GREENSBOROUGH:

FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 1858.

and offer the 1st of June every subscriber finding or the paper will rop.

TAXING LAND AND NEGROES.

roads which had all ruly been constructed. go for a convention .- But how are we to We insisted that this might be done, by so get this convention now! refermines our lanking system, and so remoddling our retrine law, that taxes would be equalized and there would be no necessity of increasing the tex on land and negraes. The Aslaville News has attemp-

III. Georgia - The report of the State truction. treasury on the Luth of October, 1856, of \$355 505 55, and the amount received up to the same date to 1857 from all souroes, 8594,051 75. The balance remaining amount \$259, 157 47 have been expended in payment of the public debt and interest. paid into the frequency from its surplus carnings, \$143,500, of which amount Union. mids on the \$100 - next year it will be reduced to about S. The reduction is made

ry species of property is taxed according the following. to as teal value, a negro worth \$1000, is only taxed deems, and a tract of land werth \$1000, is taxed 0 cents. Whereas er worth for Simily to 11000 is taxed Conflord courts -as follows to-

Landbay For State, Carry and

mention the faither Leet that the first and the last roads chartered in Georgia have banking privileges attached to them These

our Western friends.

should vote for a Secator. With this the West were satisfied or at least they acquiesced, until David Reid made the discovery that the poor white men of the State were greatly oppressed, in being deprived of the right of suffrage. To relieve the poor white man, Free suffrage was brought out ;- Free suffrage was not opposed by the Whigs, as wrong in principle, but as this restriction was incorporated in the constitution, for the protection of land-holders in the West, the Whigs desired it to be removed by a convention, when the protection on slaves might be altered at the same time, and that slaves might be made liable to an ad valorum tax. Such was the policy of the Whigs-this policy the News opposed, resisted a convention, insisperrance of the NED M. H. C. meney must rome, ted that free suffrage was to redeem the State, build railroads, and make the barren hills of the West to bloom and blossom as the rose-and when the Whigs went for a Some weeks ago we published several white basis, the News cried out, abolitionarticles endeavering to show the necessity ism. But how is it now? We hear the News, "a by-word for scoffing and sneers -- a reof extending our system of internal im- erving for a tax on negroes. We are sorry provments, not only for the accommoda- Mr. News that your cry comes too late untion of the West, but for the benefit of the less you and the Western democracy will

INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS

It seems that the slavery agitation is to swallow up every thing else, and that in comparison with this all-absorbing and exted to redicule our ideas, and insists that citing question, all other matters and all the land and agree, must bear the burden other interests are of minor importance and of building these reads, and for this pur- entitled to but little consideration. It was pose calls for an ad volume tax, so that a maxim of the ancients, that whom the the tax on negates might be increased. Gods intended to destroy they first made We showed in our last how the Nows run mad, so that their destruction, although it up against Gov. Reid, in this matter, and proceeded directly from the Gods, yet that the News much first have the Consti- seemed to flow from their own rashness, tution amended before it could apply the and was the natural result of their madness ad valorum principle to slaves. Now we and infatuation. How far the ancients want the News to understand that we are were correct in their theory we shall not the advocates of an all valorum tax; this stop to enquire, but could they again visit is old Whig doctrine, and we are in favor the earth, dwell in our midst, witness the report. jef hand-helders, and slave owners, paying turmoil, strife, and contention of parties, their proper properties of the revenue, but and fully realize the dangers which are at the same time we seel well satisfied that hanging over and gathering around us, all improvements to North Carolina, and anx- not "instigated in this matter by any paran ad valorum tex, would reduce the tax springing from an insane agitation and an lous to wipe out the reproach which had ticular aversion to the Canine species." on land and negroes, and bring it up very absurd contention about an abstract princi- too long attached to her fair name, and No one we presume ever cutertained the considerably on some other species of prop- ple, they would certainly not be disposed to soiled her garments, may have gone rather least idea that the News, had any aversion crty which now pays but very little. As change their old ideas, but would certainly far in their recommendations, nor are we to dogs. It would be very strange indeed evidence of this we quote the following come to the conclusion that we were all prepared to say that all the works which if he had. The News further intimates that from the Feb. No., 1858 of the Banker's inflicted with madness, which the Gods they recommended should be carried out; it has no great formlass for mutton. As

