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BRYAN & YATES.

MARBLE FACTORY,
BY GEO. LAUDER.
Nearly opposite to E. W. Willkings' Auction Store, Fayetteville, N. C.
Oct. 1, 1853. y

CARTHAGE HOTEL.
Having recently purchased the above establishment from Malcom Kelly, Esq., I am now prepared to entertain in a comfortable manner those who may give me a call. Having ample stables, good hostlers and a disposition to accommodate, I trust I shall be able to give entire satisfaction to those who may favor me with their patronage.
H. C. McLEAN.
December 3, 1853. 70-tf

EDW'D McPHERSON
WITH
GREENWAY BRO. & CO.
Importers and Wholesale Dealers in Foreign and Domestic DRY GOODS.
24 Park Place and 19 Barclay street, New York.
November 7, 1853 6m-pd

PLANTATION AND LAND FOR SALE.
The subscriber offers his Plantation and Land for sale, situated on the East side of Cape Fear River, about four miles from Fayetteville. There are about 300 acres of land, 30 of which are cleared and under cultivation. On the premises is a dwelling and all necessary out-houses. The soil, for fertility, is not surpassed by any on Cape Fear River. Persons wishing to purchase will please call and examine the premises. A bargain may be had.
JOHN McLERAN.
Jan'y 14, 1854 3m-pd

DR. T. C. HALL
Has removed to the well-known stand of the Drs. Robinson, corner of Green and Bow streets.
April 23, 1853. tf

Highly important to Housekeepers.
MATRESSES! MATRESSES! MATRESSES!
All competition in the trade defied.
The subscriber begs leave to inform the public that he has constantly on hand, and is manufacturing to order, all kinds and sizes of Matresses, which he intends to sell 25 per cent cheaper than any similar establishment in this place. Having served as an apprentice to the business in one of the northern cities, he trusts that he will be able to give the most complete satisfaction to his customers. He manufactures hair Matresses, Matresses with springs, fire Matresses, and all kinds of settee bottomings. He does also all kinds of repairing and renewing. Persons in want of any article in his line are requested to call and see specimens of his work at the Post Office building.
JOSEPH OTTARBURG.
January 21, 1854. 3m

CLEMENT G. WRIGHT,
Attorney at Law, Fayetteville, N. C.
Office at the corner of Bow and Green streets.
Feb'y 3, 1853.

J. W. BAKER
Has received from the North the largest, finest, and most carefully selected stock of FURNITURE ever offered in this market, consisting of fashionable painted cottage bed room furniture in setts; curled-hair and shuck and cotton Mattresses; Looking Glasses; Willow Wagons and Cradles; patent self-swinging Cradles; Side Boards; Bureaus; Secretaries and Book Cases; What-Nots; Tables, all sorts; Wash Stands; Candle Stands; Wardrobes; Picture Frames and Glass; Window Shades; Cornices; Curtain Bands; Sofas in Mahogany and Walnut; Tete a Tetes; Ottomans; Divans & Stools; Chairs of every variety. Fine rosewood Pianos (Bennet & Co's, of Broadway, New York).
October 29, 1853 1y-pd

NOTICE.
THOSE who are indebted to me by Note or Account will please settle the same. And all debts due me prior to the 1st Jan'y 1853, must be settled, as longer indulgence cannot be given.
A. A. McKETHAN.
Oct 1, 1853. tf

K. M. MURCHISON,
Commission and Forwarding Merchant,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
January 7, 1854 y

NOTICE.
Having purchased the interest of T. R. Underwood in the firm of G. W. Lawrence & Co., I will continue business as heretofore at MARY'S GARDEN.
I have from 12 to 15 Coopers constantly at work manufacturing SPIRIT BARRELS, at the rate of 100 to 125 per week; have now on hand 400 Barrels for sale, at $2 25 cash at the shop, or $2 35 delivered in town.
I shall also continue the distilling of Turpentine, and will pay within 15 cents per barrel of the Fayetteville price in cash, or goods at cash prices.
Turpentine Wanted.
I have now in Store a general assortment of Goods, for sale at Fayetteville prices. All kinds of country produce taken in exchange for goods. Call and see.
G. W. LAWRENCE.
Nov 25, 1853 60-tf

BARTH'W FULLER,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.
Office on Anderson Street.
October 22, 1853 6m

LAND BROKER.
I have so many calls about Turpentine lands that I have concluded to offer my services to buy and sell. Those having lands for sale will furnish me with plots and quantity, together with a fair description, and price.
Nov. 18, 1853. 68 tf. JAMES G. COOK.

