary Ann Rankin,

S.

Benj. Pierce,

O. M. Peck,

Levi Poke,

C. M. Ray,

A. C. Miller.

Joshua Perry,

EMAINING in the Post Office at Charlotte N. C., on the 1st day of January, 1845, to wit

Dr. A. F. Alexander, Miss Sarah J. Alexander, Adam Alexander, Vm. Alexander, im Alexander. br. M. W. Alexander. Isaac Adams, Sarah Beatty, Sam. Berryhill 2, Azariah Baily, usiah Bradshaw, Mrs. A. S. Berry, Roht. Buchanan, Wm. Branson,

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ames Barnette, Mr. Brackett. Stephen M. Boozer, George Branner, Wm. S. Banker, Clerk of Mecklenburg County Court,

ev. H. B. Cunningham, V. G. Clarke, Mrs. Eunice A. Carter. David F. Cowan, S. C. Caldwell, Allen W. Davis, John S. Davis, James Dougherty.

James S. Early, Mr. Erwin, Alexander Ervin. R. G. Flannagan. Rev. John Gifford. Henry J. Garmon,

Robt. B. Hunter, lames Hipp, Houston & Grier, R. M. Herron, W. H. Hovey 2. Philo Henderson, Wm. Johnston, Vm. Jack. Mrs. Mary Jones, saac Jones, ines Johnston,

Miss Mary E. Johnston. Harvey Kennedy. Mason R. Lyon, Mrs. E. Lemmonds, M. Long, M. H. Lemonds, siah G. Lewis, laniel Ledwell,

Mrs. Mary Lentile.

Annata 1, 1817.

S. N. Weddington, Miss L. A. Williams, Dr. James Wooster, Dr. E. D. Williamson T. R. Hughes.

J. W. HAMPTON, P. M.

OF SENATORS, AGAINST THE RESOLU-TIONS TO EXPEL THE SENATOR FROM ONSLOW.

PROTEST

The undersigned, members of the Senate, avail ng themselves of the Constitutional privilege, as State, to dissent from, and protest against any act or resolve of the Senate, which they may think injurious to the public, or to any individual, and to have their reasons for such dissent entered upon the Journals of the Senate.

Do here now present to the Senate their most solemn dissent and protest against certain acts and resolves of the Senate in the case of Mr. ENNETT, Senator from Onslow, with their reasons therefor, that the same may be entered on the Journals of the

The Committee appointed to investigate his case, reported the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the certificate of the Senator as genuine, the first day of the session, is a forgery.

has been offered before the Committee to implicate Mr Sanders had, when examined before the Comany other person in the transaction, that the Senator | mittee and after his testimony was written down himself has either been guilty of the forgery, or, stated twice or thrice that he was uncertain whethprocured it to be done, or was at least aware that it | er it was Sunday or Monday. was not genuine; and therefore, practised a fraud upon the Senate and ought to be expelled.

Resolved. That for the reasons aforesaid, the Senator from Onslow be and is hereby expelled from the Senate, and his seat therein vacated.

The first resolution passed the Senate unanimousv. the two last by the casting vote of its Speaker,

The undersigned protest against the passage of the two last resolutions, because, the rule of evidence which the majority of the Committee in their report applied to his case, was laid down in too broad, harsh and unqualified a sense; -because, the evidence was not correctly reported-because, that report was accompanied by an argument against Mr Ennett, ba sed upon unfounded assumption, and tended to prejudice his trial-because, that report, and the priniple contained in the second resolution, threw upon him the burthen of establishing his own innocence, because his counsel was denied that liberty of speech which is indispensible to a fair and impartial trial. and, because, Mr. Ennett's own account of the way he was put in possession of the alledged spurious certificate, and which was part of the evidence reported by the Committee, being uncontradicted and fully supported by the whole evidence put in on is trial, and corroborated by unquestioned proof, of his having the most unblemished character, formed a weight of tesumony, which repelled every suspicion of his guilty connection with the spurious

reasons and facts which form the grounds of their The PROOF shortly stated, was that Mr. Enpett