Treatured Georgia shows a balance in the No one has the least idea that Kansas insist that justice to the West, to Fayette- er or not he ever hankers after wool. ever will or ever can be a slave State; al- ville and the Coal-fields requires that aid though the North should join with the should be given to these works, and that South in their efforts to make it one, for the fostering hand of the State should be in the treasury on the 20th October, 1857, nature, which no human efforts can coun- extended to them:is \$437,820 16, and the expenditures dur- teract has forbidden it; yet Kansas and ing the year 80,111,780,30, of which Slavery is the all absorbing question of the North Carolina Railroad, has been associa- 10 for Mr. Holden; 8 for Mr. Avery, and 3 The Sected debt is now reduced to \$2,700- home, matters of the deepest interest to us 660, while the State road, the property of las North Carolinians are overlooked, and the State, is Leva by yand officiently equip- | North Carolina instead of advancing, is led with Leonrotive and passenger cars. - constantly retrograding and taking a lower erto locked up by natural barriers, and to permit his name to go before the Convenposition among her sister States in the

on account of the large increase in value of regret that our space will not permit us to a'l taxable property—the returns this year publish this report in full, for we should pendent of the marcases valuation this souls and stir within their bosons an honyear \$23,449 04, has estimation is that est and patriotic pride to know that North profit them.

in North Charling, where neillions upon Carolina is "an unknown land," that we \$100,000,000 have been made to open retailless of property is not taxed at all, and have a State second to no other one in the gions no more valuable, and to connect minimum more raxed but nominally, a ne- confederacy in all the essential elements them with tide-water; expenditures both B. F. Roney were nominated for the House : 1 at - and it to this we were to add the latitude between the extremes of northern also, that this connection with other parts and southern enervation, affording by of the State was eminently due to Fayettethe provident arrangement of nature, in ville, as a commercial and manufacturing lieved that Judge Ruffin will accept the Flows. For example see the taxes of difference of elevation, all the advantages town of such consequence as to hold no in- nomination. Town perposes to the \$1 ...... \$ 171 den wealth of buried treasure in mineral the improvement made all around her it is in North Carolina, and this difference sea through her mines of coal and copper upon a liberal and just return. and iron; with mountains unsurpassed for capability of producing wool, that great star venue a licenst, in Compartor the ple of wealth to any land, with unlimited Carolina is so situated by nature that she ple's Party should have men in the Legis- Observer. statement above que al shows the amount water power and abundant material for cannot derive the same advantages from a lature capable of caping with Judge Rufof revenue collected to be \$504,051.73, manufactures of every kind; with millions system of Improvements, as would some fin or any one else, who may be a member Amongst the bills introduced in the House nest that is true; and that Georgia is gion, every production of North and South to "Virginia reaching from the East to Bank Aristocracy. covered with a net-work of milroads, all -wish unestimated wealth of naval stores grasp and bear down to her tide-waters the of which are paying reads—and we would in immense unopened forests :- thus, migh- riches of Tennessee and Kentucky, across ty in all resources of power-almost helpless in their command.

Such is our State-who doubts it, or who will consider the picture over-drawn? are very significant facts, and we commend Abroad the statement might well be doubthem to the consideration of the News, and ted, for its credit would bring upon us only greater reproach; but, of this Assembly, coming up here from every section of the The News, calls the ad valorum tax, State, all know that it is simple unexaggerthe "old denfectative Republican tax." - ated truth-and, where do we stand? It desirable, has decreed North Carolina alone Now this is decidedly new, and we ask the would be sufficient answer to call upon to be a tributary territory-a provincial News to tell us, when democracy ever te- every son of North Carolina who has ever vassal, because tonil counsels and laggard commended such a tex, before the message | gone to a foreign land, or has crossed over our borders, to recount the bitter motificaof Gov. Real of 1854-55 -and even then tion, the inevitable humiliation he has suf- hindered her progress." Mr. Reid contented, that the clause in the fered, at the mention of his State-at that, constitution, protestrar slaves from this ad | which for revolutionary fame, ought to be valoriem tax was proper and should not be as proud a boast as the "Roman Citizen" departed from. Hew did it happen that Who does not know that our name has negroes were so protected by the constitu- been made a by-word for scoffing and large towns, how unwise it is to expect Senate." tion! Simply because the East refused a sneers-a reproach for sleepy inaction! convention to the West, until they land and by the men of North Carolina abroad,

turpentine"-but a region of fair plains and fertile valleys, of abundant various production, and rich treasures? This would have been incredible, that a land so favored by the gift of beneficence, should be so peo-

