



SALISBURY:

TUESDAY MORNING, FEB. 4, 1823.

DAVIDSON COUNTY.

The first Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, for Davidson County, was organized at Lexington during the past week. David Mock was elected Clerk; James R. Dodge, County Solicitor; and James Wiseman, Sheriff.

The editor of the Elizabeth City Star was wrongly informed, when he was told, "that a sort of compromise had taken place between the members of the legislature, that in the event of the eastern members voting for the division of Rowan and that object being effected, the convention question was to be put at rest;" no such compromise was ever made.—The western members were not so ignorant, not only of their duty, but of the powers delegated to them, as to put up at bargain and sale, the rights of their constituents. And besides, if we are not very much mistaken, the eastern members were led distinctly to understand, that the division of Rowan would have no influence on the convention question: it would not only not put it at rest, but would not even relax the exertions of the West for the attainment of an equality of rights, and a just proportion of influence in the councils of the state. They considered the division of Rowan, equally as well as the call of a Convention, a right—not a matter of favor; and for the attainment of the one, they never would have consented to a renunciation of the other. If the eastern members calculated upon this,—of which there can be little doubt,—the only consolation we can give them is, that this is not the first time "the wise have been caught in their own craftiness."

PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION.

Mr. Clay has recently been nominated, by a legislative caucus in Ohio, as a fit person for the Presidency. The votes were, for Mr. Clay 50, Mr. Clinton 5, Mr. Calhoun 1, Mr. Adams 1; total 57. The whole number of members of the Ohio legislature is upwards of 100—our readers can form their own conclusions as to Mr. Clay's prospects of success in that State. Mr. Clay, we believe, was at Columbus at the time of his nomination, or a few days previous to that event—whether for business or pleasure, we know not; though circumstances seem to indicate the former.

EDUCATION.

During the sitting of the General Assembly of this state, in 1821, a committee was appointed in the House of Commons to see whether the 41st article of the constitution, enjoining it upon the legislature to establish a school or schools, for the convenient instruction of youth, with such salaries to the masters, paid by the public, as may enable them to instruct at low prices, had been duly attended to; and likewise report a plan for diffusing, more generally, the blessings of education among the people. With the appointment of the committee, and perhaps some preliminary proceedings on their part, the subject, we believe, ended. At the last session, Gov. Holmes, in a very able and forcible manner, urged upon the legislature the importance of directing their attention to this subject, and, as their journals will show, in vain. Why such an apathy should prevail on a question so momentous; why such an indifference should be felt in regard to an object, which, in importance, as far as transcends the ordinary subjects that annually consume the time of the legislature, as the sublime realities of another world do the petty concerns of the most petty triflers in this,—is to us really inexplicable. It surely cannot be, because the facilities of education are already ample; for evidence to the contrary, in every direction, continually stares us in the face. Be the cause of this apathy what it may, there are few, if any, who will say, that these things ought so to be.

We have frequently, since the commencement of our editorial career, endeavored, very imperfectly, however, to show the importance, not only in a moral, but in a political point of view, of putting into operation some system of public in-

struction; and have often brought in, as auxiliaries, to our support, the examples of our sister states. We shall add nothing more, at this time; but, in conclusion, we introduce, as another example, and as an incentive to exertion, an extract from the message of Gov. Parris, to the legislature of Maine, now in session. It is as follows:

"To secure to the people the enjoyment of civil and religious liberty, and their just rights, a knowledge of those rights, of their value and importance to themselves and their posterity, is indispensably necessary. Nor should this knowledge be confined to a few; the more universal its diffusion, the greater the security. It may justly be considered the pride of our State, that here, no man, however poor, is necessarily destitute of that volume which is the best and purest fountain of moral instruction, for himself and family; no youth, however indigent, but is provided with a school, at the public expense, in which he may obtain such an education as will enable him to transact the usual business of life, and become acquainted with his rights and duties as a citizen."