TEVILE friends and patrons of this Institution, are left home under the most confident belief and expectation, of receiving his certificate of election in time to take his seat on Monday, the 18th of November, the day of the meeting of the Legislature-that he had assurances to this effect from the Sheriff and stantially with his two statement one made to Mr. innocence. Stone on Tuesday morning after, and the other to about 8 o'clock, said he had a letter for him, did possessor by his own act or with his undoubted conwriting of Sheriff Averett, only slightly, but enough and made part of the evidence in the case, showed, one innocent person should suffer. to make a person acquainted with it, suppose it might | that a LETTER was put into his possession, by | The coincidence of many circumstances pointing | The counsel immediately took his seat. have been written on his knee; that on Monday af- an unknown hand, and that until he opened it, he to one thing, forms so natural a ground of belief acter Mr. E. presented the certificate and took his seat | did not know what it contained; and that before he | cording to human experience, that it is upon that in the Senate. Mr. Senator Hellen obtained posses. opened it the unknown bearer of that letter was gone. very ground, that the rule of evidence has been so sion of the certificate from the Clerk, Mr. Stone, He had no suspicion of any thing being wrong, be. well established in law, that handwriting may be without any order or authority from the Senate, cause letters are often times handed by unknown proved by a person who has received a letter from -took it out, kept it for some time, showed it to se- hands-because office seekers about Raleigh are in a stranger to him, in the due course of business, veral persons; that several persons marked their the habit of sending letters to members in every form from whom he expected to receive a letter on that initials on the certificate, among them Mr. Gaither and way, and he expected at first that it was a letter particular business, although he never before had (afterwards chosen Speaker) and Mr. Senator Boy. from an office seeker, and after he opened it, and seen his writing. So strong were the coincidences den-that it did not appear that this movement on found it contained a certificate of his election, it was in Mr. Ennett's case, that he was not only in law suspicion, was made known to Mr. Ennett at the though he did not know certainly in what way, by believing the certificate to have come from the Shertime-that as soon as Mr. E. heard of the suspicion | hand or by mail; and he had enquired that night at | iff, Mr. Averett; but it would have been thought of genuineness, which was either on Monday night the post office, and had not obtained it, before this strange indeed if he had suspected it had not. It or Tuesday morning, he repaired to Mr. Stone, the letter was handed to him. His statement then came in a letter-which he expected-at that time Cierk of the Senate, on Tuesday before 10 o'clock, showed, that he did not acquire the possession of -and purporting to be from the person he expected and asked to see the certificate. Mr. Stone handed the certificate, by his own agency, but that it was to send it - resembled that person's handwriting it to him, and after examining it, he stated to Mr. put upon him under cover of a LETTER-not by his and he was not well enough acquainted with that S. that he was sufficiently acquainted with Mr. own concurrence, for he did not know what the let- person's handwriting to detect a plausible imposi that divides the country." Averett's handwriting to say, that the body of it did ter contained, until opened-nor, that no other per tion. resemble Mr. A's handwriting, but parts of the sig | son had a motive to do it, for office seekers had a | The next ground the Committee take in their renature not so much-and then gave Mr. Stone the motive to do so, as he had been a day in Raleigh. port is, that the manner of his receiving the ceraccount as above set forth of the manner he had got- and had made known he was without his certifi- tificate, was so strange and unnatural, that it ought ten possession of it-that this statement to Mr. Stone cate. was made after he had taken his seat, but before the Senate had organized on Tuesday morning the 2d ed, they rested on the authority of the State vs. Britt, (six in number) which could only consist with inday of the Session-that on the 29th of November 2d Vol. Devereux Reports of the Supreme Court, nocence-had they compared them with Mr. En letter from Sheriff Averett, enclosed to him in a let-

character intimately for 10 years, that his general rence. character was that of an honest good man, without | The next authority cited in argument by the ma-No one disputed this testimony.

from Onslow, and by him introducted to the Senate that since his examination before the Committee upon reflection, he was still uncertain, and Mr. Sena-Resolved further. That inasmuch as no evidence tor Louis D. Wilson, also stated on the trial, that

> that Mr. Ennett's three several statements of the latter case in June, 1837. manner he got possession of the spurious certificate, purpose. 4th, That as soon as he received the gen- ved that Scipio Smith's two sons lived with him at | The facts being these, the counsel cautioned the

1st, the general maxim of law that he who is in the The undersigned will now proceed to state the benefit, must be presumed to have forged it himself " such a presumption has been sanctioned, or con- intending any thing personal and was permitted to 2d, That the manner that Mr. E. got possession of "sider the ground of reason and experience on proceed." the certificate, was so suspicious in itself, that every | " which the presumption is clearly warranted, we | The counsel then remarked, upon the embarrassother man would have suspected it under like cir- "shall find that it applies ONLY, when this posses- ment which surrounded his client's defence against custances. 3d, That Mr Eunett's statement ought to be discredited because he did not inform his roommate, Jackson, he had received it.

