NORTH-CAROLINIAN.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C,

Saturday, July 21, 1855.

FOR CONGRESS,
HON. WARREN WINSLOW,
OF CUMBERLAND.

Election on Thursday the 2d of August.

TICKETS! TICKETS!!

Winslow tickets can be procured at this Office, *gratis* Send in your orders, friends.

MELANCHOLY OCCURRENCE.—We learn that the wife of W. L. McDiarmid, Esq., living in the south-western portion of this county, was drowned last week. It appears (so far as we can gather the particulars) that she got up from her bed some time during the night, and walked to the Mill, a short distance from the dwelling, and after getting on the "slip," used for the purpose of drawing in logs, she walked directly into the pond and was drowned. She had been in bad health for some time past, and whether she was asleep when she took the fatal walk, or was laboring under aberration of mind, is not known. A large and respectable circle of relatives and friends mourn the sad occurrence.

DEMOCRATIC MEETING.—The democratic party held another meeting on Thursday evening. The night being very warm, the audience was not as large as on former occasions, but was quite respectable in size. C. G. Wright and B. Fuller, Esqrs, addressed the meeting in able speeches, full of argument against the secret party, its principles and practices.

Another meeting will be held on next Wednesday evening.

THE PROSPECT BRIGHTENING.—We have received information from Harnett county, by letter, to the effect that JAMES A. JOHNSON, Esq., Sheriff of Harnett county, has declared himself opposed to the know-nothings out and out. He joined the council in Fayetteville, but has become convinced that the order will not do—that it is not what it was represented to be—and has resolved to have nothing more to do with it, a resolution that every good democrat ought to take immediately before it is too late. We have unquestionable authority for our statement.

Mr Johnson is a man of high standing and no one we think will dare to question his character.

Rally democrats of Harnett, Cumberland, Robeson, Sampson, Duplin, Bladen, New Hanover, and Columbus, and come to the rescue. Show your old political enemies that although they have succeeded at the start in deceiving some, the game cannot be successfully continued. Don't pay any attention to threats, but do your duty and cast your votes for Warren Winslow, the democratic candidate.

BANK OF CLARENDON.—*The meeting of stockholders* to organize the new Bank in this place, will take place on Monday next. The $200,000 in specie is on hand, as the charter requires. Operations will be commenced immediately after the election of officers.

BEWARE OF FALSE REPORTS.—A gentleman in Robeson county, writing to Mr Winslow, states that it is reported in that county that Bishop Hughes has sent him (Mr Winslow) a large sum of money to be used in the present contest against the know-nothing party. It is almost needless for us to say that the report is without the least foundation in truth; but as some may be deceived, it is thought necessary to publicly deny it.

We also deny the report, circulated in certain sections of the District, that Mr Winslow is a Roman Catholic. He is no Roman Catholic, nor does he admire that church; but he is opposed to placing under the ban of the law any portion of his fellow citizens simply because they happen to entertain a certain religious belief.

NEW TRIAL.—Johnson, who was convicted at the last term of Cumberland Superior Court of the murder of Stewart, has been granted a new trial.

☞ We learn by letter from Richmond county that J. W. Cameron, editor of the Argus, made a know-nothing speech at Rockingham the first of the week. Do democrats want any better evidence of the whig tendency of the concern than the fact that the old enemies of the democratic party are taking the field for David Reid, the know-nothing candidate. Mr Reid a "good democrat" [illegible] leaders and wire-pullers! No. Nothing in it. Don't be deceived democrats—follow the example of those noble spirits who have renounced know-nothingism, and assert your rights to vote for whom you please by withdrawing from the councils.

W. F. LEAK, ESQ.—We understand it is reported that Walter F. Leak, Esq., of Richmond county, favors the know-nothing party. We are authorized to say that this is not the case. Mr Leak will give his support to Mr Winslow.

KERR AND READE.—The Hon. John Kerr is out in another letter in reply to that of his opponent, E. G. Reade, Esq. As we did not publish Mr Reade's letter we cannot insert Mr Kerr's reply. Many of the statements of Mr Reade are flatly contradicted.