NOTICE.---MULES FOR SALE.
The subscribers offer for sale Three Teams of Mules, Wagon and Harness. Those wanting Mules would do well to call on the premises.
Also, 2000 acres turpentine Land for sale. Call and see.
J. K. MELVIN.
Cypress Creek, Bladen Co., } W. A. MELVIN.
December 8, 1853. } 71-tf

FALL AND WINTER STOCK
For 1853.
The subscriber has just received and opened, at his New Store on the East side of Green street, a few doors from the Market House and nearly opposite his Old Stand, a large Stock of
Staple and Fancy Dry Goods,
Embracing a general assortment of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Dress Goods, consisting in part of Shawls, Cloaks and Mantillas, some very fine; and also a good assortment of Shoes and Boots, for Ladies, Gentlemen, Girls, Boys and Children. And the best assortment of Silk and other styles of Bonnets he has ever offered to the public.
Sugar, Coffee, Tea, Pepper, Spices, and Tobacco, a fine article.
P. SHEMWELL.
October 8, 1853.

CEDAR FALLS Cotton Yarns and Sheetings for sale by
TROY & MARSH.
Nov 12, 1853 y

$150 REWARD.
Runaway from the subscriber, his Negro men, JOHN and TOBEY. John is about 26 years old, 6 feet 1 inch high, weighs about 185 or 190 lbs. Tobey aged about 22 yearss 5 feet 9 inches high, stout, and weighs 175 lbs. They were bought from Mr James Surles, of Cumberland county, and will probably be lurking in that neighborhood. Tobey has a wife at Mr Richard Bird's, in Johnston County. Twenty-Five Dollars for either, or Fity Dollars for both, will be paid for their apprehension and delivery to the subscriber, or for their confinement in any Jail in the State, so that he can get them. An additional sum of One Hundred Dollars will be paid for the conviction of any person of harboring the above Negroes.
JOHN COLEY.
Fair Buff, Columbus Co. N. C., Oct. 6. 63-tf

A. HARBAUGH,
Architect and Builder, Fayetteville, N. C.,
Respectfully informs the public that he is prepared to execute PLANS of every description—such as State and Court Houses, Prisons, &c. Also, Churches, Cottages, and other public and private edifices, costing from $500 to $10,000; Bridges, Roofs, &c. &c., all with Specifications and Contracts made for the same. He will also superintend all kinds of work.
Orders will receive prompt attention, and Plans drawn and sent to any part of the country at short notice.
Oct. 15, 1853. 1y-pd

1200 ACRES OF LAND FOR SALE.
The subscriber offers for sale twelve hundred acres of Land, located in the lower end of Richmond county. It is about equi-distant from Floral College, Laurenburg High School, and Laurel Hill. The Land is well adapted to the growth of corn, cotton, wheat, &c. It also offers great inducements to those engaged in the turpentine and lumber business. I have constituted Alexander McLean, Esq. my agent, during my absence, to whom all communications in regard to the matter may be addressed at Gilopolis P. O., Robeson county. Luther Blue, who resides near to the premises, will take pleasure in exhibiting them to any one who may call for that purpose.
J. G. BLUE.
Oct. 22, 64-tf

TO MILL OWNERS.
The subscriber takes this method of informing his friends and the public that he still continues in the Mill Wright business and all its branches, viz: foundering, framing, and erecting Water or Steam Mills upon various principles, either with simple or complicated machinery. He returns his thanks to the public for the liberal patronage he has received heretofore, and hopes by strict attention to business, and by giving general satisfaction, to merit a continuance of the same. He flatters himself that his work will compete with that of any other machinist for speed and durability. All persons who want work done in the above line would do well to give him a call, as he has several competent workmen in his employ, and is prepared to execute all jobs at the shortest notice and on very reasonable terms. Orders promptly attended to. For further information address the subscriber at Johnsonville, Cumberland county, N. C.
D. B. JOHNSON.
November 16, 1853 y-4pd.

