

THE NORTH CAROLINIAN

IMPORTANT FROM CUBA.

From the New York Sun. Reinforcements sent from Havana to Principe—Removal of Gen. Lamer... Desecration among the troops at Matanzas... Desertion among the Spanish soldiers at Principe—Pronunciamentos among the towns and villages.

For the following highly interesting and important news, we are indebted to Cuban gentlemen resident in this city, whose advices from all parts of the Island of Cuba, per steamer Cherokee, are full and accurate. Connected with the participants, and deeply interested in the glorious Revolution of July 4th, the statements which we receive from them may be relied upon as correct.

As soon as the pronunciamento had been published a crowd of people assembled in the groves of Najasa, on the Betancort estate. Here they raised their flag, and were holding consultations when they were attacked by a detachment of cavalry lancers, sent out from the garrison of Principe by order of General Lamer.

The garrison of Principe amounted to 2,400 men before the rising took place, but the soldiers are daily passing over to the standard of the Cubans. A general engagement is hourly expected. We await the next news from Principe with the utmost anxiety.

The Captain General has removed General Lamer from the command of Principe. I have not heard for what reason. The Governor of Matanzas has just forwarded to the Captain General, an official notice, that the Regiment of Leon, at that place, was in a state of disaffection and must be immediately removed.

The political intelligence from Cuba is highly interesting, but of a very contradictory nature. We give, however, the different reports as we have heard them. We are indebted to a gentleman, who has resided for some time in Cuba, for the following items which certainly coincide with the intelligence we have been receiving for some days past.

From the Charleston Courier. LATER. SUNKEN, July 23. Unfortunate Occurrence.—We regret to state that about 10 o'clock, on yesterday morning, the 23d inst., the residence of James H. Britton, esq. situated in the suburbs of our town, was entirely destroyed by fire.

LOOK AT THE CORRUPTION AT WASHINGTON.

THE CENSUS OF 1850.

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Mr. Kennedy, the head of the census bureau, has been permitted to go, or has been sent, to Europe in defiance of all law—his expenses being paid by the government, while his salary is paid as if he were now in Washington attending to his duties. There is no legal authority for such a proceeding; on the contrary, the proceeding is directly opposed to and in defiance of law.

The administration has endeavored to give an excuse for authorizing the absence of Mr. Kennedy—for paying the expenses of his European tour while paying his salary during his absence. The excuse amounts to this: Mr. Kennedy was not thus furnished the means of the government to enjoy himself at the World's Fair; but he was sent abroad to ascertain how European nations arranged their census and statistical tables.

On the other hand, we are told by other parties, whose information is generally unquestionable, that the insurrection at Principe is an affair that has created no alarm in the Island of Cuba, and that what they term the exaggerated reports in the journals of the day, have their origin in Havana, for the sole object of creating an excitement in the United States.

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SINGULAR ELECTRICAL PHENOMENON AT NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS.

The New Bedford Mercury publishes a communication from a gentleman of that city giving an account of a singular electrical phenomenon which occurred at his residence on the evening of the 5th inst. He was seated in his library reading, when his wife came in and seated herself in a rocking chair at the other end of the table. Finding the solar lamp a little too far from her, she drew the chair over the carpet towards the table; partially raising herself in the chair, but not entirely out of it. The instant the chair moved an explosion took place, exceedingly sharp and as loud as a Chinese cracker.

Upon removing the sofa, two or three minutes after the explosion, the smell was so strong as to be highly offensive. It was as powerful as that which accompanies the ignition of a match. It was thought that the carpet was on fire. The hand of Mrs. C. was found to have been burned near the knuckle of the forefinger.

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EXTRACT FROM THE SPEECH OF PATRICK HENRY.

March 23d, 1775.

Mr President.—It is natural for man to indulge in the illusion of hope. We are apt to shut our eyes against a painful truth, and listen to the song of that siren, till she transforms us into beasts. Is this the part of wise men, engaged in a great and arduous struggle for liberty?

Suffer not yourselves to be betrayed with a kiss. Ask yourselves how this gracious reception of our petition, compares with those warlike preparations, which cover our waters, and darken our land. Are fleets and armies necessary to a work of love and reconciliation? Have we shown ourselves so unwilling to be reconciled, that force must be called in to win back our love?

I ask gentlemen, sir, what means this martial array, if its purpose be not to force us to submission? Can gentlemen assign any other possible motive for it? Has Great Britain any enemy in this quarter of the world, to call for all this accumulation of navies and armies? No, sir, she has none.

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WANTED.

FOUR large sized good MULES, well broke to the wagon, and not exceeding seven years old. Apply to D. & W. McClain, Fayetteville, or to the subscriber at Slickville, 12 miles above Fayetteville, on the east side of Cape Fear River.

COME AT LAST. Mess Beef and Pork: 1000 lbs prime Lard. For sale low by H. BRANSON & SON. July 26, 1851

50 hds. sweet Molasses, 1000 sacks Liverpool Salt, with our usual stock of Groceries. J & T. WADDILL. July 26, 1851

\$20 Reward (FOR EACH.) Ranaway in December, 1850, my negro boys ABRAM and HENRY. Henry is 5 feet 7 inches high, and about 33 years old. He is well known in Fayetteville, where he learned the blacksmith trade. He is rather small and very dark, with a down cast look.

Fayetteville and Centre. PLANK ROAD. MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS. Notice is hereby given, that a Meeting of the subscribers to the proposed Plank Road from Fayetteville to Centre, in States County, will be held in the HOTEL HALL in the Town of Fayetteville.

On Thursday the 21st day of August next, for the purpose of organizing the Company, preparatory to commencing the work. The amount necessary to secure the Charter, having been subscribed in the Town of Fayetteville and County of Cumberland, it is earnestly requested that all who are interested in the road, either as subscribers or as intending to become so, will appear at this meeting, in person or by proxy, and that all Subscription books in the hands of Commissioners will be returned to the meeting.

Wholesale Prices. Corrected weekly for the North Carolinian. FAYETTEVILLE.

Table with columns: COUNTRY PRODUCE, MERCHANDISE, and various goods like Bacon, Brandy, Coffee, etc.

Table with columns: WILMINGTON MARKET. Corrected weekly by the Commercial. NAVAL STORES, COFFEE, and various goods.

REMARKS.—Owing to the dry weather very little produce coming in. Our market is quite bare of Flour—sales of New, from the wagons, at 64 cash, and even higher prices would have been paid yesterday if there had been any in.

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