☞ We understand some of our know-nothing friends profess to see great cause to question the whiggery of the Hon. John Kerr, in the fact that tickets bearing his name were printed at this office. Lest some of them might consider it an unpardonable sin in Mr Kerr to have tickets printed at a democratic printing office, we will state that the tickets were not printed at his instance, but they were ordered by a gentleman living in Randolph county, who has always been a whig. These words were put upon the tickets: "True American Ticket, for Congress, John Kerr."

☞ The puerile attempt of the Argus to ridicule R. W. Goldston, Esq., of Moore county, and impugn his motives, because he chose to withdraw from the secret party, will have no effect where that gentleman is known. Prominent democrats, through misrepresentation, are induced to join the know-nothing order, and after joining it their names are used to influence others to join. Now, when such persons find they have been deceived, it is right and proper they should publicly proclaim their withdrawal. We understand that one of the arguments used by the know-nothings to get men to join is, that if they don't like it they can quit at any time. If this be the case, why does the know-nothing organ in this town abuse and try to belittle Mr Goldston for pursuing the course he did? Probably the Argus hopes to deter others from severing their connection with this anti-republican concern. If this is not its object we are at a loss to understand what it means. Mr Goldston is a man of high standing, and the insinuations of the Argus cannot injure him in the least.

RELIGIOUS TESTS.—On our first page we copy a sensible article on the religious test portion of the know-nothing platform. The writer takes the position which we have always occupied, viz: that there is no better way to help the Roman Catholic church and injure the Protestant, than by excluding the members of the former from office merely on account of their religious belief. The Pope of Rome could not have invented a surer scheme to strengthen and increase the Catholic church than the originators of know-nothingism have done. Those who were disposed to renounce the teachings of priests and cardinals, have had their former predilections and prejudices aroused, and been driven back to the papal ranks where they have taken a firmer stand against the proscriptive encroachments of their enemies than they would have done had they been let alone. We believe the Protestant creed is the correct one, and that it will finally overcome all error and opposition, but the evidences are multiplying that know-nothingism is not doing it any good, but on the other hand is retarding it and creating a feeling against it in the minds of the individual members of the Catholic church that will require many years to overcome.

"What do the whigs say to running a nag also? We know that they have been kept under in the Cape Fear region until their spirits have lost somewhat of their elasticity—but what of that? Are their principles unworthy of a farther struggle? We think not. We know not: and if they are all made out of the same sort of stuff that we are, the democratic nag will not walk over the course without having his blanket taken off."—*N. C. Argus, April 7th.*

We copy the above for the purpose of inquiring of our very witty neighbor what on earth induced him to take such a sudden leap-frog jump from the "great whig party" over to know-nothingism. No longer ago than the 7th of April A. D. 1855, do we find the editor of the Argus professing to be a whig [although it is said he was then a member of the secret party] and talking about running a whig candidate for Congress in this District. He then thought whig principles worthy of a further struggle, but by some means he has found out that he was mistaken, and that all the patriotism, purity and love of country is in a know-nothing council, where there is not sufficient confidence reposed in each other without the aid of a binding and solemn oath. What do our whig friends think of their old apostle, who, after calling on them to rally to the rescue, is the very one who deserts and goes over to one of the isms of the day and voluntarily sounds the death-knell of the whig party. If the whigs in this District had all been "made out of the same sort of stuff" that the editor of the Argus is, they would have all gone heels and head into know-nothingism. But to their honor be it said, a few (very few) have resisted temptation and are now standing by their former colors.

The Argus calls the talented Fuller "a neophyte in the mysteries of democracy," but we submit if it is not better to be a learner of wisdom than to be a *proselyte* to know-nothingism. "The last state of *that* man is worse the first."