GILL'S NE PLUS ULTRA BURNISH.
The Subscriber, a practical Boot-maker of some experience, has for some time been sensible that there is a *desideratum* to be yet supplied to the public in the way of a suitable burnish for boots and shoes. Most of the articles now used either injure the leather or fail to impart that lustre so necessary to give to man's "*understanding*" a proper finish. He has therefore, during the last twelve months, been devoting himself to the task of preparing an article free from these objections, and has at length after much investigation and experiment completely succeeded. The result is "*Gill's ne plus ultra Burnish.*" He only wishes that it may be tested in order to establish its superiority over all others. Call on him at his shop opposite Mr Lauder's Marble Factory, Hay street, and be supplied with an excellent article at a cheap rate.
THOMAS GILL.
Nov 9, 1853 tf

FALL SUPPLIES.
I have always on hand a full assortment of GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, and other Goods suitable for the Fall and Winter Trade, and which I offer for Cash, or in exchange for Produce of almost any kind.
I have now in Store—Flour, Meal, Corn, Rice, Bacon, Lard, Butter, Cheese, Crackers, Salt, white Clarified and Brown Sugars, Rio and Java Coffee, Tea, Molasses, Vinegar, Fish, Cigars, Tobacco, Snuff, Candles, Soap, Starch, Spices, Candies, Pepper, Buckets, Brooms, wrought and cut Nails, Powder, Shot, Percussion Caps, and a good assortment of Dye Stuffs; with many other things in the Grocery line.
Also a good assortment of Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes, Negro Blankets and Kerseys, and a good assortment of Ready-made Clothing. Call and buy cheap.
W. H. CARVER.
October 29, 1853. 765-6m

Notice!
Having purchased the stock of Material on hand at the Shop formerly owned by Mr. E. Fuller, and having engaged the services of Mr. J. C. Lally, whose work gives such general and entire satisfaction, I am now prepared to execute all orders for Timber Wagons, Road Wagons, Carts, Drays, Wheelbarrows, &c.
I have on hand and will constantly keep a good supply of Iron Axles, Chains, Bolts, and in short, every thing that the Wagon-maker can need.
Timber Wagons, with the improved Iron Axles, made to order at the shortest notice.
I have ten good and competent Workmen at the business, and will give it my whole and undivided attention.
My prices shall be as moderate as the times will admit, and I will challenge any Wagon-maker in the United States to equal my work, either in point of style or durability.
THOS. C. FULLER.
Oct. 29, 1853. 65-tf

The Mill that took the Premium!
The undersigned has the pleasure of announcing to the citizens of Robeson and the adjoining counties, that he has purchased the entire interest of Messrs. Gregory & Rogers in the Steam Saw and Grist Mill at this place; and is now prepared to fill all orders for Lumber that may be sent in. Having a superior quality of Timber to saw he is confident his Lumber cannot be surpassed.
Terms for Flooring and Weather-boarding $12
Inch Boards, Ceiling and Scantling, 10
Roughage half price, say 5
The cash will invariably be required on delivery of the Lumber, as the undersigned intends keeping no books for that purpose. The above terms will be strictly adhered to in all cases.
D. W. ROGERS.
Lumberton, Dec. 10, 1853. 71-tf

B. F. GRADY,
GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANT,
WILMINGTON, N. C.,
Liberal cash advances made on consignments of Naval Stores, Cotton, and other produce. Office at the Store of Messrs Grady & Monk, North Water Street.
Nov. 1. 3m

Bank Checks and Notes,
On all the Banks in Fayetteville, just printed in a superior style, for sale at the
CAROLINIAN OFFICE.

SECOND
FALL AND WINTER STOCK FOR 1853.
STARR & WILLIAMS are now receiving their second stock, for this season, of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods; Hats, Caps, Shoes, Boots; Silk, Satin and Straw Bonnets; Umbrellas, and Ready-made Clothing; with a large assortment of Hosiery, Gloves, Silk and Cotton Handkerchiefs.
The above stock embraces a variety of Seasonable Goods not enumerated, comprising one of the largest assortments we have ever offered; and having recently been purchased by the package, at a reduction from the prices of the first of the season, they will be offered to wholesale buyers on our usual terms.
J. B. STARR.
Oct 3, 1853. J. M. WILLIAMS.

