

NORTH-CAROLINIAN.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.

Saturday, December 23, 1854.

Free Suffrage. The Free Suffrage bill introduced into the Senate by Mr. Boyd, of Rockingham, passed that body on Wednesday last by the constitutional majority—three-fifths. We have not seen the vote, but a gentleman who was present informs us that three whigs, Mr. Ashe of Anson, Mr. Christian of Montgomery, and Mr. Davis of Burke, voted for the measure, and Wm. Eaton, dem., of Warren, against it. Next week we will give the eyes and nose.

ATTEMPT TO BURN.—On Tuesday night last Messrs. Jones & Jessup's store in Campbellton, was broken into by some person unknown, and after robbing it, placed fire in a desk containing a quantity of papers, but owing to the closeness with which the lid shuts, the fire was smothered out before it consumed even the papers.

Next Friday, the respite granted to Jonathan Baker, now confined in our jail under sentence of death, expires, and we presume he will be executed on that day.

MR DANIEL A. MALLOY, of Lumber Bridge, has our thanks for the following list of subscribers:

David T. Barlow, Malcom McMillan, James McNatt, John McNatt, James Council, John Lanester, Peter Brown, Merritt Ansley, Peter Monroe, Daniel A. Malloy, John A. P. Conoley. We hereby acknowledge payment for the same.

THE MAILS.—The complaints of the Observer about the mails are just. Not a week passes but what we feel the inconvenience of the present bad mail arrangements. But we have lost all hope of having the evil remedied by the present Postmaster General. He don't seem to care anything about us in this connection. We have not said anything heretofore in regard to the matter for the reason that we thought it useless.

In the upper end of this county, between Barclayville and Summersville, the people have been without a mail for some time, and all our efforts combined cannot induce the Postmaster General to perform his duty in this respect. If he can't do any better, he had better quit and let somebody else try. Instead of increasing the pay of members of Congress, let the money be applied to bettering the mail facilities of the country.

HON. MR BIGGS.—In the last Standard we find published the able speech of Mr. Biggs in the Senate in opposition to Mr. Graham's Convention bill, and in reply to that gentleman's remarks. He argues the question with ability, and we think the Ex-Governor and the opponents of Free Suffrage in the General Assembly, have found an over match in the person of Hon. Mr. Biggs. Next week we intend publishing some extracts from the speech.

The Salisbury papers state that sack salt is selling in that place at \$4 per sack. The Wadesboro' Star says it is worth \$6 per sack in that market. In Fayetteville we believe the article is selling at the usual price, \$2.

Within the last month we have received three applications from some man in New York named Leonard, we believe, proposing to write communications for the Carolinian from that city at a stipulated price. He has his articles printed on a strip of paper, and in this way he has forwarded us several. As we paid no attention to his first application we hoped he would not bother us further about it. We now publicly say to him that we could not under any circumstances (though he were to furnish them gratis) publish his effusions, as we have our doubts about their truthfulness; and further, that whenever we want a correspondent in New York, we will make the selection without his services.

OUR SENATOR.—The Washington correspondent of the N. C. Standard, under date of Dec. 16th, says:

"Gov. Reid, your new Senator, and successor of Mr. Mangum, took his seat on Monday last. He appears in fine health and spirits, and was cordially greeted by his fellow senators, and especially by those who had served with him 8 or 10 years ago as members of the House of Representatives, of whom there are nearly a score now in the Senate. His presence here is a gratifying evidence of the growing strength of the democratic party in the Old North State, so long represented in the senate only by federalists."

RAILROAD CELEBRATION.—The citizens of the county of Rowan, are going to have a Railroad celebration at Salisbury, on the 4th of January, 1855, in commemoration of the completion of the North Carolina Railroad to that place. We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to be present on the occasion. Those who attend may expect to have a pleasant time.

On our first page we copy the resolutions adopted by the late Grand Lodge of A. Y. M. as a tribute of respect to the memory of Hon. Robt. Strange. In the 5th paragraph, where it says "the soul of masonry," &c., it should read "the sons of masonry into one common brotherhood."