BADLY SCARED.—The anti-American party in this District are evidently much frightened by the signs of the times. Not only is Mr Winslow stumping it with unparalleled industry, but we understand that he has some half-a-dozen or more deputies harranguing for him wherever they can collect a squad of listeners.—If Mr Reid be elected, (and our information leads us to believe that his chances are remarkably good) he will indeed achieve a victory; for we do not remember to have witnessed such efforts to defeat any candidate for Congress before.—*Argus.*

The democrats are not so badly scared as you seem to think. But is nobody else liable to the charge of being [illegible] or of the Argus, who, a few weeks ago professed to be a firm whig, leave his editorial chair for the purpose of making know-nothing speeches? Is he not one of Mr Reid's "deputies"—is he not corporal of a squad of some "half-a-dozen or more" of the vigilant committee? Never, in our life time, have we seen men work so hard and with so much zeal as the members of the secret party in this section are now working, headed by our neighbor of the Argus. No wonder he complains of being unwell so much, when he has nearly exhausted himself in the vain effort to bolster up his particular friend, David Reid. If he would let Mr Reid do his own wire-pulling we think his health would improve, and he would not feel such a great amount of anxiety and fear as to the result. Suppose you try it.

☞ The Raleigh Register says that as the enquiry has been frequently made, what effect the rejection by the Stockholders of the Bank of the State of North Carolina of the charter passed by the last Legislature would have on the future operations of that Bank, we are authorised to state that there will be, for the present, no change in their course of business, but that they will continue to discount on the same terms, and in the same manner, as heretofore, as their means will enable them to do; and that all their other operations will be carried on as usual.

"RELIGIOUS PERSECUTION."—The last Argus has a long article on this subject, and argues to show that the know-nothing party does not persecute the Catholic for his religious belief—that it is willing he should worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience—but if he wants an office it is quite a different thing. It is true, the proscriptive party does not profess to want to prevent a man from attending any church he pleases or hinder him from adopting any religious creed, but if he dares to join the Catholic church he thereby renders himself unworthy and unfit to hold an office—he is not to be trusted because he belongs to a particular church. This is know-nothing doctrine, as acknowledged by the organ of the party in this town.

Now we say that denying a man the privilege of holding office because he happens to be a member of a particular church is as great persecution as can be resorted to by any people in an enlightened age. Hear what Mr Rayner, the present leader of the secret party in this State, said on this subject in his speech in the Convention of 1835 in favor of repealing the 32d Article of the old Constitution. We quote from the Debates of the Convention—pages 262–'63:

"But it is said, if the Catholic is excluded from office, that will not deprive him of the right of worshipping God according to the dictates of his own conscience. Sir, the right of worshipping God, free from all personal pains and penalties, is a right which can *now* be enjoyed in any country in Christendom. An exclusion from the honors, the profits and the emoluments of the State, is the highest persecution which public opinion will tolerate in any Christian country in this enlightened age. So that, if you sanction the principle recognized in the 32d Article, you use the rod of persecution with as unsparing a hand as it is used in Spain, or the States of the Church. And if you exclude one sect, why not another and another, and finally all, except one? It was a favorite saying of Napoleon, that there was but one step from the sublime to the ridiculous; and on the same principle, there is but one step from religious freedom to the most bitter and intolerant persecution."

Mr Rayner then thought that an *exclusion* from the honors, the profits and emoluments of the State, was the *highest persecution which public opinion would tolerate in any Christian country in that enlightened age.* Is the present age less enlightened, or is our neighbor of the Argus better authority than Mr Rayner on this point? They are both working in the same cause, but it is very evident that they differ in opinion. Which is right? We are bound to believe Mr Rayner right this time.