NEW FALL GOODS.
The subscribers have received and opened, at their Old Stand, a very large and handsome Stock of
Staple and Fancy Dry Goods,
Embracing every style and quality Ladies' Dress Goods. Also, all styles of Goods for Gentlemen's wear; Fine Moleskin and other styles fashionable Dress Hats; Satin and Straw Bonnets; Boots and Shoes, etc.
☞ We call particular attention to a splendid assortment of
Ready-made Clothing,
Of the very best material and workmanship.
In our stock may be found all Goods suited to the season, at the very lowest market prices. All in want of Goods in our line will please give us a call
E. L. & J. A. PEMBERTON.
Hay St., Fayetteville, Oct. 8, 1853. 62-tf

FINE FRUIT! FINE FRUIT!!
Ten Thousand Apple Trees of the finest kinds, ripening in succession, from the earliest to the latest. Ten Thousand Peach Trees of the finest kinds, ripening in succession, from early in June to November. One Thousand Cherry Trees of the finest kinds, ripening in succession, from the first of May to July; also, a fine assortment of Apricots, Nectarines, Plums, Pears and Strawberry plants, for sale at the Pomological Gardens and Nurseries, at Cane Creek, Chatham county, and New Garden, Guilford county. Orders for trees should be sent in early. Catalogues will be sent to all applicants.
During my absence my brother, Owen Lindley, will deliver trees at Cane Creek, and my son, Albert G Lindley, at New Garden.
JOSHUA LINDLEY.
New Garden, Guildford county, N. C., }
The 14th of the 10th mo., } 765-3m

At Home Again.
W. DRAUGHON has the pleasure of informing his customers and the public that he has moved his stock of Goods to his new store, at the old stand.
His recent purchases in New York and Philadelphia makes his stock complete. He has on hand, for sale at low prices, a full stock of
Groceries and Dry Goods, Boots & Shoes,
Hardware & Cutlery, Crockery and Glass-ware,
Window Glass, Clocks,
Pure French Brandy, Holland Gin, St. Croix and Old Jamaica Rum,
Port, Madeira, Brown and Golden Sherry,
Malaga, Sicily, and Scuppernong Wines;
Old Rye Whiskey,
With his usual large stock of Domestic Liquors.
Also, 20 dozen Wolfe's Aromatic Schneidam Schnapps.
100,000 Segars, (very cheap,)
25 Baskets Champaigne,
Hock Wine, (six varieties,)
Sardines; Sperm and Adamantine Candles.
W. DRAUGHON, Market Square
Nov 12, 1853 3m

WAGON.---A two horse wagon with fixtures complete for sale
J. & T. WADDILL.
Dec. 17, 1853. 72-tf

Shucks Wanted.
The subscribers want to purchase any quantity of the above named articles; those having the same for sale will do well to call on us at the Store No. 7, Green Street, North of the Market, after the first of January.
R. W. HENRY.
Dec. 17, 1853. 72-tf J. HENRY.

LATE ARRIVALS.
THE subscriber is daily receiving additions to his stock of SEASONABLE GOODS, which are offered at fair prices, for cash or produce.
JUST TO HAND.
Super Black, Brown, Blue and Green FROCK COATS.
" " " " " Over "
Satin, and other kinds of Vests.
Cassimere Pants and Pants Stuff.
Hats, Caps, and CITY-MADE Boots, light and heavy, which will be warranted to purchasers.
Also, a large stock common Boots and Shoes.
Traveling Trunks, Carpet Bags, and Carpeting.
1 piece heavy Cocoa Matting, for passages.
WOOD-WARE.—Tubs, Kelars, Pails, Buckets, various kinds, &c.
Blacksmith's Tools, Mill Saws, Cross Cut and Hand Saws, Glue, Hoop and other Iron, with a good assortment of Dry Goods, Groceries and Hard-Ware, making a very fair general stock. Buyers are invited.
THOS. J. JOHNSON.
Near the Cape Fear Bank, below the Market House.
Fayetteville, Oct. 29, 1853. 65-3mo

Lime--400 Casks, fresh from the kiln,
Calcined Plaster Paris,
Cement and Plastering Hair,
A few casks extra white Lime, for putty or white-washing, for sale by
J. W. POWERS & CO.
October 1, 1853 tf

10,000 lbs Tallow wanted,
For which the highest cash price will be paid.
Oct 8, 1853 A. M. CAMPBELL.