NATIVE TALENT.—On Sunday evening last, in the Baptist Church, Mr. F. H. Ivey, of this place, preached to a large and we may say delighted congregation. This was his first effort of the kind in his native town, and we cannot refrain from expressing gratification at his complete success. Mr. Ivey was raised in the printing office of the Fayetteville Observer, and the ability he displays is the more gratifying to us because he is self-made, having but few other advantages than those derived in a printing office. He is yet quite young, and the character and manner of his discourse on Sunday evening, evinces a high degree of talent and a well balanced mind. He will no doubt occupy the front rank as a pulpit orator.

Railroad from Fayetteville to Greensboro.

We have received a copy of the bill introduced into the Senate last week to charter a Railroad to run from Fayetteville to Greensboro. The following is a synopsis of its provisions:

The 1st section appoints David A. Ray, D G McRae, James Banks, C T Haigh, George McNeill, H L Myröer, E L Winslow, of Fayetteville, and James Sloan, Jesse U Lindsay, Jas Garrett, Peter Adams, John A Mebane, D F Caldwell, of Greensboro, Commissioners to open books for receiving subscriptions to an amount not exceeding \$2,000,000, in shares of \$100 each.

Section 3d declares the Company incorporated when 1 thousand shares shall be subscribed. The 4th section requires each subscriber to pay, at the time of subscribing, \$2 on every share so subscribed.

Sec. 6th. When one hundred thousand dollars or more of the stock shall have been subscribed, the commissioners at Fayetteville are to call a general meeting of the subscribers for the purpose of organizing the company.

The 12th section provides that if found necessary the capital stock of the company may be increased two millions.

The 42d section gives the company the privilege to prolong the road from or near the terminus at Fayetteville so as to connect with the Wilmington and Mauchester Railroad, or with the proposed Wilmington and Charlotte Railroad, or with both; also, to run a branch from some convenient point south of the Cape Fear River so as to connect with the North Carolina Railroad at or near Raleigh.

Sec. 43. That the construction of said Railroad shall be commenced at Fayetteville, and whenever 15 miles thereof shall be graded, and the road-bed shall be ready to receive the iron and superstructure, the Public Treasurer is authorized and required to endorse the bonds of the company to the amount of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and so *toties quoties*, as often as any further fifteen miles shall be so graded. [The bonds payable in 25 years, with coupons attached, at a rate of interest not exceeding seven per cent.—the State to have a lien on the road for the payment of said bonds.]

Sec. 45 provides that the Justices of the Co. Courts in the counties through which said road may pass, and the authorities of the incorporated towns, (with the consent of a majority of the voters in said counties and towns), may subscribe to the stock of said company—the former not exceeding \$150,000, and the latter not exceeding \$100,000—and may issue bonds to enable them to pay such subscription.

Exemption from Military Duty.

It was seen last week, by the proceedings of the Legislature, that M. J. McDuffie, Esq., one of the representatives from this county, introduced into the House of Commons a resolution exempting all soldiers who went to Mexico from military duty. We think this an excellent move. It is right and proper that those who nobly volunteered in defence of their country should be excused from performing further military service. We would like to have the privilege of offering an amendment to Mr. McDuffie's resolution to this effect: That all persons engaged in the printing business, either as editor, publisher, compositor, or pressman, shall be exempt from Militia duty, except in case of war. The printer very seldom has any time to spare, and ordinarily he is obliged to stick closer to his business than any other tradesman; but whenever called out to attend militia drills it generally causes him to perform night work in order to publish his paper at the regular time. We will thank, if nobody else does, the legislator who succeeds in benefiting the craft to the extent indicated.

Congress.

Mr Badger has introduced into the Senate the bill noticed in our last report, for increasing the pay of members of Congress and Supreme Court Judges 50 per cent., and gave his reasons for so doing, the increased cost of living in Washington, &c. In the House a bill has been introduced to graduate the pay of members and abolish the franking privilege. Mr. Maec, of Indiana, has given notice of his intention to introduce a bill to re-enact the Missouri compromise, but there is not much danger of its passage. The fact that Kansas territory has elected a man who approves the Nebraska bill causes the abolition members of Congress a good deal of uneasiness.

The Senate on the 18th, was occupied in discussing the bill proposing the appointment of an Assistant District Attorney of the United States.

In the House, while the Military Academy bill was under consideration, Mr Barney denounced the Know-Nothings, and was replied to by Mr Banks, defending the rights of secret associations. A bill to build six sloops-of-war was also introduced. Mr Clingman proposed to introduce his joint resolution offering the mediation of the United States to the European powers, which was objected to.