We shall examine these points in their order:

had assurances to this effect from the Sheriff and two other persons—that he was advised before he left home and after reaching Raleigh by several fied, and that even as harshly as they applied it, it left home and after reaching Raleigh by several fied, and that even as harshly as they applied it, it members of the Legislature, that his certificate was not indispensable to his taking his seat, but that his under the exercise of a small degree of the ordinatory of the form of the must be presumed to be the thief. Yet, get leave to assume the not after the must be presumed to be the thief. Yet, get leave to assume the not after the form of the horse, and not able to account and to himself, the counsel. not indispensable to his taking his seat, but that his colleagues or others, would be heard to prove his election as had been the practice in other cases—that he had mentioned it publicly, on the day he arrived here, (Saturday,) that he had come without his certain here, (Saturday,) that he had come without his certain here, (Saturday,) that he had come without his certain here, (Saturday,) that he had come without his certain here, (Saturday,) that he had come without his certain here, (Saturday,) that he had come without his certain here, (Saturday,) that he had come without his certain here, (Saturday,) that he had come without his certain here, (Saturday,) that he had come without his certain here. there, (Satorday,) that he had come without his cercount of the way it came into his possession; and
tificate—that on Monday morning he informed his by the proof of his unblemished, simple, confiding hung, and being closely pursued, requested B, a famous crime could take no personal offence at beroom-mate, Mr. Jackson, and also Mr. Melvin, character, which latter fact, his good character, the stranger to him, to walk his horse for him while he ing respectfully warned and cautioned to examine and stated publicly in a company of gentlemen at Mr. Holden's office, that he had received his certificate on the night before (Sunday night)—that the most case on the night before (Sunday night)—that the case of the law statement he then made to Mr. Melvin of the way great anxiety to find out and report to the Senate session. The Jury forgetting that the possession of where, not only it was made the duty of counsel, and manner he had received it, corresponded sub- all the evidence that might establish Mr. Ennett's a horse might be put upon a man, and he never- but also of the Judge, to warn the jury against the

secured by the 45th section of the Constitution of the ho. of Commons, that he has known his come to the possession by his own act and concur- report altogether on one side.

a blemish, simple and confiding, a domestic man in jority Committee, was the State vs. Morgan, reported the did not mention to his room mate, Jackson, on his habits, a sober, moral, industrious farmer, a ted in 2d Vol. Dev & Bat. page 348. That case Sunday night, when he returned home from preachkind father and an obliging benevolent neighbor. showed that the defendant had himself presented a ling at 9 o'clock, that he had received his certificate The proof was also, that the Committee of Inves his own favor, and had received the money - as known the receipt of his certificate, would it not igation had incorrectly reported Mr. Saunder's test statement of the defendant imputed guilty to others, have excited suspicion? As it was, he did inform timony before the Committed. They reported, that nor no circumstance appeared to raise a suspicion that Mr. Jackson, his room mate, although a stranger to Mr. S. said before them that he thought it was on any other person had been concerned in the posses him until that day, and Mr. Saunders, his col-Monday morning Mr Ennett told him that he had sion than the defendant, nor did it appear that any league, of it the next morning, and when the quesnot received his certificate, whereas, Mr. Sanders other person had a motive to impose it upon him, tion was asked in a public company at Mr. Holwhen brought to the bar of the Senate swore, that but all the evidence manifested that be alone for den's office on that morning, "who was the memhe told the Committee several times, that he was ged the order. But even in that case, the Court ber that had left home without his certificate," he uncertain whether it was Sunday or Monday, and in applying the Committee's rule of evidence, said being present replied, " he supposed he was the

there be other circumstances from which it may the fact that not to mention the reception of the be judged that certainly or PROBABLY his certificate to his room mate was suspicious, and possession was not acquired by his own taking, when the fact appeared on the trial, that he had then, the whole presumption fails." The case of not only mentioned it to his room mate but to his The whole proof then established these facts: 1st, the State vs. Britt was decided in June, 1831, the colleague and to others, it availed him nothing with