THE SUBSCRIBERS will receive proposals for 100,000 lbs. of Cotton Batting or Wadding. Also, for 3,000,000 (three millions) of Reeds from 3 to 3½ feet long, and also, 10,000 (ten thousand) pounds of good clean Corn Shucks, in stated quantities. For further particulars inquire of
R. W. HENRY.
Fayetteville, Nov. 14, 1853. 68-tf. J. HENRY.

A. M. Campbell,
AUCTIONEER & COMMISSION MERCHANT,
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.
October 1, 1853.

CHEAP GOODS,
I am now receiving a much larger stock of
Fancy Dry Goods
than I have yet offered in Fayetteville, consisting of Dry Goods of every description, Hats, Boots, Shoes, and Ready-made Clothing, which will be sold as low as any goods in the State.
I will be glad to have the ladies call and examine my stock.
W. F. MOORE.
Sept. 17, 1853. tf

FOR SALE OR RENT,
The fine SUMMER RESIDENCE two miles west of town—Possession given immediately. Apply to John H. Cook or C. E. Leete.
S. A. LEETE.
March 19, 1853. tf

NOTICE.
In pursuance of an order of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Bladen county, will be sold on Thursday the 9th day of Feb'y next, at the Mills, the late residence of Geo. T. Barksdale, dec'd, upon six months' credit, Nine Valuable Negroes, viz:—Jack, Ned, Matilda, Charity, Sophy, Eliza, Dolphin, Alexander, and John. Bond and approved sureties required. Sold to pay debts.
P. MURPHY, Adm'r.
Dec. 31, 1853. 74-5t

A Teacher wanted for 12 months, qualified to prepare Boys for College. $450 and board will be paid one to suit and well recommended. A portion of the time a Common School will be taught. Address the subscriber, Taylor's Bridge, N. C.
PATRICK MURPHY,
Dec. 31, 1853. 74-4t

NORTH CAROLINIAN.
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.

NEWS IT... About $8 ... been subscribed in ... Boston, and a considerable ... to be presented to the ... who rescued the sufferers from ... steamer San Francisco. The ... New York have also raised a pri... of $1000 for Capt. Watkins, comm... the San Francisco.

It is run... another of the Pacific steamers w... on Christmas day, but the passengers a...

Count Bo... the Russian Minister, and Gen. Armstr... tor of the Union, were laying danger... Washington city on the 21st instan...

An emigrant vessel is reported to have been wrecked recently on Jedore Ledge, bound from Liverpool to New York, and 140 lives lost.

LARGE YIELD OF COTTON.—Seven thousand one hundred pounds of Cotton were grown, the past season, on 5½ acres of land in Johnston county, belonging to Walter R. Moore, Esq. On 1¾ acres of this land, three thousand and one pounds were grown.—*Raleigh Register.*

SMALL POX.—On Tuesday last we gave notice of the existence of Small Pox in Duplin county. There are many reports as to the extent of its ravages, which are very probably exaggerated. But that it prevails to an alarming extent is evident from the fact that the County Court was not held there last week, having adjourned on Monday morning without doing any business.

We have heard of one case in this county, about 24 miles from town, at Burgaw.

The chief object of this article is to press most earnestly on our fellow citizens, the subject of vaccination. This is the only safe course, for the probability is that the disease will get among us despite of every precaution, and its character as it exists in Duplin, is very virulent, as we are credibly informed.—*Wilmington Commercial, 21st.*

THE ERIE RIOT.—Both of the Railroad bridges, crossing High street and French Creek, were demolished on the 17th by the women of the city of Erie, who assembled in great numbers, cheered on by the men. The women were afterwards escorted through the town, headed by a band of music, with flags and banners.

It is stated that the President of the United States has been applied to for the military to suppress these riotous proceedings. The section of country about Erie is in a state of great excitement.

A TRAP FOR A TROUBLESOME TONGUE.—Sheridan was one day much annoyed by a fellow member of the House of Commons who kept crying out every few minutes, 'Hear! Hear!' Desiring the fellow to be quiet, and not interrupt the business, Sheridan asked the member if he was a political contemporary that wished to play rogue and only had sense enough to act fool. 'Where,' exclaimed he with great emphasis, 'where shall we find a more foolish knave or a more knavish fool than he?' 'Hear! Hear!' was shouted by the troublesome member.—Sheridan turned round, thanked him for the prompt information, and sat down amid a general roar of laughter.

POSSIBLE.—A girl in Pittsburg being struck dumb by the firing of a cannon, it is said that a number of married men of that interesting village have, in consequence, invited the artillery company to parade upon their premises.