Here then, is the conclusion, which it is

Such then is North Carolina-possessing within herself all the elements necessary to make her great and powerful. Such toe, is our character abroad, "our name a byword for scoffing and sneers-a reproach for sleepy inaction." And in the language of the committee, we repeat-"such is our State. Who doubts it, or who will consider the picture over-drawn?" Dougt it indeed? Who does not know that such is the fact? Its truth forces itself home to every reflecting mind. And yet in view of these things-although our name is made proach for sleepy inaction," yet on all sides nothing is heard but the cry of Kansas, behind their ears! Kansas, while not a hand is raised to redeem North Carolina from her state of deep degradation, and to throw off this "reproach of sleepy inaction" which is making her "a by-word" and subjecting her to the scorn and derision of every stranger. Are we not demented, and might it not well be said of us, that whom the Gods intend to destroy-they first make mad.

gotten up by Whigs, and intended to make political capitol, and by over-drawn pictures to stir the people up and cause them to involve the State in a debt beyond her resources and beyond her ability to meet: for be it remembered that the Legislature of 1854-55 was largely democratic, and that Charles F. Fisher Esq., was the Chair-

had brought upon us preparatory to our des- but we earnestly commend to our readers to this we have our doubts-at any rate Le

sions throughout the State, with the measure just referred to, and may justly claim consideration, not only as a great scheme an easy means of egress; but as an iron bond to unite indissolubly East and West, and, as a measure of justice, to the region

The bill for the Fayetteville and Greensthe value of which is not new, and can hardly be with us fully estimated, except tral Aristocracy will "rule the roost" "Your committee assumes that it will not by comparison with other States; and in be doubted here, however it may be ques- looking to Pennsylvania, Maryland, and tioned elsewhere, by those to whom North Virginia, we find that expenditures of over t with a climate most happily tempered by a canals, all profitable. It was considered north and south; with a soil equal in fertil- considerable claim on this just liberality of my, and in capability of production, to that the Legislature, cut off as she has been, of any region however favored; with a hid- from the means of her past prosperity, by

> a mountain range;" to South Carolina extending her arms across our own mountains to reach the same prize; to Georgia directing her iron-way northward for for-

it was provided that none but free-holders with only the staples of "tar, pitch, and ed. - Charlotte Democrat.

A New Branch of the Census.

We would like see it incorporated into. and made a part of, the duty of the next Census taker to ascertain the number of sheep killed every year in North Carolina by dogs-the worth of the sheep so killed and the value of their destroyers. We imnot possible to gainsay-that with a terri- agine that the figures, small as the matter may tory abounding in resources of wealth- seem to those who have given no attention possessing every essential to make a peo- to it, would open the eyes of the people ple great, prosperous, and honored, we rank with amazement There are enough sheep in the list of States near to the very lowest! destroyed in this way every year in North Carolina to pay the intereston a large por-

tion of the public debt. We are instigated to our researches in this matter not by any particular aversion to the canine race, nor yet by any especcial fondness for muttin; but by a benevolent desire to aid the Greensboro' Patriot in devising ways and means to extend the Western Rail Road without taxing the slave holders! If "niggers" won't pay, it may be that something handsome can be realized out of the dogs! At any rate we hope to see the facts brought to light the next time the "senses" man goes his rounds, and have no doubt that the result would be a tax upon the tens of thousands of thievish, sheep killing, worthless curs that now invest the country, which would eventuate in their tails being cut off close

We take the above from the Asheville News, and if any aid can be furnished to the Western Extension by taking a dog and sheep census, we hope that the idea of the News will be carried out, for we are anxious to see our mountain friends accommodated with Roil Road facilities, even though to do this should require the entire extermination of the Canine species. We Let it not be said that this report was hope the next legislature will attend to this matter, for there are so many applicants for office now in the ranks of the democracy, it is highly necessary that some new offices should be created, and we know of no one who would be better qualified to take the number of, and estimate the value of dead sheep than our cotemporary of the News. And we doubt man of the Committee, which made the not that in a sheep inquest and as sheep Coroner for the State, he would win lau-This Committee fired with zeal, deeply rels, and preside with as much dignity as impressed with the importance of internal Justice Shalbar. The News says that it is the following extract from the report, and is very eareful to say nothing as to wheth-

Who will receive the Nomination?