"Such labored nothings in so strange a style, Amaze the unlearn'd, & make the learned smile."

In the National Intelligencer of the 28th December, we have a set speech of the Hon. Mr. Floyd, of Va. full five columns long, abounding with matters historical, statistical, geographical, commercial, and, like Caleb Quotem's professions, with "ten hundred thousand things" besides. This heterogeneous concoction was delivered on a bill to settle a colony at the mouth of Columbia River, on the Pacific Ocean, and is a near blood relation to a report made to Congress on the same subject at a former session, and no doubt by the same learned gentleman. In that report, he gives us a full account of the discovery of America, by a certain Christopher Columbus, and of the first settlement of this continent by the Spaniards. In the speech he does not travel back quite so far, but begins with the reign of James the 1. Anno Domini 1606; and thence he travels along the current of time, by a hop skip and jump, to the year Anno Domini 1822. The orator tells us all about the first settlement of Virginia, his native state, and furnishes the following interesting notice of a sister state:—"Tennessee, I believe, was settled contrary to the command of government; and Governor Levier, a gentleman of great enterprise, high integrity and honor, was even outlawed for having the temerity to go beyond the limits assigned to the people by their government." Really, this is a piece of historical information worthy of the attention of the gentleman who is writing a history of North-Carolina; but we should be pleased, however, to hear the learned orator's authority for the same. We suspect it must come from one of two sources; either from the famous Cid Hamet Benengeli, or from the no less famous General Cocke, of Tennessee.

After settling the country, the orator tells how far it is from St. Louis, via Clark's river, to the mouth of the Oregon—meaning, in plain English, the Columbia river. He also informs us precisely, how many skins of beaver, muskrats, foxes, raccoons, (commonly called koons,) and minks, have been obtained by the North-West Company; and how many whales have been taken by the men of Nantucket—that the Indians beyond the Stony Mountains, make their kettles out of pure copper, and that a wagon lately went all the way to Sante Fee, and back again. But this is not all—an orator of Mr. F.'s "profound profundity," can't stop at Europe and America—a trip to China is necessary to round off his speech. Accordingly, we sail into the port of Canton, and receive the whole history of the China trade;—that in the year A. D. 1821, the good "ship Honqua, Nash, master, owned by Perkins, cleared from London, direct, with 50,000 dollars"—vide third column of his speech. Thus, after circumnavigating the world, our oratorial navigator again touches at the mouth of the Columbia, and then, sits himself quietly down in the House of Representatives in the City of Washington, and District of Columbia.

It seems, however, that Congress have not passed the bill. If they do, we humbly propose, that among the first settlers that are sent out, shall be John Cleves Symmes, the Hon. Lemuel Sawyer, from

Carrhuck, the Hon. Mr. Floyd himself, and a few more of his radical brethren;—they there can have a fair chance of putting into practice their radical doctrines.

INTERESTING PUBLICATION.

Rev. Colin M'iver, of Fayetteville, has issued proposals for printing, by subscription, a volume of sermons, to be called "The Southern Preacher." The volume is to contain 400 pages, and neatly bound and lettered, will be delivered to subscribers at the moderate sum of two dollars. Where is the man, who loves religion, who feels an interest in the literary reputation of his own state, and who has an honest desire to encourage enterprising industry, that will not cheerfully patronize this work? It must, surely, be a work highly interesting to the friends of religion and literature, among ourselves, when they are informed, that the sermons are to be furnished mostly, by clergymen, of different religious denominations, in our own state. Among these, we understand, are the truly excellent and venerable President of our University, Rev. Dr. Joseph Caldwell; Rev. Dr. M'Pheeters, principal of the Raleigh Academy; Rev. Shepherd Kollock, Professor of Rhetoric in the University; Rev. Elisha Mitchell, Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy, in the same; Rev. William Hooper, formerly Professor of Languages in the University, now Rector of St. John's church, Fayetteville; and other clergymen, in North and South-Carolina and Georgia. We do most ardently wish the Rev. compiler that complete success which his talents, industry, piety and zeal, so justly merit. We shall not be disappointed; surely every one, who can afford this small sum, will hasten to manifest his good will by adding his name to the list of subscribers. Z.

