

promise any great utility. Those certainly must have been great minds, which could employ themselves on such important and intricate subjects as the improvement of ladies' corsets and ladies' reticules, for the purpose of obtaining patents: and such this country,—nay, New-York alone, of all the Union,—can boast! For among the number of patents we find one to Wm. Winning, for an improvement in ladies' reticules, and another to Wm. Jas. Cantello, for an improvement in ladies' corsets—both of said city.—Though we fear New-York must resign the honor of giving birth to the latter, as, judging from his name, we presume that Italy, the land of genius, and so prolific of great men, that the mere inhaling of its atmosphere would almost seem to create intellect,—that Italy, the country of *Conova*, is also of *Cantello*!

Twenty-three children, it is now ascertained, perished in the conflagration of the Orphan Asylum at Philadelphia, an account of which was published in our last.

FOR THE WESTERN CAROLINIAN.

No. III.

TO THE BOARD OF INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT.

GENTLEMEN: Pursuing the course suggested by your report, we arrive at the last, though by no means least, of those divisions into which you have divided the several matters over which you preside; I mean the Public Roads.

It is surprising that so little attention has been paid to the highways in this state. In the first place, there are so many of those roads, that the labour of opening and keeping them up is very considerable. Now this, although at first view it may seem to be an advantage, is really a disadvantage; the number of roads to be kept up divides and weakens the force necessary for keeping them in repair; it also discourages innkeepers and others from settling upon the roads for the purpose of accommodating travellers and wagoners. I do not possess a sufficient knowledge of the geography of this state to pretend to point out the number and direction of the roads, which it would be proper to encourage; but in the remarks which I shall submit on that subject, with great deference, I shall venture to differ from you in many respects. I take it for granted all along, that the state is to confine its assistance to those roads which are intended for carrying produce to market; leaving it to the Courts or to others to open and keep up roads for other purposes. I shall also confine myself to the western part of the state, with which I am best acquainted. Two roads have been opened by the assistance of the Treasury, from Wilkesborough: from thence there ought to be first, a road to Milton. As this road would pass through Surry and by the flourishing village of Salem in Stokes, and through Guilford, Rockingham, and Caswell, it would become soon the highway for wagons for all the trade carried on by their means from those and several neighboring counties, to Milton, to Lynchburg, and to Petersburg. Another road from the same place should be made at the public expense to Fayetteville, the great mart for flax seed, grown in considerable quantities in the counties of the west, and the place whence we obtain most of our salt. This road would coalesce, perhaps, with the last as far as Salem, or with the next as far as Salisbury. The third of those roads should lead to Cheraw, in South-Carolina, a place rising fast in importance. The fourth and last should pass by Statesville and Charlotte, to the South-Carolina line, on the way to Camden and Charleston; large quantities of cotton, spirits and provisions would be materially assisted in finding a market by making this road as good as the nature of the country permits, and by keeping up good bridges. If the state road from Morganton to Fayetteville should be properly improved, it would be proper to intersect it with a road from Salisbury, provided the Wilkes road to Fayetteville does not pass through that town. From Morganton a road should pass by Lincolnton, and so on to the South-Carolina line, in the direction to Charleston, and with a small deviation, to Camden on one hand, and Columbia on the other.

These roads, you will easily perceive, are calculated for the existing state of things, and are formed on the supposition that many years must elapse before we have a great commercial city in this state, employing capital enough to purchase all or the greater part of the produce of the state. But I would by no means lose sight of so desirable an object; and should have no objections to having a road from the extreme south west to Fayetteville. Now, Gentlemen, these roads and others, no doubt, of equal importance, in those parts of the state with which I am not acquainted, I would suggest should be entirely removed from the control of the County Courts and placed under the direction of Commissioners; and when the ordinary road services shall be unequal to the making and keeping them in good

order, that it may be done at the public expense. This, you will say, will cost a good round sum of money annually. I grant it. But it will cost a trifle, compared with the expense of clearing of rivers. And if it should be thought improper for the public to expend so much money without remuneration, no doubt travellers and wagoners will have no objection to paying something for tolls, when they find themselves able to perform their trip in two-thirds of the time they usually spend, and carry one-third more at a load. Now how has it happened, that a state so magnanimous and patriotic as to give \$20,000 or \$25,000 for the statue of Washington, should never have expended \$10,000 on all the roads in the State? The Legislature, in three years, have appropriated \$40,000 or more for the improvement and decoration of the State House, for the accommodation of itself and part of the officers of government, and it is to be hoped that it will not refuse the application of half that sum for ameliorating the condition of thousands of the most laborious and most exposed of all their fellow-citizens. You will perhaps excuse yourselves, by alleging that this address had better be made to the Legislature; I think otherwise. It is your province to inquire into the subject and to digest such practicable plans to the General Assembly as shall appear to you most likely to conduce to the public good. Be not discouraged at the failure of your proposal on a late occasion: the course recommended was too bold for hasty acceptance. Perhaps it was not sufficiently matured by yourselves. But if it, or any thing like it, should be thought beneficial to the state, it will no doubt be eventually adopted.