A writer in the Charlotte Democrat says that in the primary meetings, 18 counties The next bill-that for the Western have declared for Judge Ellis for Governor; day, while matters which concern us at ted in the public view, and in all discus- for Judge Person. The remaining 45 counties have either not yet held meetings, or have expressed no preference. Judge to open one-half of the whole State, hith- Person has published a letter, declining to bring forth the abundant productions by tion; and we doubt whether either of the other three, who have been named, will Clos, and was paid in the past year. The We have been lead into these reflections hitherto aliens and strangers to each othe receive the nomination. The probability system of taxation in Gengin is an ad va- from reading the very able and interesting er, and to make North Carolina, by a appears to be, that the convention will set report of the Internal Improvement Com- union of interest, what she never has aside the claims of all of them, and unite on mittee of the Legislature of 1854-55. We been, one people in feeling and sympathy ; some one who has not been brought forwhose men have always stood here, in the ward in the primary meetings. The thing halls of the Assembly, ready to grant, with will be managed by a small clique, who showing \$525,027,963, against \$495,478, like to see it in the hands of every North a free hand, whatever was asked of State will attend the convention with triggers Carolinian, for it could not fail to fire their aid, by their brothers of other sections, for set; throw dust in the eyes of the majority improvements that could by no possibility of the representatives of the party in connotes of lead that have not been returned ments essential to make her great and pow- as justly claiming to be a State work of could name at least a doz in aspirents, who erful, while at the same time, it would cov- much importance, as one means to devel- are expecting to be selected as the com-Tama agree that in Georgia, where eve- er them with shame and confusion to read ope an interest, the coal region of Chatham, premise candidate. We predict that Cen-

# Alamance County.

At a Democratic meeting recently held in Alamance county, Judge Ruffin and Capt. which go to make power and greatness; by State and corporations for railroads and of Commons, and T. T. Turner for Sherin -the present incumbents of these othces declining to be candidates. It is be-

# Hon. David S. Reid.

The last Fayetteville Carolinian contains a note from a citizen of Fayetteville, dated Richmond, Va., who says-"Having to pass through this city on my journey North, eign trade, and then they ask the question I concluded to tarry a little while, especial--"And are we to be told that nature, not- ly as our esteemed friend Gov. Reid is withstanding her lavish gifts of whatever is confined here by sickness. He has been detained in this place for more than two months. It affords me pleasure to say that he is getting better, yet, his improvement action have in all the gloomy time past is of slow progress. He has a cough which I hope is not serious. His physician speaks of taking him out to ride in a Another paper gone .- The Wilmington day or so if the weather is good. I carn-Commercial has been discontinued. If estly trust that he will, ere long recover

their success in small villages throughout It will be a source of gratification to the a gnarance that slaves should be so pro-ticted, and as a set of an tover of the West, as set forth in geographies immemorial, THE REFORMER.

A few weeks since we issued a prospectus for the Reformer, a paper to be published in Greensbsro', and to be devoted to State issues, but as we intend to enlarge the "Patriot & Flag" and shall thus be enabled to accomplish with the one paper what we could with the two, we have concluded not to publish the Reformer We are under many obligations to those have interested themselves for us in getting up clubs for the "Reformer," and we will furnish the Patriot & Flag, to said clubs, in its enlarged form for three months. hoping that this will be satisfactory-or if they desire it we will refund the money.

### TO THOSE IN ARREARS.

We are making out the accounts of those in arrears to this office and placing them in the hands of Agents for settlement. Having determined to adopt the advance payment system on and after the 1st of July next, all our accounts will be made out to that date. We hope that all our customers will promptly settle their respective accounts in some way, when presented. Those who cannot cash them will please close them by note. We are very desirons to have our outstanding accounts all closed before the first of July. After that date, we wish to devote our entire energies to making our paper one of the best. as it will be one of the largest in the South ern country. If our subscribers will all settle up back rations, and pay a year in advance, we will insure them a paper that will do their eyes good to look at, and their hearts good to read.