But let us again call the attention of our know-nothing friends to the opinions of their new idol, Kenneth Rayner. Speaking of the principle of excluding men from office for opinion's sake, he said:

"Sir, the exclusion from office for opinion's sake, in this enlightened age, proceeds from the same spirit of bigotry and superstition which has preyed upon mankind, from the building of Babel to the present time; it is the same spirit which presented the cup to Socrates, which confined Galileo in his dungeon, which bound Cranmer to the stake of martyrdom, which drove the Huguenots from France—nay more, sir, it is the same spirit which led the Saviour of the world to Calvary's awful summit. Sir, what must be the situation of the emigrant who comes to this country for the sake of religious freedom, if the appearance of the good old North State should induce him to make it his home? Will he not wish himself across the wide waters again, that "after life's fitful fever is o'er" he may lay his bones with those of his fathers? What must be the feelings of the pious mother, when looking on her tender infant, whom she believes her duty to her God enjoins her to train up in the same way which has secured peace to her own bosom—what must be her agonized feelings when she reflects that by so doing, she is consigning him to obscurity forever? Sir, I would ask this Convention, whether this proscription is in accordance with the holy precepts and requirements of the Gospel? Does it accord with that meekness and forbearance which characterized the Saviour in his sojourn among men? Does it accord with that benevolence for the human family, that charity for others, without which the Apostle says, a practical exercise of all Christian duties, coupled with a faith strong enough to remove mountains, is as "sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal?"

Does not our acute neighbor see that he and his know-nothing brethren are liable to the charge of acting "from the same spirit of bigotry and superstition which has preyed upon mankind from the building of Babel to the present time"?

☞ The Know-Nothing State Convention of Louisiana have nominated as their candidate for Governor, Charles Derbigny, of Jefferson, a Roman Catholic. While the know-nothings in this section are professing a great deal of fear about Catholics holding office, their brethren in Louisiana are endeavoring to promote them. Jump about and turn about as you please, but the whole affair is obliged to die out from internal inconsistency, if nothing else. Internal mortification has already taken place.

☞ We don't know by what authority the Argus questions our statements concerning the speaking at Lumber Bridge on the 4th. Did it get its information from the gentleman who went out there for the purpose of taking notes, but who went to sleep before the speaking commenced and did not awake until after it was all over? Perhaps so.

RAYNER.—[illegible] of their leader Kenneth Rayner who denounced the President of the United States as a "*wretch who had sunk so low as to be beneath contempt,*" and who speaks of the Cabinet officers as "*seven whipt slaves or curs*"? Do they consider the man who presides over the affairs of this nation elevated to that honorable position by an overwhelming majority of the free people of the Republic, as being "beneath contempt?"—do they consider Jas. C. Dobbin, one of the Cabinet, a *slave* or a *cur*? No. We don't believe they are willing to endorse such low-flung remarks as these. Whatever may be the faults of the secret party in this section it will hardly approve of Rayner's language,

☞ We learn that Mr Reid did not meet his appointments in Richmond county, in consequence of sickness. At Rockingham, W. A. Steele, Esq., a leading whig, merely announced Mr Reid and endorsed his principles. Some people seem to think that Mr Reid found it quite convenient to get sick when about to have an audience to speak to composed almost entirely of whigs. He might have damaged himself had he got up and told them what a great *democrat* he professed to be. Ah, Davy, you are a cunning fellow, and seem to understand these things.

☞ A late arrival from Cuba represents the yellow fever as playing sad havoc on the island.

☞ MR PATRIC MCGOWAN, Mail Agent on the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad, is a foreigner by birth and a Roman Catholic, but who do you suppose recommended him for the office? The know-nothing candidate in the Wake District, Jas. B. Shepard, Esq., (who is now crying out against the appointment of foreigners to office) is the very man who wrote a letter to the present Postmaster General asking that the appointment might be conferred on Mr McGowan. Why is it that men will be so inconsistent? On the 1st March, 1853, we find Mr Shepard, together with such names as Jno. A. Gilmer, N. W. Woodfin, Wm. L. Washington, and W. D. Haywood, recommending a foreigner for an office in the place of a native, Mr H. H. Potter, who then held the position; but now every one of them, we believe, are desperately exercised at the idea of a foreign born citizen holding an office, no matter how capable. Again we are constrained to exclaim "Consistency, thou art a jewel!"