A Chinaman in New York, the other day, about being sworn as a witness, was questioned in regard to his religious belief, when he replied through an interpreter:

"I believe in the President of the United States and God Almighty."

SECOND
PURCHASE FOR THE FALL OF 1853.
The undersigned would notify their customers and all others buying in this market, that they are now receiving a second Stock of Fall Goods for 1853, selected by one of the firm personally, consisting of a general assortment of
Dry Goods, Hardware, Hats, Caps, Boots and Shoes.
Also—A large addition to their stock of Ready-Made Clothing.
All of which they offer to the trade upon their usual accommodating terms.
Purchasers will find it to their interest to give our stock an examination before making their selections.
HALL & SACKETT.
October 8, 1853.

H. ERAMBERT,
Confectionery and Variety Store,
Under the Fayetteville Hotel, Hay Street,
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.
December 31, 1853 y

State of North Carolina--Robeson County.
Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions—To February Term, 1854.
Bright Williams, Administrator of Alfred R. Rogers, vs. Henry Rogers, Ebenezer Rogers, and others.
Petition to sell a Slave for the payment of Debts.

It appearing to the Court that the following persons, next of kin of the testator, Alfred R. Rogers, are non-residents of this State, to wit: Mary Deer and wife Polly, ——— Barnes and wife Milly, Nancy Rogers, who are the brothers and sisters of said Alfred R. Rogers; Zany, Jesse, Henry, Bigum, Buddy, Looper, Dew, Ebenezer Barfield, Irvin Scott and wife Mary Ann, Robert, Susan, Sealy, Hinant and Hannah Rogers, who are the children of Dew Rogers, deceased, who was a brother of said Alfred R., the intestate; Henry Rogers, Ebenezer Rogers, Harrell and wife Hannah, Harrell and wife Sall, Edward and wife Mary, are non-residents of this State; it is ordered that publication be made in the North Carolinian, a newspaper published in the Town of Fayetteville, for the space of four weeks, notifiying the above named parties to appear at the next Term of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Robeson, at the Court House in Lumberton, on the fourth Monday of February next, and then and there to answer, plead or demur to said Petition, or the same will be taken as confessed as to them.

Witness, Shadrach Howell, Clerk of said Court at office in Lumberton, the fourth Monday of November, A. D. 1853, and of American Independence the 78th year.
75-4t] S'D'H. HOWELL, Clerk C. C.
Issued the 31st Dec. 1853.

BROWN & DeROSSET,
NEW YORK.
DeROSSET & BROWN,
WILMINGTON, N. C.
General Commission Merchants.

WORTH & ELLIOTT,
(Successors to J. D. Williams,)
FORWARDING & COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.
J. A. WORTH.] [W. P. ELLIOTT,
May 7, 1853. 58-tf

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH.

Of all the distinguished men of South Carolina, there was none more gifted than George McDuffie. He was a star of the first magnitude. Honest and sincere in all his actions—a profound jurist—a statesman of the largest experience he represented his State for many years in the national councils with a devotion that endeared him to his constituents, and a fullness of knowledge, that placed him in the first rank of legislators. His speeches, and his reports as Chairman of the Committee of Ways and means, not only established his reputation in America, but in Europe he was hailed as the champion of free trade, and complimented by the statesmen of England, as one of the master spirits of the age. His life, if written by a competent hand, would make a very interesting biography. It would exhibit a poor boy in the humble walks of life, environed with difficulties, yet surmounting those difficulties with an iron will, that ultimately elevated him to a position that commanded the profound respect and admiration of his cotemporaries. His career in Congress is too generally known for us to do more than give it a passing glance; and such was the estimation in which he was held by General Jackson that notwithstanding the violence of the nullification controversy, the old President uniformly expressed the most affectionate regard for McDuffie, saying repeatedly 'that if there was an honest man alive, that man was George McDuffie.' He was undoubtedly one of the most intellectual men of the age; his mind was eminently logical, and you shall try in vain to find a flaw in his arguments. One might have differed with him in the principles he expressed, but to grant his premises was to concede the argument. His contests with Webster leave no doubt as to the splendor of his intellect; his report on the United States Bank, was the ablest argument ever made on that side of the question; and his speeches on internal improvements, the tariff, the removal of the deposites, and on the expediency of amending the constitution, are all masterly, and seem to exhaust those subjects.