### A PEECH FROM MR. SCALES.

It is with pleasure that we make the announcement of the fact, which we learn from he Washington correspondent of the Winston Sentinel, that the Hon. A. M. Scales has been engaged for some time in the preparation of a real Buncomb Speech; though the subject of the speech has not yet transpired. The whole nation will doubtless wait in anxious suspense for its promulgation. We speak for a copy of the first edition. Its brilliancy will no doubt astonish those unacquainted with the powers of eloquence and oratory of our young aspiring this section of country, (and dum surroun-Congressman. It will be a great speech when it does come, even though it takes the whole session to prepare it. "Remember

## CONGRESS

speeches on Kansas. The prospect of the acceptance of the Lecompton Constitution | guise." appears to be diminishing. Many Southern members begin to see that the South has

Attempt at Murder and Robbery. John Brown, deceased, in the vie nity of the Democratic Party is the most corrupt said State shall be common Lighways and Normal College, was broken into, and Mrs. party that ever existed, that they are justly forever free, as well to the inhabitants of cd. There was a small amount of money ment, that they promise everything, yet do contained shall be so constructed as to recogin the house, but the field failed to find it. nothing, ever treacherous, unfaithful and nize or reject or determine the validity of Mrs. B. was stillalive when last heard from, inconsistent, that we jeopardize the very li- any constitution which has been presented condition, hopes were entertained for her Radicalist to remain in power; yet we are sas perfectly free to form and regulate their recovery. The object of this hellish deed counseled, (with shame be it spoken.) by domes is institutions and affairs in their vention, and stiffs the voice of the people, is supposed to have been plunder. We these very same papers to prolong this n is own way, subject outly to the Constitution there are 46, not regrees, and 40.704,000 Carolina possessed within herself all the cle-boro' Railroad, your Committee regarded as expressed in their county meetings. We have no information as to who the guilty rule." Oh! consistency, thou art a jews of the United Status. wretch is that did the deed.

# Mr. Gilmer's Land Bill.

The National Intelligeneor gives the following synopsis of the bill introduced in the House of Representatives last week by Mr. Gilmer. We fear that it is too just and equal a measure to receive the sanetion of a body which seldom acts upon principles of justice, but generally with reference to political and even personal effeet. It is right, however, and Mr. Gilmer descrives the thanks of his constituent for introducing it. Were it to become a The battle between the People and the law, he would deserve the thanks of every Bank Aristocracy will be fought in the man, woman and child in the old States; next Legislature; and we suppose each for it would offord them the means of edu-Toll tax- Ver thus the party will endeavor to secure the services cation and internal improvements, without The excesse that the Lat and poll tax or famed for silver, California and Austra- representatives have most generously and of the ablest men in its ranks. Should a resort to taxation. It would step emigrain Georgia is quite sanche appared to what his for gold, England powerful on land and magnanimously given their support, relying Judge Ruffin be elected, we presume he tion, for North Carolina would then have will be a prominent leader of the Bank Ar- all she needs to make her the most desira-In answer to the objection that North istocracy. It is important that the Peo- ble spot of earth to live on .- Fayetteville

> other States, the Committee call attention of that body, as the representive of the of Representatives on Monday last was one by Mr. Gilmer, of North Carolina, to prevent the accumulation of an unnecessary surplus in the Treasury and to equalize the grants of lands to the several States .-This bill provides, in substance, that in all cases hereafter when donations or gifts of the public lands are made by Congress to any State, or to any company or corporation of any State, a like quantity or land (in proportion to the representation of the States) shall be due and granted to all the other States. The bill also proposes to enact that hereafter whenever at the end of each fiscal year there be in the Treasury a surplus of money over and above the immediate claims on the Treasury, and also the sum of six millions of dollars subject to draft, such surplus shall be deposited with the several States, so far as they may be willing to receive it, in proportion to their respective representation in Congress; provided, however, that the distribution of newspapers can barely be sustained in and be able to resume his duties in the surplus moneys under the proposed act shall in no case exceed the amounts received from the sales of the public lands from and after the passage of the act.

> > word will drive out many evil thoughts, \$100 of real estate. And the Poor Tax is A. Cohen has been arrested and lodged in and stifle many evil passions.