Mr. Ennett's guilt upon three principal points; the Supreme Court set aside the verdict against Sci- claiming at the same time any intention

to have excited his suspicion. Had the Committee The rule of evidence which the Committee appli- examined withdue care all theforegoing coincidences, was found in the possession of a forged order in his absence of all motive on his part to perpetrate such poss ssion of the alleged spurious certificate had said he had intended to take up the order before it suspected, of the circumstances which attended the en put upon him, and that he now believed from was discovered." In this case the rule of the Com. way he got into possession of the certificate, and asked the Senate to raise a Committee of Investigation and interest against Mr. Ennetts

tion on the matter. The Hon Wm. H. Washing acquired the possession, by any accompanying state- they professed, to search out in the evidence, the ton, of the House of Commons, proved that Mr. ment of his own, or otherwise; nor did he impute circumstances of his innocence, instead of first as-E.'s character was that of an ignorant, inoffensive, any other agency or concurrence than his own in suming, as they have done, that his account of the harmless man, without a blemish resting on it .- obtaining it; on the contrary, he stated, that he in matter was suspicious, and from the suspicion, in Mr Tho. D. Meares, of Wilmington, that he stands tended to have taken up the order before the forge- their own minds, drawing the most unfavorable inas fair as any man in Onslow. Mr. Jeremiah Nix- ry was discovered, which manifested, that he had ferences against him, and arguing the case in their

> The next ground the Committee take is, that his whole statement ought to be discredited, because lorged note to the Bank at Salem for discount in Had Mr. Ennett taken extraordinary pains to make "The force of the presumption, depends upon the person meant, but that he had received it on the 'ability of the accused to show WITH FACILI | night before." Here, then, the Committee so anx-TY, the real truth; and his refusal to do so. if jous to establish Mr. Ennett's innocence, assumed

In a very late case decided by the Supreme Court. The undersigned farther protest in this, that as was not unnatural or improbable- that he was that June, 1842, State vs. Scipio Smith, 2d Vol. Ire- the Committee in their report, and the Senate by good, honest, simple, confiding man, that might dell's Rep. page 402, Judge Claston as organ of the the mode of his trial, had thrown upon Mr. Ennett easily have been imposed upon in a City where he Court, lays down the rule of evidence truly applica- the burthen of proving his own innocence, contrary was a stranger and did not know the habits of inter- ble to Mr. Ennett's case. The evidence in that to the maxim of law and usages in such cases, his course. 2d. That he had no motive to palm a case was, that one Chambers had had his tobacco | counsel ought not to have been refused, as they were, forged certificate upon the Senate, as he knew he stolen on Friday night, that he followed the the right and privilege of replying to such objections could obtain his seat by other proof of his election. tract of a cart from near his tobacco house, to as might have been made in argument to that proof, 3d. That as soon as he heard it rumored that its a house of the defendant, Scipio Smith, on and more especially, as the Committee's report genuineness was suspected, on Tuesday morning the next morning, Saturday-that said house was charged with all its errors, had been printed, circubefore the Senate was organized, he called on the on Smith's land and within 80 or 100 yards from lated, and must have prejudiced Mr. Ennett's cause. Senate's officer, Mr. Stone-made a full and open his dwelling house, and that on that day (Saturday) And the undersigned also protest in this, that the statement of the matter, which if he was a guilty his tobacco was found in Smith's house-that Smith | Speaker ought not to have Interrupted Mr. Ennett's man, it is improbable he would have done, as the claimed the tobacco so found in his house as his counsel as he did, by repeatedly calling him to orofficer by reporting it to the Senate placed it in the own, in the presence of Chambers, and stated in der, for we think it was the counsel's duty to say power of that body to rescind the order admitting what field it was grown, and that he. Smith, had what he did, when thus called to order, with the him to his seat, and thus have defeated his whole ordered it to be put in that house. It was also pro- view of securing an unprejudiced trial to his client.

uine certificate from the Sheriff, whereby he was the time, who were jointly indicted and tried with Senate against any unfavorable impressions or preenabled to form a belief as to the true character of their father. The Judge who tried the cause be- judice that the report of the Committee might have the first certificate, he lost no time in stating that low, applied to Scipio Smith, the father's case, the made in their bosons, as that report contained varibelief to the Senate and asking for a Committee of rule of law which the Committee have applied to ous errors of law and fact and had been for some Mr. Ennett's case. All the defendants were con-time printed and circulated from which he was fear-The Committee of Investigation rested their belief victed; they appealed to the Supreme Court, and ful his client's case may have been prejudged, dispio Smith the father. Judge Gaston, who has been improper motives to the Committee or to the Senate. possession of a forged instrument, and gives no satistically called "a good man and a great Judge," de The counsel was here called to order by the Speak-factory account of the manner he got the possession, livered the opinion of the whole Court. He says er for charging the Senate with having prejudged nor the person who did it, and uses it for his own as follows: "when we examine the cases, in which the case He promptly reiterated his disclaimer of