On the 19th, the President transmitted to the Senate the correspondence of Mr Marsh, our Minister at Constantinople, to Mr Marcy.

In the House, Mr Phelps, from the Committee of Ways and Means reported a bill for naval appropriations; and Mr Houston a bill for fortifications.

LATER FROM MEXICO.—By an arrival from Vera Cruz we have later advices from the city of Mexico. As was expected, Santa Anna has been re-elected almost without opposition. Another battle has been fought between the insurgents and the government troops, in which the former were defeated with a loss of several hundred men.

The Steamer Northern Light, from California, arrived at New York on the 15th, with \$800,000 in specie on freight.

At San Francisco the Russian flag and the Russian consul were saluted by the American ship Zenobia, by firing 28 guns, in honor of the affairs at Petro polaski and Sebastopol.

Gov. Reid and his late Message.

Our whig cotemporaries are down upon Gov. Reid's recent message of course. In their estimation it is obscure, feeble, non-committal, weak, wishy washy, &c. &c. It is natural for the Philistines to hate David, and for the whig party to wriggle and wriggle and make ugly faces at a man who has overthrown them completely, and goes triumphantly in the most august body in the world, as the first reward for great political services. If Governor Reid is the weak and worthless creature which they declare him to be, how is it he has accomplished such results? Can a mouse overturn a mountain? Can a fishing smack capture Gibraltar? Is it not a law of the moral as well as the physical world that the means used must be adequate to the purpose in view? Judge David S. Reid by the results he has accomplished, and what is he? Evidently a man of great force of character. He has greatly assisted in changing North Carolina from a strongly whig, to a strongly democratic State. He has originated and put into a course promising ultimate success, a great measure of Constitutional reform, and he now goes to the U. S. Senate by the voice of a party which numbers among its leaders such names as Sec'y Dobbin, Chief Justice Ruffin, Ex-Secretary Branch, Edwards, Eaton, Ellis, Person, Winslow, and a host of others who are an honor to North Carolina.

We have frequently had complaints from our subscribers at Lumber Bridge, that the packet of Carolinians for that Post Office often fails to arrive. We know they are mailed regularly here, and cannot account for the miscarriage, unless the Postmaster at Rockfish allows them to pass on to Lumberton, which we understand has been the case. Will the Postmaster at Rockfish please attend to this matter, and take the Lumber Bridge packet from the Lumberton mail on Sunday and send it forward to its proper destination on Monday morning.

Finance of North Carolina.

The State Treasurer of North Carolina has just made his report for the last two fiscal years, showing the receipts to have been \$3,017,753 07, and the disbursements \$3,169,884 38. The receipts for the next two years are estimated at \$746,236, and the expenditures at \$620,653. The State debt is set down now at \$2,928,663 50. This will be increased soon to \$3,409,633 50, by the sale of \$111,000 bonds, to be sold under the act for the benefit of the Weldon and Gaston Railroad and the Neuse and Tar rivers, and of \$370,000 bonds for the North Carolina Railroad. After 1856, the present sources of revenue will be insufficient to supply the wants of the treasury, and an increase of taxation will be necessary if the North Carolina Railroad is not completed in time to enable it to earn sufficient profits to make up the deficiency.

MISSING VESSELS.—Since the first of Jan'y last forty-five American vessels, sailing from ports in the United States, have never been heard from. The crews of these vessels are estimated at 431 souls, and there is but little doubt that all have perished. The value of these vessels and their cargoes is supposed to be \$595,700.

Mr Butler has been re-elected to the U. S. Senate by the Legislature of S. Carolina, for six years from the 4th March next.

Look Out.—It is rumored in New York that the Austrian Consul, Mr Loosely, intends prosecuting for libel all newspapers throughout the country that published the report of his having fraudulently obtained \$30,000 worth of goods and then absconded. If he does, we think by the time he gets through he will be minus a few dimes. A profitless undertaking.

FIRE.—We regret to learn that the dwelling house of John C. Blocker, Esq., 12 miles from town on the Warsaw road, was destroyed by fire on Saturday morning last. Mr Blocker's loss is probably \$2,000. He was insured for \$1000 in the N. C. Mutual Company. The fire was accidental.—Observer.