☞ For some time we have noticed an article going the rounds of the know-nothing papers in this State to the effect that an emissary of the Pope in Spain told the American Minister before Gen Pierce's cabinet was formed, that Mr Campbell, a Catholic, would be a member of it. This, the opponents of the Administration contend, is proof that there was a previous understanding between the President and the Catholics. Although we did not believe the statement, we have not denied it, not knowing anything about the matter. But it will be seen by the following article from the Washington Union that the whole story is pronounced a fabrication and without truth:

A BOLD FALSEHOOD.—The following extract, from a know-nothing speech delivered in Washington on the 4th of July, is a distinct version of a current calumny in the mouths of the secret party:

"The Pope's nuncio to Spain, before the cabinet of the President was known to the public here, *declared, in Madrid, that the present Postmaster General, a Catholic, would be a member of the cabinet of Gen. Pierce!* There is further and abundant proof to confirm the opinion that this appointment was secured to the Roman hierarchy *before the vote was cast for the present incumbent!*"

In reply to which, the Baltimore Republican says:

"We unhesitatingly pronounce this bold assertion to be a barefaced falsehood, and defy its author to bring forward the least particle of proof to sustain him in his charge."

The Republican is right in denouncing this allegation (which we believe is a favorite know-nothing slander) as a stupid, senseless falsehood. Every man in the country not a member of a know-nothing lodge, and thus not a fool or knave, knows that in the nature of things there never was, and never could be, a particle of foundation in truth for so absurd a statement. We know, of our own knowledge, and from sources which put the question beyond the possibility of controversy, that the above allegation must be *false in form, false in substance, false in general, and false in detail.*"

"We believe that the American party are nursing and spreading abroad principles that are destined to save the Union; if they do not, may He in whose hands are the destinies of nations preserve us!—else we know not what shall befall us."—*Argus.*

Will the Argus be kind enough to tell us how the mis-named "American party" is to save the Union. Is it to be done on the plan proposed by Mr Rayner in the know-nothing national convention, viz: by ignoring the question of negro slavery? Is it to be accomplished by remaining silent as to the rights of the South, until after the secret party gets control of the Government, and then allow the northern branch to clamor for the restoration of the Missouri Compromise, the repeal of the Fugitive Slave Law and the abolishment of Slavery in the District of Columbia? Are these questions, so vital and important to the Southern States, to be lost sight of until the party gains the ascendancy, and then let the strongest section (which is certainly the northern) regulate the matter? We acknowledge that the 12th resolution of the know-nothing platform takes tolerable strong ground on the subject, but then it should be remembered that the northern branch of the order utterly refuse to abide by that portion of the platform. Nearly every Northern State in the Convention voted against it and have entirely repudiated it. Now if the North had joined hands with the South on the *whole* platform the Argus might claim something for the Know-nothing party; but how can it do so under present circumstances? That paper knows that the leaders of the order at the North are the open-mouthed revilers of the South and her institutions, and that we cannot expect them to acknowledge our rights. Look at Gardiner, Wilson, Ford and a host of other chief apostles of know-nothingism [illegible] at Berlin they were welcomed and entertained by the Russian minister in the most cordial manner; and when they reached Warsaw Prince Paskiewhich greeted them with splended hospitality. He gave them a grand review of the troops, and ordered an engineer officer to show them the fortifications, &c. They had been offered a choice between an invitation from the Emperor, first, to visit the Russian capital, St. Petersburg, or to be expressed to the Crimea. They accepted the first, and have arrived at St. Petersburgh, and, doubtless, have received before this time such facilities for the prosecution of their object as the Emperor only can give. This country is under great obligations to the Russian government and its officers for their great kindness and consideration to our officers—treatment which stands in such bold relief when contrasted with the cold, cautious, and suspicious conduct of the allies, that we deem it worthy of special notice.

Liquor Law Decision.

DETROIT, July 14.—The case of Gallager, charged with a violation of the liquor law, has been decided by a verdict of not guilty, the jury deciding that the sale of imported liquors in any quantity is not unlawful.