A FARMER.

AN UNWELCOME EMETIC.

A gang of robbers broke into a store near Woodbury, N. J. on Sunday night last. Among the variety of articles contained in the store, was a bottle in which there was a small quantity of *antimonial wine*. One of the robbers supposing it to be the real juice of the grape, drank it. It operated so powerfully, that his comrades were under the necessity of taking care of their companion instead of the goods. It seems, however, that they learnt but little wit from their misfortune, as three of them have been apprehended in consequence of their joking the patient about his dose. One of them has an uncommonly long foot, being upwards of 13 inches long.

[N. Y. Com. Adv.]

CUBA AND THE PIRATES.

"That," said SOLON, "is the most perfect popular government, where an injury done to an individual, is felt and regarded as an injury to the State." And he might have added, that a want of such a sentiment, indicates the decline and decay of honorable sympathy. It is to be hoped that while the Congress of the United States is discussing Indian expenditures in reference to the Secretary of War, and the conduct of the Secretary of the Treasury in reference to the Banks and Land Offices of the west—both of which questions have no very remote connexion with the next Presidency—and while indeed this last subject seems to be uppermost in the thoughts of those, who, at Washington, give semi-official expressions of cabinet opinions—that the national eye may not wholly overlook the barbarous plunder and murder of our citizens on the shores, and in the very harbors of Cuba. Taking it for granted that some public effort will be made for the security of our commerce, and the punishment of those who have robbed and murdered our citizens in the neighborhood of Havana and Matanzas, it would seem that scarcely any mode of redress, other than an application of force to the particular spot of outrage, would obtain the end desired. Spain, if applied to at Madrid, would of course disavow any sanction of such outrageous proceedings. Spain unfortunately has not such a control over Cuba, as to prevent their recurrence and repetition. There prevails in that island, if it be rightly understood, a revolutionary spirit, at war with government; a diabolical spirit, at war with honesty, religion, and common humanity. Outlaws from the rules of society, they have thrown themselves beyond the pale of civilization. Secretly, if not openly, encouraging and sharing in the plunder of these infernal pirates, the inhabitants thus offending, bring down upon themselves and their innocent families, the terrible penalty of such hardy violations.

The United States must, therefore, if they would obtain, seek redress on the spot. Demand the criminals for the purpose of justice—and if Matanzas or any other port, shall identify itself with the murderers, and refuse to deliver them up, let the Western Algiers be given to the flames.—*Charleston Courier*.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

Wm. Crooks, a native of England, was found dead in his bed near Bloomfield, N. J. on the 15th inst. He died, as the coroner's jury substantially said in consequence of repeated injuries received from *Sir Richard Run*.

[Alex. Her.]

INFANTICIDE.

On Wednesday morning last, a new

born infant, perfectly naked, with its skull fractured, was found exposed, at the French Tan Yards. The coroner offered a reward to certain persons in the vicinity if they could find out the unnatural mother, or wretch who had been concerned in the perpetration of so diabolical a deed; but his efforts have heretofore been ineffectual.

[N. Y. Com. Adv.]

CONNECTICUT COTTON.

The editor of the Hartford Mercury, says a gentleman of his acquaintance in that city, has some very fine stockings made from cotton which grew on his land in Berlin, and manufactured in his own family.

LOOK SHARP.

A fifty dollar note of the bank of the United States, dated first of January, 1817, letter B. was received yesterday by a house in Washington, and to day pronounced by the officers of the branch bank to be counterfeit. The plate and the signature are most perfect, and the notes may elude detection by the most expert money changers. The paper is thicker than the genuine notes of that letter and date.—*Nat. Intell.*

SUPREME COURT.

The Judges of the Supreme Court of this State, delivered their opinions and pronounced judgments in the following cases, on Friday the 1st inst. and adjourned till Court in course.

William Jones v. Joshua Fraeye, from Rutherford. Judgment reversed, and adjudged that judgment be entered according to award, that a certificate issue to the Court below to enter it accordingly.