THE HIGH PRICE OF PAPER.—The great advance in the price of paper within the last six months has put the publishers of newspapers to serious reflection how to counteract the evil. It is suggested in the West, among other things, that publishers reduce the size of their papers; demand advance payment in all cases; and cut off "dead-heads." The effect of this would be to reduce the consumption of white paper and enable the printer to live. It is now stated that rags cannot be had in sufficient quantity, and the reply to this is that an increase in the price of paper will not supply the deficit. Advance payments would remedy a host of evils attendant on publishers.

THE WESTERN HOG TRADE.—At St. Louis, up to the 9th inst., about 28,000 hogs had been killed, and sales at \$4 25 to \$4 30. At Alton, Ill., prices range from \$3 75 to \$4, and at Milwaukee, Wis., at from \$3 50 to \$4. At Cincinnati, up to the 12th inst., 174,768 head had been slaughtered, against 181,191 for the same time last year.—In all directions the hog market seems to be inactive, as farmers and drovers are generally unwilling to take the prices offered, while packers are not disposed to allow an advance.

THE BANK OF THE STATE.—One of the best measures adopted by the Legislature of South Carolina at this session, is the conferring upon the President of the Bank a veto on the decisions of the Board of Directors. It undoubtedly imposes a heavy responsibility upon that officer; but he is almost the only one of the Board who is generally well known to the Legislature, and it is not too much therefore to look to him as the head and front of its administration.—Char. Courier.

THE MAILS.—Arrangements have been made by the Post Office Department to carry in stages, the great Southern Mail from the terminus of the Wilmington and Mauchester Road, via Columbia, to Augusta; a mail from Charleston to Mauchester, or Kingsville, daily, in a two-horse wagon; a mail from Charleston to Orangeburg, supplying the intermediate offices, in a one-horse sulky, three times a week; and a mail from Charleston to Savannah, in steamboat, three times a week. These arrangements are to commence on the first of January, and to continue until the 30th June.

Postscript. BY THIS MORNING'S MAIL.

GREAT FIRE IN NEW YORK!!! New York, Dec. 20.—One of the most extensive and destructive fires that has occurred here for many years, took place this morning. The whole of Broadway, between Grand and Howard streets, consisting of one entire block was entirely consumed. Christie's Minstrel Hall, the City Assembly Rooms, many splendid stores and several large factories have fallen a prey to the devouring element. A hall was progressing in the Assembly Rooms, when the fire broke out. One man is known to be lost, and several ladies are missing.

Five firemen have been killed, and fourteen seriously injured by the falling of walls.—The loss is immense, and variously stated.—Partial insurance.

Bank Excitement in Washington.

Washington, Dec. 19.—There is much excitement in monied circles to-day, growing out of the recent statement made by the trustees of the Exchange Bank of Selden, Withers & Co. The statement shows that the individual members of the firm are the largest debtors.

The notes of the bank were selling yesterday at a discount of ten per cent. Today they are bought by the brokers at a discount of 40 per cent.

Naturalization Laws—Important Decision.

Poughkeepsie, Dec. 16.—Judge Dean, of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, has decided the clerk of the court to take proofs of citizenship and grant naturalization papers. He directs that applicants shall apply to the courts; and to-day, after hearing proofs in several cases, the applicants were rejected.

He has also given a written opinion, holding that the admission of an alien to the rights of citizenship is a judicial act, requiring examination by the Court.

WONDERFUL TREE.—The New York Evening Post narrates a singular circumstance. A cashier of a bank, not a hundred miles from Wallstreet, found his funds \$200,000 short, at a time when his accounts were about to be examined. He consulted an attorney friend, who discovered that he had no property available to convert to cash to cover the deficit, and advised him to take \$200,000 more, then, when the discovery took place, he would have something to negotiate with the directors, and induce them to refrain from a public expose. The cashier took the advice—and the money. The discovery occurred; he compromised with them for \$100,000, and neither the stockholders nor the public knew anything of the matter. Resigning his situation, he lived, respected by all, on his fortune, the other \$300,000, and died during the current year.