Mesars. Editors:- It seems that a majority of those papers claiming to represent, (egregiously misrepresenting as think) the great cause of Americanism in the State of North Carolina, are madly determined upon the support of an orthodox Democrat for Governor, I say orthodox because Mr. McRae has asseverated wherever and whenever he has spoken with great vehemence and earnestness that he is a better Democrat than the Editor of the Standard, and endeavours on all occasions to prove this from the record of the present and the past. Those members of the American Party however, who still insist upon the nomination of candidate reflecting their own principles, are kindly warned in advance by these seudo Americanists that our standard bearers "must consent to submit himself to an awful defeat, as the reward for a troublesome and expensive canvass;" in other words, if you dare run a candidate of your own, Gentlemen, he will be beaton, he must be beaten. This sounds to me very much like a menace-a threat; and would justify the deduction that the Register, the Watchman et id omne genus, had determined upon supporting a Distribution Democrat, in preference to a Simon pure American. I trust that I am mistaken yet such is the interpretation, that I am orced to give to the above language. Permit me to repeat what I stated in a

For the Patriot and Flag.

former communication on this subject that you may secure to Mr. McRae, or any other Distribution Democrat, the vote of every American in the State, and I predict that he will not receive the suffrages of more than 500 Regular Old line Democrats in North Carolina. Mr. McRae has already (in anticipation of his running as the Distribution candidate) been denounced by every Democratic paper in North Carolina, as an "apostate, a traitor, a renegade, a disorganizer, and a Federal Know Nothing in disguise;" and every party leader. in every petty neighborhood, with but few exceptions, has taken his one from the above, and has forestalled Party opinion in every county in the State.

I do not know of a single Democrat in ded by myriads of Democrats, I assure you, of the Jefferson and Jackson school) who favor this scheme-on the contrary, most of those with whom I have conversed, will labor more strenuously, I am sure, for the defeat of a Distribution than an American the Union upon the express condition that Nothing doing in Congress, but making candidate, regarding the former as they say, "as a disorganizing apostate in dis-

vocating so vehement'y the election of an every thing to loose and nothing to gain b; orthodox Democrat for Governor, that he Legislature of North Carolina, that they do upon the public domain of the United instruct our Senators and Representatives We learn that on Thursday night of last in Congress to vote for Distribution, have week, the house of Mrs. Brown, widow of told us, and will tell us again pechaps, that Brown knocked down and breised in a hor- chargeable with all the agitation that has said State as to the citizens of the United rible manner; and the house then search- threatened the destruction of the Governand though in a very critical and suffering berties which we enjoy by permitting these to Cough so; the true intent and meaning

I have yet to see or hear the first good reason for pursuing such a suicidal policy. gence received at Washington from Kar It must damage the American Party, result sas removes all doubt of the election of the as it may, it must damage the cause of Dis- | Abolition ticket, and Gen. Calhoun declares tribution, and it can only tend to strength- his intention to give certificates according en and augment the number and power of ly. His letter published a few days ng/

merican Party must depend upon the just vestigates ailedged trands, determine upon tice of the principles which it advecates, and not upon the confusion and disorder of belonging exclusively to the Legislature of its opponents. To profit by a faction in Kansas, and cannot be legally exercised by the ranks of i's enemies, or ITS OWN CRE- an officer whose only duty in the matter ATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT, would be waworthy the great name which it bears, and f this were its ONLY HOPE of future suc- have been systematically bambiocaled by ccss. I for one should say, LET IT GO DOWN.

Bodisco. Leaksville, N. C., March 17 h, 1858.

# The Public Lands.

The Commissioner of the Land Office has replied to the call for full information made by the House of Representatives, that it is entirely out of the power of the Office, with its present force and heavy current duties, to give such information at present. Thirty or forty additional clerks and three years' labor will required, he says, to perform the duty.