Henry Branson v. Elizabeth Yancey and others, from Wake. Cause remanded, the defendants to answer, question on the demurrer reserved until the final hearing.

John Crowell's Adm'r. v. Daniel Mann, from Nash. Referred to the clerk to take account for a final decree.

Wm. Jones and others v. Wm. Person, Adm'r. of Thomas Person, from Orange. Interlocutory decree for complainants.

Jacob Stout v. William D. Wrenn, from Randolph. Rule for a new trial made absolute; judgment of the Court below reversed.

Mary Gregory v. Stephen R. Hooker's Adm'r. from Halifax. Rule for a new trial made absolute.

James C. Harrison and wife v. Henry L. Irwin's Heirs, from Halifax. Judgment of the Court below reversed, and rule for a new trial made absolute.

James Rider, Adm'r. and others v. Roger Jones, Ex'or. &c. from Craven. Judgment of the Court below reversed, and decree for the petitioners on the merits. Referred to Clerk to take an account of the hire of negro and his present value.

Moses A. Locke v. Isaac and Charles Alexander, from Cabarrus. Judgment of the Court below reversed, and rule for a new trial made absolute.

State v. Jno. C. Taylor, from Halifax. Rule for a new trial discharged, and judgment for the defendant.

Same v. Same, from Halifax. Rule for a new trial discharged, and judgment for the defendant.

Heirs of Daniel Foster v. Wm. Cook, from Franklin. Bill dismissed with costs.

Adam Lockhart v. Henry Harrington, from Anson. Judgment of the Court below affirmed.

Monica Odum and others v. Thomas Thompson and others, from Bertie. On motion of petitioners to dismiss the appeal, there not being a final judgment in the Court below, the same is dismissed.

David Tate v. Henry Oneal and others, from Wilkes. Rule for a new trial discharged, and judgment of the Court below affirmed.

James Greenlee and Charles McDowell v. heirs of Jos. McDowell, from Burke. Bill dismissed, with costs.

State v. Timothy Haney, from Rutherford. Judgment of the Court below affirmed.—Ordered that the Superior Court of Rutherford proceed to judgment for the State.

State v. Walter B. Rutherford, from Rutherford. Reasons in arrest of judgment overruled.—Ordered that the Court below proceed to judgment for the State.

John Carter, Assignee &c. Henry Smith real plaintiff, v. M. H. Petteway, sheriff of Halifax, from Halifax. Rule on the Sheriff made absolute.

Daniel Mann v. John Vick and others, from Halifax. Rule for a new trial discharged, and judgment of the Court below affirmed.

The Governor to the use of Archibald Robertson & Co. v. John Matlock sheriff and others, from Rockingham. Rule for a new trial discharged, and judgment of the Court below affirmed.

Den on demise of George J. Ham and wife v. Leonard Martin, from Pasquotank. Rule for a new trial discharged, and judgment of the Court below affirmed.

State v. Jeremiah Wynne, from Tyrrell. Rule for a new trial discharged.—Ordered that the Court below proceed to judgment.

State v. Daniel McDowell and Hyram Gray, from Buncombe. Judgment of the Court below reversed, and rule for a new trial made absolute.

State v. David M. Carson, from Buncombe. Judgment of the Court below reversed.—Ordered that the Court proceed to judgment for the State.

Abraham Herin v. Thomas L. McIntire, from Buncombe. Rule for a new trial discharged, and judgment of the Court below affirmed.

President and Directors of the Yaddin Navigation Company v. Jeremiah Benton, from Cabarrus. Plea in abatement sustained, and demurrer overruled.

State v. Poll and Lavinia, from Chowan. Judgment of the Court below reversed, and that the judgment be arrested, the Court of Chowan having no jurisdiction.

Gibson Alexander v. Malachi Jackson, from Tyrrell. Rule for a new trial made absolute, it not appearing for what cause the negroes in question were ordered to be sold by the County Court.

State v. Ben, the slave of John B. Herrington, from Craven. Rule for a new trial discharged.—Ordered that the Court below proceed to judgment of death against the prisoner.

Donald McQueen, agent &c. v. Green B. Burns, from Chatham. Judgment of the Court below reversed, and rule for a new trial made absolute.

State v. Thomas Goode, from Wake. Judg-

ment of the Court below reversed, and that the defendant be discharged.

Augustus Moore v. Isaac Moore, from Hertford. Ordered that this case be remanded to the Court below, it having been improperly transmitted to this Court.