THE JENNINGS'S ESTATE.—The Richmond Whig publishes the following extracts from a letter received from an intelligent Virginian in England, dated Oct. 24, 1854:

"I cannot find the Will of Old Jennings; for the reason that Lord Beauchamp has lost it where he could not find it now. He administered the estate as next of kin. Earl Howe taking possession of Acton Place as next heir, so that they cannot be reached except a will be found later than that now on record which would show special devises and bequests to your ancestors, or some other claimant.

"If the will was found, and if lapse of time did not operate as an effectual bar to recovery, what next? (1.) It would take a mint of money to litigate the case, to oust Lord Howe, and the Beauchamps have squandered away the money. (2.) A deeper fraud was never practised or planned than this claim. It has ruined many claimants, and will ruin many more.—I would not touch it, for I was cautioned about it on my arrival, by friends, and I took their advice.—Thousands of indigent knaves, who practice law in London, would starve but for the harvest they reap from the investigation of such claims; and they stimulate injury and excite false hopes by newspaper publications and letters.—I *lucris causa*—with the full knowledge that never a dollar could by possibility be recovered. 'Tis a thing almost unknown to recover claims of this character."

By the arrival of the Steamer Pacific at New York on the 13th inst, we have Liverpool dates to the 2d inst, the day of her sailing.

Progress of the War.—No additional intelligence of any interest has been received from Sebastopol. It was reported that the Russians had captured two English vessels cruising in the Baltic.

Advices from Constantinople of 20th ult., state that a great storm occurred in the Black Sea on the 14th ult., and that thirty-two English transports had been lost. The Prince and the Sea Nymph foundered with all on board. Three mail steamers were stranded. The Sanspareil ran aground, having caught fire, and afterwards got afloat. The Retribution was only saved by throwing the guns overboard.

Fayetteville and Southern Plank Road.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Fayetteville and Southern Plank Road Company will be held at the Town Hall, in this place, on Thursday the 4th of January, 1855, at 12 o'clock M. Applications will be received for Toll-keys by the board for both Toll Houses.

WM. McL. McKAY, Sec'y.

Fayetteville, Dec. 22, 1854.

Argus and Observer copy meeting.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the present General Assembly to charter a Bank to be located either in Fayetteville, Wilmington or some other eligible and suitable place, to be called "The Bank of Sand," &c. The "Wild Cat Bank;" to be a Bank of account and deposit. It will be organized as follows: After the stock has been taken, each subscriber shall assign over to the Comptroller of Public Accounts, certificates of stock to the amount of his subscription, in any one or more of the following companies: The Western Railroad Company, the Cape Fear and Deep River Navigation Company, the Tar River Navigation Company, the Carolina City Land Company. These certificates of stock are to remain in the Office of the Comptroller as security for the ultimate redemption of all bills put in circulation by the Bank. In addition to this, each subscriber of stock will be required to pay the entire amount of his subscription into the hands of the Public Treasurer in specie except ninety-nine and three quarters per cent. The Public Treasurer will upon the organization of the Bank proceed forthwith to sign and transfer to the President and Directors of the bank bills to the amount of its Capital stock, and such signing shall be deemed and declared an assumption of the part of the State to pay six and a quarter per cent, on the amount called for on the face of the bill, in case the Bank should become insolvent. A provision will also be inserted in the charter allowing the State to redeem the notes in gold dollars in bills for every quarter of a dollar in specie deposited with the Public Treasurer. It is evident that this plan proposed would go far to make money plentiful, which all will admit to be the great desideratum at this time. This will be fully accomplished by allowing the issue of one hundred dollars in bills for every quarter of a dollar in specie deposited with the Public Treasurer. It is evident that these bills would readily circulate at their par value, since the security for final redemption would be ample.

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MARRIED.

In this town, on Wednesday evening the 20th inst., by Rev. Wm. Bell, Mr. Francis N. Hall of Petersburg, Va. to Miss Sarah L., daughter of the late Wm. Wildfield, Esq.

In Cumberland County, on the 14th inst., by Rev. George Benton, Mr. Wm. Alderman to Miss Anne P. Jackson.

In Newbern, on the 12th inst, Mr. Neill B. Shaw to Miss Isabella Toomer, both of Wilmington and formerly of Fayetteville.

