

Hillsborough Recorder.

Union, the Constitution, and the Laws—the Guardians of our Liberties.

HILLSBOROUGH, N. C. Wednesday, January 23, 1861.

Mr. Seward's recent speech in the Senate, the concluding portion of which will be found in the Recorder to-day, is said to have been conciliatory and conservative throughout.

The Legislature.—The discussion of the bill for calling a Convention was continued in both Houses of the Legislature throughout the whole of last week.

Fort Caswell.—The persons who recently took possession of and occupied for several days Fort Caswell and Johnston on the Cape Fear, were induced last week to withdraw from the same by the advice of Gov. Ellis.

The Herald says, "we learn they were politely treated by the Sergeant stationed there, who surrendered at discretion, and did all in his power to render their stay agreeable."

It is stated that at a meeting of some of the "minute men" after their return, was resolved to make a "substantial" present to the Sergeant for his kindness and attention.

Secession.—The Mississippi Convention passed the ordinance of Secession on the 9th instant, by a vote of 84 to 15, Florida on the 10th by a vote of 72 to 7, and Alabama on the 11th by a vote of 81 to 39.

The passage of the ordinance of Secession was celebrated at Mobile on the 11th instant by a salute of one hundred guns, and \$100,000 was subscribed for the defence of that city.

A report that the Subtreasury, Post Office and Custom House at St. Louis was taken possession of by a detachment of United States troops, by order of Gen. Scott, has caused excitement in some quarters.

Secretary of War.—The nomination of the Hon. Joseph Holt, of Kentucky, as Secretary of War, was confirmed by the Senate on Friday last.

FROM WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Lieut. Hall departed to-day for Fort Sumter with instructions for Major Anderson. Their character is unknown; but it has been ascertained that the troops will not be withdrawn from the fort, and that it will be defended to the last extremity.

Col. Hayne, Commissioner from South Carolina, has, it is understood, moderated his views since his arrival here, and will remain several days. The opinion is almost unanimous in secession circles, that all collision at present should be studiously avoided.

It is believed that strong representations have been made within a few days past urging the authorities of South Carolina to permit Major Anderson to have every facility for marketing and obtaining other domestic supplies.

The plan now before the Committee of the House on Federal Relations, in connection with the House of Delegates at Richmond, is regarded with much interest in political circles here.

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A county convention held at Frederick, Maryland, on Tuesday, resolved that Maryland shall never remain in a northern confederacy.

CHARLESTON AND NEW YORK STEAMERS.—The Savannah Republican announces that, in consequence of the obstructions in Charleston harbor, the steamers formerly plying between that port and New York will hereafter go to Savannah, and have their cargoes transported to Charleston over the Charleston and Savannah railroad.

THE POST OFFICE.—It is said that the daily and weekly newspapers of New York city, receive yearly by mail \$5,000,000.

FIRE IN NEWBURN.—On Tuesday morning last a serious fire occurred in Newburn, destroying the Tin and Sheet Iron Manufacturing of Messrs. C. A. Hart, Brother & Co., the City Restaurant of R. Wilkins, the Court House, the store and dwelling of N. Tinsdale, and some others. The loss was very considerable. That of Hart & Co., about \$15,000.

We regret to learn that our fellow-townman, W. S. Marsh, conductor of the freight train, on the N. C. Road, was seriously, though not fatally injured, on Monday last, by the breaking of the axle of a shanty car.

A New Paper.—The Carolina Whig is the name of a new paper published at Concord in this State, by J. W. Norman, Esq., the first number of which reached our office last week. It makes quite a respectable appearance, is conservative in politics, and bids fair to be a useful sheet.

Godley's Lady's Book.—The February number of this popular periodical has been received, filled, as usual, with interesting matter and a multitude of plates of the latest fashion, &c. Price \$3 per annum.

The Salisbury Banner.—Mr. Spelman has transferred his interest in the Salisbury Banner to Messrs. Stewart & Sanders, who have assumed its control. No change in its politics.

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We are opposed to coercion, and should deplore war and bloodshed, but we do not see how the President can order Fort Sumter to be surrendered or abandoned.

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MASSACHUSETTS.—The Boston Journal, an able Republican organ, declares that at least two-thirds of the people of that State are in favor of a repeal of the Personal Liberty law—some because they believe it unconstitutional, others because they deprecate such legislation as contrary to the spirit of national obligations, others as a concession to the conservative sentiment of the South, and others still in order that Massachusetts may stand before the country without a suspicion of being unfaithful to the Constitution and the Federal compact.

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These are, however, the men who now urge the expediency of separate State action, on the part of the States, and who openly advocate the policy of precipitating Louisiana, of herself, and without seeking concert with other States, into the vortex of Revolution.

THE HEBREWS AND SLAVERY. It is a singular fact that the most masterly expositions which have lately been made of the constitutional and the religious argument for slavery are from gentlemen of the Hebrew faith.

The London Times says Nana Sahib is still alive, with three or four thousand followers, in Thibet, and has plenty of money. The Senate of Arkansas has refused to pass the House bill calling a Convention in that State.

THE AUTOCRAT OF THE RUSSIANS! Alexander II. is prominently the reformer of the day. By the disenthralment of myriads of his subjects, Serfdom is rapidly yielding to the light and mission of civilization.

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THE other half of the Patriot belongs to M. S. Sherwood, who has been connected with the paper, both as Editor and Proprietor, for more than twenty years. Mr. Sherwood is a practical Printer, and well acquainted with every department of the business.

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