State v. John Sowers, from Rowan. Ordered that this case be dismissed, it having been improperly transmitted to this Court.

Henry Bryan and John A. Bryan v. John Sanders, Robert Gully and Allen S. Ballinger, from Johnston. Dismissed at the costs of the complainants.

Den on demise of James Orbison v. George Morrison, from Iredell. Judgment of the Court below reversed, and rule for a new trial made absolute.

Joseph Wilson v. Robert Simonton, from Iredell. Plea sustained, and demurrer overruled.

James M. Erwin v. Michael Sumrow, from Lincoln. Judgment of the Court below reversed, and rule for a new trial made absolute.

Thomas M'Ewin v. Jacob Benning, from Mecklenburg. Rule for a new trial discharged, and judgment of the Court below affirmed.

Den on demise of Adam Nixon and others v. Jonathan Potts, from Mecklenburg. Rule for a new trial discharged, and judgment of the Court below affirmed.

State v. Nixon Curry, from Mecklenburg. Judgment of the Court below reversed.—Ordered that the Court proceed to judgment according to law.

REGULA GENERALIS.

It is ordered by the Supreme Court that publication be passed on all depositions in Equity, before the causes are transmitted to said Court.

Notice is given to all concerned in causes depending in the Supreme Court, that unless the postage is paid on letters directed and sent by mail to the Clerk, they will not be taken out of the office. All Sheriffs making returns will attend to this notice.

[Raleigh Register.]



MARRIED.

In Cabarrus County, on the 7th instant, Mr. Joseph Cahain to Miss Narcissa Ross.

Also, on the same day, Mr. John Neely to Miss Anna Lemons, of Mecklenburg County.

Also, the same day, in Mecklenburg County, Mr. Joseph Allison to Miss Nancy Lemons.



DIED.

On the 30th January, at his father's seat in Rowan County, of a painful and lingering illness, which terminated in dropsy, John Cook, jr. son of John Cook, Esq. aged 19 years. In the death of this amiable young man his relations have sustained an irreparable loss. Society is deprived of a worthy and respectable member, who promised fair to make a useful citizen. Having supported a moral character from his earliest youth, he embraced the christian religion in the 17th year of his age, and joined the Baptist Society. He lived and died in a firm belief of the existence and goodness of God, evincing all that composure and submissiveness ever characteristic of a true christian.

[COMMUNICATED.]

A LIST OF

Military Land Warrants

ISSUED to the President and Trustees of the University of North-Carolina, since the sitting of the last General Assembly.

No. of Warrant.	Original Claimants.	No. of Warrant.	Original Claimants.
665	James Ammins	843	John Needham
666	Peter Rough	844	Jesse Nettles
667	Jesse Rowell	845	Abisha Oliver
668	Jack Rock	846	Patrick O'Kelly
673	Wm. Richards	847	Leonard Parker
674	Nathaniel Harris	848	Samuel Parker
677	William Logan	849	Thomas Peavey
678	John Wonks	850	Drury Perkinson
679	Hains White	851	John Roberts
680	Moses Stearn	852	John Richardson
681	Michael Seantlin	853	Wm. Rochester
682	John M'Kean	854	Charles Stewart
695	William Clifton	855	Benj. Stedman
696	Sim. Christophers	856	James Scott
697	William Barber	857	Martin Slayers
698	Hardy Cheshire	858	William Shild
699	Arthur Arnold	859	Jesse Siddle
700	John Brevard	860	Thomas Sillard
701	Richard Ward	861	William Talton
702	Knibb Wynn	862	Andrew Vanoy
703	Peter Duncan	863	Joseph J. Wade
704	Gilbert Miller	864	James Varkize
705	William Womack	865	Elisha White
706	Right Bass	866	Thomas Walker
707	William Wynn	867	John Burges
708	Samuel M'Dowg	868	Lewis Weaver
709	Thomas Ward	869	Eli Ely
710	Thos. Warwick	870	John Edwards
711	Edward Fossett	871	James Holden
712	Abiel Andrews	872	Thomas Loyd
718	Randol Bryant	873	Thomas Tucker
719	Benj. Bennett	874	William Douglas
720	Collin Brown	875	George Harrison
721	William Boling	876	David Jones
722	John Booth	877	Hardy Ridley
723	Thos. Blackleach	878	Edmund Blount
724	Jesse Benton	879	Willis Davis
725	Job Butts	880	John Burrows
726	Christ. Brannon	881	Job Mitchell
727	William Conner	882	John Southerland
728	John Conley	883	Isaac Roberts
729	Charles Connor	884	Gabriel Terrell
730	John Condon	885	Etheldred Bosman
731	John Darby	886	Allen Baggott
732	William Ford	887	Henry Jason
733	Thomas Hewings	888	Bartlet Moreland
734	James Hilliard	889	Robert Palmer
735	Elisha Hubbard	890	William Shepard
736	Hardy Hines	891	William Hill
737	Malcom M'Daniel	892	Larie Linch
738	Matthew Newly	893	Charles Richards
739	Ed'wd Pendleton	894	James Chambers
740	James King, sen.	895	Ezekiel Griffin
741	Hezekiah Rice	896	Nichols Edmunds
742	Anth'y. Simmons	897	Benjamin Caffield
743	Adam Sykes	898	Howell Gee
744	Philip Thomas	899	Solomon Cooper
745	William Townly	900	Thomas Watson
746	John Tillery	901	Joseph Close
747	Mathew White	902	Joseph Hodges
748	Henry Wiggins	903	David Walden
749	Thomas Bullock	904	Robert Williams