In Sampson county, Ala., on the 29th Nov., at the residence of her father, Major Edward Herndon, by the Rev. Mr. Stillman, Mr. Thomas R. Underwood of Fayetteville, N. C. to Miss Emma J. Herndon.

In Sampson county, on 22d ult, Mr. Wm. S. Matting to Miss Susan Y. James.

In Anson county, on the 10th inst, Mr. Sherwood C. Liles to Miss Maria A. E. Bailey.

In Johnston county, on the 10th inst, Mr. Major Dixon to Miss Martha Ann Yonah.

In Pittsboro, Dr. R. R. Ibrin of Chowan county, to Miss Mary Ann Haughton.

In Montgomery county, on the 12th, Dr. A W Palmer of Chatham, to Miss Eliza J. Chambers.

In Randolph county, on the 12th, Mr. M D Smith to Miss Sarah E. Hendricks.

In Davidson county, Mr. Jas H Taylor to Miss Emma R. Taylor.

In Moore county, on the 14th inst, of typhoid fever, aged 34 years, he has left a large circle of connections to mourn his loss. On him his aged mother reclined in her latter days, but he has gone to that country from whose horrid no traveler returns. As a neighbor none were more willing to extend a helping hand and aid all those to whom assistance could be rendered. In his death the community in which he lived has sustained a loss that will not be filled soon. Weep not, none were more willing to extend a helping hand and aid all those to whom assistance could be rendered. In his death the community in which he lived has sustained a loss that will not be filled soon.

In Robeson county, near Lumber Bridge, on the 8th inst, Mrs. Rebecca Cobb, wife of Gray Cobb, dec'd, aged 82 years and 2 months.

At Red Springs, Robeson county, on the 7th inst, of bilious colic, after an illness of 55 hours, Malcom C. McNeill.

In Clatham county, on the 10th inst, in the 51st year of her age, Mrs. Elizabeth Watson, widow of the late James Watson, dec'd, she left six children and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their irreparable loss.

In Smithfield, on the 9th, suddenly, Dr. William T. M. Outlaw, aged 37 years.

PHOENIX LODGE No. 8.

ANNIVERSARY OF ST. JOHN. A PUBLIC ADDRESS will be delivered before Phoenix Lodge, No. 8, York Masons, by Rev. Bro. Jas. McDaniel on Wednesday, the 27th inst. The citizens are respectfully invited to attend.

The members of Phoenix Lodge and all brothers in good standing will meet at Masonic Hall, at half past 9 o'clock. By order W. M. J. B. FERGUSON, Sec'y.

Dec. 23, 1854.

CLARENCE BRIDGE.

I am now ready to receive from all persons who own any rate or tax for crossing the Clarence Bridge, the next year's pay; and they are notified that unless payment is made by the 15th day of Jan'y next, they will be excluded.

No person who has not paid the last year's Toll, and all other dues to the Company, will be allowed a yearly contract after the 15th of January next.

New applications will be received until the first day of January next.

JNO. M. ROSE, Sec'y F. & N. P. R. Co.

December 23, 1854.

NOTICE.

There will be a grand parade of the C. C. H. S. Co. on Monday the 25th inst. By order of the Capt. I. S. O. L., O. S.

REMOVAL.

W. H. CARVER would inform his friends and the public, that he has removed from his old stand, Green street to the Store formerly occupied by Mr. P. Montague, on Hay street, near the Market Square.

He has on hand a well selected Stock of Dry Goods, Groceries, Shoes and Boots, Negro Blankets, Kerosene, also Blacksmith's Tools, Corn Shellers and Straw Cutters, Sausage Cutters, and a great variety of other articles well suited to the Retail and Barter Trade—much the largest stock he has ever offered in this market—which he will sell on reasonable terms, or exchange for Produce of almost any kind. A call from old friends and the public is respectfully solicited.

W. H. CARVER, Hay St.

Dec. 23, 1854.

BARGAINS! BARGAINS! BARGAINS!

The undersigned will sell, on accommodating terms, all their TURPENTINE LANDS AND FIXTURES, situated near the Centre Plank Road and convenient to Little River. The above Lands comprise a body of 5,000 acres—one hundred and fifty thousand first year's boxes being cut thereon—and some of the finest Timber Land in the country. They will sell with the largest SWIFTNESS, SPIRIT, and best quality. Also, Stables and all other conveniences necessary for carrying on the business. A bargain can be had by applying soon. For further information address John B. DeGraffenreid, Pittsboro.