sion is of a kind which manifests that the stolen such charges at this time; that all men, in all ages, goods have come to the possessor by his own act, were subject to the infirmity of entertaining prejuat all events, by HIS UNDOUETED CONCURRENCE." dices, however honest might be their hearts and He then mentions a leading case stated by that intentions; that the most houest and confiding then 1st. As to the maxim of law. We say that its great and good Judge, Lord Hale, where a horse were sometimes the most insensible to its influence; theless be unable to account for it, as the Senate danger of entertaining any prejudices, or participa-The rule of evidence which the Committee ought may have in Mr. Ennett's case, forgotten, that a ting in any public excitement on the defendant's case the Senate on the 29th of November, although the to have applied to his case, is this, "that where the man i ay be put in possession of a letter containing -that he felt it to be his duty as Counsel to give latter was not so full: Which were in substance, possession is of such a kind, as manifests that the a forge certificate or counterfeit notes, and the post this caution, and meant not to be personal or disterthat a stranger called at his room on Sunday night, stolen goods (or forged certificate) have come to the sessor to unable to prove who gave him that letter pectful in the least. Therefore, he thought the -much hore easy and common it is to palm a let- Senate ought to be wary and distrustful of themnot make himself known to Mr. Ennett-he asked currence," it affords presumption of guilt. (See ter upon a man, than to palm a horse upon him, selves, when party spirit was so rife every where him to walk in—the stranger replied he was in a Judge Gaston's opinion in the late case of the State and yet both have and may happen. Another case in this State, and throughout the country, and dishurry, and handed him [Mr. E.] the letter, and im- vs. Smith, 2d Iredell's rep.) In Mr. Ennett's case is mentioned by Judge Gaston where the sheep of card all personal, sectarian or party prejudice, for mediately retired in the dark—that Mr. E. supposed the evidence did not manifest that the spurious cer A stray from his flock to the flock of B, and B that prejudice would sometimes course through it to be a letter from some effice seeker, but on open tificate came to his possession by his own flock and shears them. I honest minds as insensibly as the blood did through ing it discovered it contained the certificate he ex- by his own concurrence, nor, that no other person B was held not guilty, because he might not have the veins-silently and warmly; or as insensibly as pected of his election. The proof was also, that could have had a motive to put the possession upon suspected they were not his sheep, and it was bet the atmost phere through the lungs." Here he was the signature to the certificate resembled the hand. him. His statement being that of an honest man, ter that 99 guilty persons should escape than that again called to order by the Speaker, on the grounds that a discussion of party feeling was out of order.

Senator Wilson then arose to the question of order, and stated that he did not perceive how the counsel was out of order, and that it seemed to him impossible that he could do justice to his cfient unless such latitude of remark was allowed him. The Speaker called Mr. Wilson to order, and he took his seat. Senator Biggs next arose to the question of order, stating that he did not perceive that the counsel's remarks were out of order. The Speaker called him to order, unless he meant to appeal from the decision of the Chair, and if he did, he must reduce the part of Mr. Hellen and others, intimating their what he also expected to arrive every hour, at and according to common experience, warranted in his point of Order to writing. Mr. Biggs did so, and read it aloud to the Speaker, who remarked, that he would write down his point of order himself. Having written it, and read it to the Senate, it was this:

The chair decides that the counsel for Mr. Ennett must confine himself to the rules prescibed for the government of the Senate in the discussion of the question before the House, and that it was not in order to refer to, or discuss the state of parties

The excited manner of the Speaker-his having changed the grounds of his decision-and the remarks of the counsel showing that he was improperly interrupted by the Speaker-sausfied the undersigned, that justice could not be done te Mr. Ennett's defence, unless that freedom of debate was allowed his counsel, which in no other tribunal before have they known it to be denied, and the necessity for which they think the sequel to this trial has fully he had received the certificate of his election in a page 122. That case was this: Britt, the defendant, nett's confiding simplicity of character—with the shown; for, the fact is now before the world, that whilst the whole Senate of both parties, recorded ter from Mr. Marble, and on that day presented the own favor, had presented and obtained on it money a crime; with his open disclosure to the Senate's their votes in favor of the first resolution, only his two letters to the Senate, made his statement how the or goods, and upon being charged with the forgery, Clerk on Tuesday morning soon after a fraud was political opponents, [by a strict party rote,] voted his guilt and expulsion, and that AT LAST, this dreadful degradation of a man, for unblemished character; of his family and constituency, was only accom