THE DIFFERENCE.—The Murfreesboro' (Tennessee) News thus forcibly states the case:

"When a man of foreign birth becomes a citizen of the United States he takes an oath to support the constitution. When one who is an American by birth joins the know-nothings he takes an oath to oppose that constitution. That is the difference between the two."

WHAT WE MAY EXPECT.—Those southern men who think they see in the know-nothing party the germ that is to spread and preserve the Union, can see by the following article from the Cleveland Express, a leading organ of northern know-nothingism, what kind of friendship is entertained for them and their rights by their seceding brethren. What explanation can the Argus give? Here is the article:

"THE DIVISION.—The result of the recent American National Convention is known. The party, unable to agree upon the Slavery question, very properly divided. The Northern delegates withdrew, issued an address to the people, and took steps preparatory to holding a Convention of the order in the Northern States. This is what we desired, and we rejoice that it has been brought about thus early in the existence of the party. Our opponents may flatter themselves that the party is ruined because it is divided—but the delusion is short-lived. Absolved from all connection with the South, relieved from the obloquy of a slavery alliance, free from even the suspicion of pro-slaveryism, it will *unite the anti-slavery element of the North*, and sweep locofocoism from every free State. Instead of being weakened by division, we are to-day stronger than ever. Every free State will be with us. Even New York, which was misrepresented in the Convention, will join the Northern phalanx, and help to consign Pierce & Co. to oblivion. *As for the South, we care but little*—but if we are not mistaken, the Order will defeat the Administration there. That is of little consequence, however, except so far as it may go to show that the Southern people agree with us on the subject of Foreignism."

Are the know-nothings in this District still willing to affiliate with their northern brethren? We shall see.

TOWN SUBSCRIPTION.—The Wilmington Journal of the 19th inst. says that the vote of the people, yesterday, on the subject of authorizing the Commissioners to subscribe $200,000 to the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad, resulted as follows:

For the subscription.	531
Against the subscription.	103
Majority for subscription.	428

☞ The Know Nothing leaders (says the Standard) pretend that any member of the Order who is dissatisfied, may withdraw from it; and that no difficulty will be thrown in the way of withdrawals. Many persons, it is believed, in various portions of the State, are now desirous of withdrawing; but it is also believed that obstructions are interposed, and they are thereby prevented from doing so. The leaders, when they hear of a dissatisfied member, shift the meetings of the Councils, or hold no Councils at all for a time, so that the dissatisfied member may be worked upon and influenced to remain. Again, we should not be surprised if, as the election approaches, they cease to hold regular meetings, so as to avoid applications for withdrawals. In this way they hope to hold on to members who are not informed as to their rights, and compel them under their oaths to vote for their candidates. The *intent*, be it remembered, is every thing in such a case. If any Council deliberately refuses, and without just cause, to allow a member to withdraw, or refuses to give a member an opportunity to make his application for withdrawal, that Council violates its pledge to such member, and he is released and at liberty to vote as he pleases. "A bargain broken on one side is a bargin broken on both sides."

☞ The "Pee Dee Star" has been discontinued and the "Wadesboro' News" started in its place by Messrs Powell & Britton. The "News" is neutral in politics—$2 in advance—and is neatly printed. Success to the proprietors.

☞ The Warrenton News says it is authorized to state that the Hon. A. W. Venable is out and out opposed to the principles of the know-nothing party, and that he will support the democratic candidate for Congress in the 4th district, Mr Branch.

HISTORY OF NORTH CAROLINA.—Hon. D. L. Swain, in pursuance of a Resolution of the last Legislature, has been appointed by Gov. Bragg as Agent to procure documentary evidence of the history of this State. He is to proceed to London, where, we presume he will be permitted to copy documents from the Colonial Office, a list of which was published in Raleigh some twelve years ago. He is authorized, by the same Resolution, to procure a copy of "Tyson's North Carolina Papers," now in file in Harvard College. We believe a correspondence was had with that Institution, some years ago, but with what result we do not now remember. This is an excellent appointment. A correct history of his native State, has been almost a passion with Mr Swain for many years, and his qualifications for the task allotted him are of the first order.