When he rose to speak, there was always a deathlike silence in the House—you might have heard a pin drop. His burning enthusiasm, the sparkling of his splendid grey eye, the emphatic enunciation that accompanied every word, held you captive, and step by step he hurried you along with him, from point to point, until you were subdued by the fascinating fervor of his transcendent genius. Nor was he deficient in sarcasm; his speeches in reply to the attacks of that miserable compound of vulgarity and impudence, Tristram Burgess, abound in wit and humor. His comparing General Jackson to Jupiter Tonans, in which Jupiter is represented as seizing the arms of all the Gods, wielding the powers of the Pantheon, and giving 'the stamp of Fate,' was one of the happiest illustrations of executive spoliation that has ever been exhibited by any orator of any age or nation. It was worthy of a Demosthenes!

His seat in the convention was to the left of the president, and in the vicinity of Major Hamilton, the revolutionary veteran. You could have recognized McDuffie at a glance. He was of the medium height, and dressed in a claret colored coat that was much too large for him; but his intellectual face attracted you at once, especially when his splendid eye was fired by the excitement of discussion. His hair was black, and cut with mathematical precision, straight from temple to temple, and smoothed down so as to display the shape of his head, which was large and admirably formed. But alas! there is a hectic flush upon his pale cheek; you perceive that he is daily dying from the immedicable wound he received in his youth. His hands are trembling violently. He is up! but his voice is clear and calm, his enunciation distinct, and his manner emphatic. Uttering a bold proposition, he pauses, and his eagle eye glances round the assembly. All is hushed.—You might hear your heart beat. But now he dashes into the argument, and you see an intellectual warrior before you, brandishing the armor of thruth, and wielding the hand of justice for liberty and the rights of man. He speaks like one inspired—his thoughts, words, and actions, are sublime—and when he pauses, as if to make a mighter effort, you feel like one entranced, and gaze with wonder at the man whose magic mind and eloquence have bound you captive to his triumphal ear.

McDuffie rose rapidly from obscurity to eminence, dividing the future, in the opinion of many, with Mr Calhoun, who was the first to recognize and to foster the fortunes of the orphan boy. He stepped at once to the head of the bar and until his election to Congress, he had no competitor in South Carolina as a lawyer. His practice was very lucrative, and perhaps no lawyer ever acquired so large a fortune in so short a time. In his marriage, too he was fortunate, leading to the altar one of the wealthiest beauties of the land—a daughter of Colonel Richard Singleton.

In his manners, McDuffie had the simplicity of a child. We shall relate an instance which is characteristic of the man. 'Your Mr McDuffie is a very singular person!' said a young lady to us on one occasion. 'How so?'—'Why, I was at the —— Springs, a few months since, and learning that the great Mr McDuffie was in the house, I went into the corridor to catch a glimpse of him, when who should approach me but the great man himself, saying 'Miss ——, I have lost my hat; won't you help me to hunt for it?' 'Of course you did?' 'Yes,' replied the lady, 'and found it! And his appearance, on ordinary occasions, was anything but *distingue*. We shall relate an anecdote that occurred only a few days before his election as Governor of the State. We were standing by his side in the House of Representatives, when a member from Charleston, Major John Huger, approached McDuffie, and said, 'Give me that chair; I wish it for Colonel Warren.' 'Certainly, sir, 'replied McDuffie, and handed the chair to Major Huger, who took it to old Colonel Warren, requesting him to relieve himself from the pain of supporting himself on his crutch, for the old hero had lost a leg at the battle of Savannah. A gentleman—we think it was Pickens Butler, the present Senator in Congress—who witnessed the occurrence, drew Major Huger aside, saying, 'What have you done!' 'Who—what?' exclaimed Huger, for the tone of Butler apprised him that he had committed some grievous blunder. 'Done, why could you find no chair for Col. Warren, but the one occupied by McDuffie?' 'Mr *who?*' exclaimed Huger, almost petrified with astonishment. 'McDuffie,' replied Butler. 'Heavens!' cried Huger, 'why I took him for a *pinchbeck* man!'