From the brief response made we lead that the sales of land have been, from first to last, 139,032,865 acres. Grants to the new States and Territories (the last have as yet only received small portions) have

For Schools and Unversities 67.730.572 acres. " "Internal Improvements" 10,897,313 " Railroads 25,403,993

" Swamp Lands (frequently 51,948.916 the best) Reserved for Railroads 6,955,383

44,109,878 acres have been granted for military services, and about 5,000,000 acres for sundry other purposes. - Fayetteville

ston Sentinel, that Forsyth County is out The loss is immense. The stores of N.A. of debt, and has funds enough on hand to Cohen, White & Laverty, W. B. Burgesse carry through another year. The County T. D. Knox, B. T. Miller, J. C. Grandy Court therefore has laid no tax for county Wm. Shannon, H. Culpepper, B. Sprewell, purposes. The Common School Tax is W. H. Clark, C. M. Laverty and others Speak kinkly to all, for one kind 25 cents on the poll, and 10 cents on the The Marine Hospital is also in ruins. a like amount on each.

From the Richmond Whie A New Bill for the Admission of Kansa The Hon. John A Gilmer, the Wil member of Congress from North Carolin has introduced a new bill for the admis of Kansas, which we publish below. though we desire that Kansas should admitted under the Lecompton Constitu tion without alteration or amendment the of, yet we prefer the bill of Mr. Gilmer that of the Administration now before Senate-for the reason, that the Admini tration bill involves direct Congressions intervention in the affairs of the people Kansas, while that of Mr. Gilmer protes and provides against intervention of any sort, and leaves the people of Kansas "Del fectly free to form and regulate their stitution in their own way, subject on to the constitution of the United States."

The National Intelligencer, in publish ing this bill, says of it, that it appears to be framed with a view to effect what has been so urgently insisted upon by the friends of popular sovereignty, and by those who ok ject to Congressional intervention. It we be seen, it says, that it proposes no recor. nition by Congress of any Constitution, but carries out the prominent idea of the friends of the Kansas Nebraska bill, to we "to leave the people of Kansas perfectly free to form and regulate their own institutions in their own way." &c. It would seem a be the object of the bill, it adds, to take away from the agitators North and South, all the elements of the present excitement and to present a common ground for the action of the conservative men of all par ties, who are heartily sick of the Kansag agitation, and are willing to get rid of it some way acceptable to both the North and

We annex a copy of the bill which Mr. Gilmer introduced:

A Bill for the admission of the State Kansas into the Union.

"Be it enacted by the Sen ate and Hous f Representatives of the United States America in Congress assembled, That of State of Kansas shall be one and is here! declared to be one of the United States America, and is admitted into the Union of an equal footing with the original States i all respects whatever.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That until the Representatives in Congress shall be apportioned according to an actual em meration of the inhabitants of the United States, the State of Kansas shall be enttled to one Representative in Congress.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the said State of Kansas is admitted ina the people of said State, through their Legislature or otherwise, shall never interfere with the primary disposal of the public lands within its limits, and shall pass no Those American papers that are now ad- law and do no act whereby the title of the United States to and the right to dispose of the same shall be impaired or questioned; and that they shall never lay any tax or may recommend in his Message to the next assessment of any description whatsoever States, and in no case shall non-resident proprietors, who are citizens of the United States, be taxed higher than residents; and that all the navigable waters within the

# KANSAS MATTERS.

It is announced that the latest intella-

prepared the public for this result. Where Mr Calhoun acquired the right The fortune and prosperity of the A- to go behind the returns made to him, in them and set aside the returns in consequence, is not stated. That is a power to give certificates of election in accordance with the Judge's returns.

Upon the whole the South seems the Administration. First we had the adoption of a slavery Constitution; and then the election of a State ticket of othe cers committed to the Constitution and favorable to the South. Thus our Southers Congressmen have been led to commit themselves to Lecompton so thorough that their passions will not permit, even their judgment dictated, a step backwards This point achieved, the Administration instructed Calhoun to investigate the fraids (all the time known to have decided the other party, expressly conceding the righ to alter the Constitution at pleasure, though it is as expressly declared in the Constitution that it shall not be altered before 1871

It is said that the Lecompton Bill W shortly pass both Houses. It so, the South will have the satisfaction of knowing that it has done its enemies' work, and strength ened their hands, whilst it has weaked its own moral power by conniving at an supporting frauds in no way serviceable to it .- Fayetteville Observer.

## Destructive Fire in Elizabeth City, N. C. Arrest of the Incendiary.

Norfolk, March 22 .- A most destri tive fire occurred in Elizabeth City, N. this morning. A number of stores in the Out of Debt .- We learn from the Win- business part of the town was consumed. jail on suspicion of being the incendiary