PALMER & DEGRAFFENREID, Dec. 19, 1854.

COMMON SCHOOLS.

The Board of Superintendents of the Common Schools of the County are requested to meet at the office of the Chairman, on Thursday, the 4th day of Jan'y, 1855, (that being the 1st Thursday) at 12 o'clock.

EDWARD H. WINNLOW, Chm.

Returns of the number of children in the several districts, for the year 1854, must be handed to the Chairman before or by the 4th Jan.

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NOTICE.

On the 27th of November last a negro who calls himself JACOB was taken up and committed to the Robeson Jail. Said negro is about twenty years old, and thick set; he says that he belongs to Dr. J. J. Kinlaw, of Hades county. The owner will please come forward, pay all charges, and take his property.

R. KING, Sheriff.

Lumberton, N. C., Dec. 11, 1854.

COMMERCIAL RECORD.

ARRIVED AT FAYETTEVILLE. Dec. 14.—Mrs Fanny and Brooklyn (Luttrell & Co's Line.) with Passengers, and Goods for B Rose, D & W McLaurin, C E Loebe, Steadman & Horne, J G Cook, P J Johnson, H H Beard, G S Evans, L Benson, H McDaniel, J D Bate, J & T Waddell, H H Hull, Beaver Creek Co, Ray & Pearce, Mrs S A Hart, T J Johnson, G W Lawrence, L J Haughton, C T Haigh & Sons, W H Luttrell, Troy & Marsh.

Str Sun, with D McLaurin in tow. (Orrell's Line.) with goods for W N Tillghast, T J Patrick, J M W & Co, G McNeill, W L J. Ramsey & Bro, S T Hawley & Son, Miss Mary Holmes, M Brown, H C Roberson, J W Dick, Pearce & Ferguson.

Str Fanny, with Myröer in tow, with passengers, and goods for J W Baker, J W Powers & Co, Steadman & Horne, C W McWaters & Marsh, Council, Goin & Co, W & Russell, Overbaugh, T S Luttrell, D & W McLaurin, St Hawley & Son, J Kyle, T J Johnson, B Rose, H W Black, G McNeill, C A Brown, R W Kinlaw & Co, Fowkes & McFar, W F Looker, H H Bate, B A Howell & Co, N Shaw, Miss A Cone, L Benedict.

Dec 21, Str Flora McDonald with goods for Gard, Rev & Co, J M Waddell, G S Johnson & W D Vestal, Wash & Co, W & Russell, Council, J S Johnson, Johnson & Kelly, Rankin & McLean, Murchison, Reid & Co, W & Russell, Porter & Worth, S Johnson, S Perry, H Eraser, J H Lindsey, Worth & Uley, E J Hunt, T J Patrick, Prather & Smith, S J Hinson, Mitchell, Elkin Mantr, Co, P G Evans, A McNeill, H C McLean, Roberts & Co, Barnhardt & Co, Mrs Ketham, Jenkins, Roberts & Co, G W Johnson, M Hooper, H C McLean, Russell & Co, W D Williams, C Banks, Rev A Gilechrist, S T Hawley, J D Williams, J Cowles, W N Tillghast, A Lomax, G W Lee, C G Yates, J N Smith, Rockfish Co. C N McAdoo, D Murphy.

PORT OF WILMINGTON.

Arrived, Dec. 17, Schr A. J. DeRossett from New York, and Schr D. S. Merson from Charleston.—Brig Albert Adams from Boston. 21st. Schrs, M. E. Wells and Emily from New York.

DOBBIN HOUSE.

Will be open for the accommodation of guests, on Monday, the first day of January, 1855.

Situated on one of the principal Streets of the Town, and within a few minutes walk of the Post Office, Telegraph Office, Banks, and other business places, and yet sufficiently retired to be clear of the annoyance and bustle incident to a more central location. It is newly erected, handsomely furnished, and careful attendants secured with especial view to the comfort of patrons. Spacious stables attached, and experienced Ostlers in attendance. Carriages will be in waiting on arrival of Steam Boats, for the accommodation of passengers. A share of public patronage respectfully solicited.

Dec. 23, 1854. 25-3m