750	Baxter Boland	917	Benjamin Bird
	[returned & filed.]	918	Josiah Green
751	William Baker	919	Gerrard Craig
752	Robert Brewer	920	William Groves
753	Henry Coker	921	Richard Bradley
754	Dennis Dowling	922	Jno. Chesborough
755	James Gilliam	923	Robert Duncan
756	Thomas Grisart	924	Peter Kippy
757	Jacob Moore	925	William Huel
758	Matthew Warren	926	Robert Singleton
759	Hercules Ryan	927	Jethro Lassiter
760	George Redner	928	Levi West
761	Samuel Scott	929	Henry Blurton
762	Nathaniel Weat	930	William Roark
763	Negro Brutus	931	William Kennedy
766	Negro Frederick	932	Wm. Washington
767	John Hardy	933	Daniel Wade
768	Joch Maron	934	Thomas Whitley
769	Josiah Miller	935	John Cottle
770	Thomas Hutton	936	James Piner
771	Matthew Brickel	937	William Seantlin
772	John Bagnall	938	William Turpin
773	Henry Brantley	939	William Yates
774	David Burnett	940	Joseph Hyman
775	Charles Craben	941	Isham Carns
776	Martin Cole	942	Thomas Goff
777	Cubit	943	Lewis Outlaw
778	William Haygood	944	Joseph White
779	Jeremiah Messer	945	William Elks
780	William Stennu	946	John Arnold
781	Henry Vize	947	Samuel Burrows
782	Peter Brown	948	Richard Wheabey
783	Christ. Barlow	949	William Neil
784	Moses Byrd	950	Jacob Waddle
785	James Balentine	951	John Curtis
786	Richard Cordle	952	John Low
787	William Fox	961	Matthias Brickle
788	Wm. Flemming	962	Thomas Kent
789	Black Garrick	963	James Kelton
790	Benjamin Patrick	964	Samuel W. Lewis
791	John Foney	965	Jerome M'Mullen
792	Daniel Twigg	966	Joseph Miles
794	John Atkinson	967	John Morning
795	John Baker	968	Deury Chavous
796	Samuel Bradley	969	John Cumminger
797	John Boon	970	John Cook
798	Lewis Biddlehizer	971	Jacob Hafner
799	Joseph Beaumont	972	Isaac Cornelius
800	Joseph Cook	973	Thomas P. Cook
801	John Cook	974	Richard B. Cook
802	John Campbell	975	Caleb Koen
803	David Conn	976	Robert Galf
804	Edward Cox	977	William Hurley
805	Charles Coleman	978	Josiah Daws
812	David Easter	985	Ebenezer Blackley
813	John Erwin	986	David Broadwell
814	William Ewell	987	Burrel Davis
815	Josias Fenton	988	Thomas Little
816	Robert Griffin	989	Jeremiah Mallin
817	James Gunn	990	Michael Lemoy
818	Stephen Harris of	991	Richard Bond
	Darnall's company.	992	John Pileham
819	Burrell Hughes	993	James Faddles
820	John Hart	994	Thomas Pyot
821	Stephen Harris of	995	William Ward
	Stedman's comp'y.	996	Richard Lucas
822	Shadrach Homes	997	Josiah Stocks
823	Samuel Hollowell	998	William Kinkaid
824	James Hall	999	William Risk
825	Thomas Hill	1019	Arnwell Herron
826	George Hill	1020	George Richards
827	Thomas Hopkins		