As a public speaker—he never spoke in private—McDuffie was variable in his style. On some occasions, he would be extremely rapid, dashing on with the rapity of a racer under whip and spur. At other times, he would utter a word or two in a low tone, and pause; take up a candle and remove it, as if jealous of its light. He then would utter a sentence, and replace the candle. Suddenly he would startle you by giving vent to a bold axiom, and strike the table with his fist, inflicting a blow that was hard enough to have demolished it. We heard him deliver his famous speech at Charleston, in vindication of his 'forty bale theory'—that he maintained the proposition that forty bales out of every hundred were lost to the planter, by the fraudulent operation of the protective system. He spoke *four* hours, and very deliberately, seeming to think over, and mould every thought before giving it utterance. He used considerable action, indeed it was rather dangerous to have a seat in his vicinity; and more than once we saw General Hayne dodge to avoid a blow from the sweeping arm of the orator. In the course of his argument, he would occasionally relate an anecdote that served to amuse, and relieve the audience, and which afforded him a good opportunity to take a fresh start in the argument he was elaborating.

Poor McDuffie! We see him in our mind's eye, as he stood on that occasion, uttering 'thoughts that breathe and words that burn'—bold, impassioned, eloquent—and now, alas! he sleeps the sleep that knows no waking, but his memory will be cherished by his dear native land, and his name be embalmed in the brightest page of his beloved Carolina.—*Mobile Tribune.*

Important Proclamation.

The subjoined important proclamation, issued by the President of the United States, will be read with interest. It relates to a subject which has attracted a large share of public attention, and will be received with general approbation. It shows that the President is determined to interpose to maintain the integrity of the laws against violation; and to this end, he calls upon all good citizens to discountenance the proceedings alluded to, requiring all public officers to exert their authority to arrest and bring to trial all offenders. This step was called for by the intelligence received by the President, and will be properly appreciated.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas information has been received by me that an unlawful expedition has been fitted out in the State of California with a view to invade Mexico—a nation maintaining friendly relations with the United States—and that other expeditions are organizing within the United States for the same unlawful purpose; and whereas certain persons have violated the laws of the United States, and of the rights of a friendly power, have participated, and are about to participate, in these enterprises, so derogatory to our national character, and so threatening to our tranquility, and are thereby incurring the severe penalties imposed by law against such offenders:

Now, therefore, I, Franklin Pierce, President of the United States, have issued this my proclamation, warning all persons who shall connect themselves with any such enterprise or expedition that the penalties of the law denounced against such criminal conduct will be rigidly enforced; and I exhort all good citizens, as they regard our national character, as they respect our laws or the law of nations, as they value the blessings of peace and the welfare of their country, to discountenance, and by all lawful means prevent, such criminal enterprises; and I call upon all officers of this government, civil and military, to use any efforts which may be in their power to arrest for trial and punishment every such offender.

Given under my hand and the seal of the United States, at Washington, this eighteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, and the seventy-eighth of the independence of the United States.
[L. S.]
FRANKLIN PIERCE.

By the President:
W. L. MARCY, Secretary of State.

THE CALORIC SHIP.—Capt. Ericsson, in a note to the editors of the New York Express, says:

"The new engines are completed, and have been at work for several days, their operation proving conclusively that the practical difficulties which attended the first arrangement have all been overcome. The new engines are much reduced in size, whilst their principle of action is the same as before, with this exception only, that condensed atmospheric air is employed in place of the ordinary atmospheric, for producing the motive power. This modification admits of an increase of power, limited only by the capability of retaining the pressure in the machine. Some difficulty has been experienced in this respect, and it is this which has caused some delay recently. The obstacle is, however, nearly removed, and the public will shortly have an opportunity of judging by practical evidence of the merits of the caloric ship."

We venture to assert, that in no town in North Carolina, is there more enterprise and public spirit exhibited, than in Fayetteville, and none for which the State has done as little. Her citizens are active and enterprising, and what they lack in means, they make up in industry and perseverance. They have more plank roads than perhaps can be found leading from any town in the South, and these are built mainly by individual subscription, and we hazard little in saying, that but for the arrogant boastings of Colby & Smith, they soon would have had a rail road to the coal fields.

We wish the new enterprise, the establishment of a female school, the greatest success.—*Raleigh Giraffe.*

A most revolting tragedy occurred at Southington, Conn., on the 19th inst. A Mr Finch, while probably laboring under mental aberration, proceeded to the room of his daughter, an idiot, about 20 years of age, and cut her throat with a razor while she lay asleep, after which he performed the same horrible operation on himself. Both died almost immediately.