AMERICAN OFFICERS IN THE CRIMEA.—A private letter from a friend by the last steamer assures us that the three officers (Major Delafield, Captain Mordecai, and Captain McClellan) had been received with distinguished honor by the representatives of the Czar Alexander, so far as they had advanced at last accounts, and that at Berlin they were welcomed and entertained by the Russian minister in the most cordial manner; and when they reached Warsaw Prince Paskiewhich greeted them with splended hospitality. He gave them a grand review of the troops, and ordered an engineer officer to show them the fortifications, &c. They had been offered a choice between an invitation from the Emperor, first, to visit the Russian capital, St. Petersburg, or to be expressed to the Crimea. They accepted the first, and have arrived at St. Petersburgh, and, doubtless, have received before this time such facilities for the prosecution of their object as the Emperor only can give. This country is under great obligations to the Russian government and its officers for their great kindness and consideration to our officers—treatment which stands in such bold relief when contrasted with the cold, cautious, and suspicious conduct of the allies, that we deem it worthy of special notice.

DEATH OF ALEXANDER CAMPBELL.—The Cleveland Leader announces the death of the celebrated Alexander Campbell, of Bethany, Virginia. He was the founder of the sect of Christians known as the "Disciples," now very numerous and powerful; was the president of a theological college at Bethany; the editor of a denominational magazine, and a man of much learning and eloquence. He visited England some few years since, and was mobbed at Edinburgh, Scotland, for some sentiments he publicly advanced there in defence of the system of African slavery as practised in this country. He died in New Orleans on the 27th ult. of disease of the heart.

CRUEL SPORT.—The extraordinary feat of trotting twenty miles in fifty-nine minutes and fifty five seconds was performed yesterday (says the New York Mirror) by the celebrated mare "Lady Fulton," over the Centerville course. The match was for $5,000 that it could not be done within the time. We believe that it has only been accomplished once before, and then not in so short a time by a few minutes. The odds were against the horse at the start, and at the end of the fifth mile $100 to $40 were offered that it would be a failure. At the twelfth mile $100 to $15 were offered. But she did it, with five seconds to spare! It was cruel sport, however, and we hope that it will never again be attempted.

MORTALITY IN THE ATLANTIC CITIES.—The number of deaths in New York last week was 497; in Philadelphia, 223, in Boston, 59; and in Baltimore, 158.

NEW YORK, July 17.—Recorder Smith decided this morning that ales, beers, wines, and spirits that had paid duties could be sold in any quantity to any citizen.

NEW ORLEANS, July 16.—The deaths last week were 187, including 44 from yellow fever.

LARGE DIAMOND.—A new diamond, found by a negress in Brazil and called the "Star of the South," has reached England, and is producing a sensation. It weighs 254½ carats, and will probably lose half its weight in cutting. The Koh-i-noor, now it is finally cut, weighs 122 carats.

It is stated that the official vote of Virginia has been received from all but fifteen counties, and counting the unofficial from these, Wise has a majority of 10,130

DIED.

In this vicinity, on the 18th inst., after a lingering illness, Mrs Anabella Dickson, wife of Mr S. F. Dickson, and daughter of the late Neill Johnson of this place, aged about 32 years. Mrs. Dickson was a devout member of the Baptist Church, and her life was marked by a consistent walk and pious example, affording abundant evidence that the summons of death found her prepared and resigned to the will of Him who doeth all things right. [Salisbury papers copy.

At the residence of Hon. L. Bethune, in this county on the 13th inst., Mrs Arch'd Keahey, in the 40th year of her age. He lived many years in Alabama but recently resided in Cumberland county. The deceased was truly a worthy man, and deserved and enjoyed the confidence and esteem of all who knew him, and he died without an enemy.

Near Springfield, Richmond county, on the 11th inst., Francis Haywood infant son of Samuel J. and Mary Gibson, aged 8 months and 11 days. "The Lord gave and the Lord taketh away, blessed be the name of the Lord."—Com.

In Cherokee county, Ala., on Sunday, 17th June, Mrs Caroline, wife of Wm C. Cook, formerly of Fayetteville, aged 35 years. The deceased was a most kind and affectionate wife, and most excellent mother, and possessed in the highest degree those virtues that make home a paradise. She was truly a Christian. Long may the good and pious instruction she gave to those dear little ones that she has left behind, be treasured in their memory, and may they try to imitate her example and follow her in the way that leads to heaven.

In Robeson county, on the 5th inst., in the 66th year of her age, Miss Margaret Smith, daughter of Patrick Smith, deceased.

In Greensborough, on the 11th inst. Miss Mary Margaret McK. Doub, second daughter of Rev P. Doub.

Near Warsaw, on the 7th inst., Mrs Martha Brill, wife of Jacob Brill, aged 31 years.

DEMOCRATIC RALLY.

The Democrats of Cedar Creek District will hold a meeting at Arthur Melvin's on Tuesday next, the 24th inst. at 3 o'clock, p. m. An able speech is expected by a true democrat. All are invited. No secret signs will be required to gain admittance—we work by day.

R. D. M.

Meeting at Rockfish.

There will be a democratic meeting at David Murphy's Store, near the old toll Bridge, on SATURDAY, 28th inst. Several speeches may be expected.

NOTICE TO BUILDERS.

The undersigned invites proposals for rebuilding his two tenements in the Brick Row, foot of Haymount. Any information will be given by making application to him. Proposals will be received until the first of August.

In the mean time if any person should wish to purchase the lots and bricks thereon, an opportunity will be offered of so doing.

Persons wishing to sell lumber will please apply to the undersigned.

P. MONTAGUE.

July 21. 55-2t
Observer copy 2t

LUMBERTON MALE ACADEMY.

The exercises in this Institution will be resumed on Monday, July 23d.

M. CURRIE, Principal.

July 21, 1855.

FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD.

Runaway from the subscriber in Robeson county, on the 2d instant, his negro boy DUGALD, aged 18 years, ordinary size, about five feet high, weighs 130 or 135 lbs. He is supposed to be lurking in the neighborhood of the late residence of Randal McGeachy, dec'd, where he was purchased. I will give a reward of twenty-five dollars for his delivery to me or his confinement in any Jail in the State so I can get him again, and will give an additional reward of twenty-five dollars for evidence sufficient to convict any white man or free man of color, of harboring, feeding or employing him.

JAMES McNATT.

July 21, 1855. 55-tf

MACKEREL AND HERRING.

75 Barrels Mackerel and Herring (a good article) for sale by PETER P. JOHNSON.

July 21, 1855. 55-3t

TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT.

The undersigned respectfully inform the citizens of Fayetteville that they have opened a shop west of Mr E. W. Willking's store where they will cut and make Coats, Pantaloons, Vests, &c. They entertain the hope and belief that they can please those who may favor them with their patronage. A trial is invited.

Repairing neatly executed at short notice.

MAHLER & HEINZ.

July 21, 1855. 4t.

NOTICE.

Proposals for building a fire proof brick Court house and Jail, for Harnett County, will be received until Thursday, the 9th of August. Plans and all desirable information will be furnished by the Building Committee, at their meeting in Toomer, on the 24th of July, or at the time above mentioned.

G. W. PEGRAM,
A. S. McNEILL,
NEILL McKAY,
A. CAMEROM,
J. T. REARDON,
W. T. RHODES,
C. H. COFIELD,
SILAS DOUGLAS,
Building Committee.

July 21, 1855. 55-3t

WHEAT.

10,000 Bushels Wheat wanted,—highest cash price given.

GEO. McNEILL

☞ Cold Spring Mills being thoroughly repaired, will receive and grind Wheat. G. McN.

June 16, 1855. 3m