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

STATE BANK OF NORTH-CAROLINA, Salisbury Branch.

At a meeting of the Directors of this Bank, on Wednesday, the 29th of January, 1823, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Directors and other Officers of this Branch Bank will wear crepe on the left arm, for the space of thirty days, in testimony of the very great respect which they entertain for the memory of their deceased President, the Hon. Francis Locke.

Resolved, That the foregoing resolutions be published in the Western Carolinian. From the minutes.

JUNIUS SNEED, Cashier.

FOR THE WESTERN CAROLINIAN.

Messrs. Bingham & White.—In one of your late publications, the Trustees of the Western College are reminded that the annual meeting of their body will take place in Lincolnton, on the 2nd Wednesday in February next; to which it is added, "the object is important, and it would be gratifying to have every Trustee attend."

Little, indeed, was it expected, when the first steps were taken to establish and carry into effect the above mentioned college, that any gentleman, so far distinguished by the good sense and high approbation of his fellow-citizens, as to be nominated to serve in that office, and on his part voluntarily accepting the appointment, would ever need the shadow of an excitement, to perform his duty. The board was, on a past occasion, reduced to difficulties arising from the negligence of members. If they show a coldness and backwardness, what will the people think, what will they say? Measures of high importance will certainly be brought forward; and if the members be small, there may be a lack of wisdom and prudence, and the door opened for complaint. And as patriotism and religion are both combined, their friends are invited to attend, to show their countenance, and to give their counsel. It is recommended that the Trustees, and other gentlemen who feel interested in the welfare of the institution, reach Lincolnton on the preceding evening, and take the opportunity of conversing privately and freely on the subject, before they enter on public deliberation; that they make such arrangements, as to have it in their power to take time, and exercise patience.

NOTICE.—The meeting of the managers of the Concord Bible Society is postponed from the second Wednesday in February, until the second Wednesday in March, on account of the meeting of the Trustees of the Western College on the day first appointed.

HUGH NELSON, of Virginia, has been appointed, by the President of the U. States, with the advice and consent of the Senate, to be Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the United States to Spain, in the place of Jons Fox SMITH, who is about to return home. Mr. Nelson has been for many years an able representative in Congress, and we presume his appointment will give general satisfaction, to which his merits justly entitle him.

Washington Republican.

PRINTING PRESS.

The London Courier, of December 9th, says—"A newly invented printing press, called the British and Foreign Printing Machine, was exhibited a few days ago to a numerous body of printers and scientific men, who expressed themselves highly satisfied with its extraordinary powers. It appears admirably calculated for the printing of books, newspapers, and, in fact, for every description of work that can be done by machinery. In velocity of movement it rivals steam printing machines, and far excels them in clearness of impression and goodness of register. Two men and three boys were enabled to print at the rate of 25 sheets in a minute, every impression being remarkably clear and perfect. The Patentee is Mr. T. Miller, of 76, Fleet-street."

A correspondent remarks that the expressions at the Bar will not always bear severe criticism. Mr. Counsellor Gurpey (an elder in the sect of the Baptists) declared himself the other day in Court a born Christian, which reminds our correspondent, he says, of a similar inaccuracy in a lawyer, attempting to intimidate an affirming witness at the Assizes of Carlisle, in the early part of the last century. "Wast thou born a Quaker?" said he to the witness, a plain man by the name of Walker, an ancestor of Mr. Walker, of Bedford-square. "What a question!" said the Quaker, with astonishment: "Wast thou born a lawyer?" This produced a roar of laughter in the Court.

CHINESE WOMEN.—The idolaters of beauty, the Chinese, are forever at the feet of the beings whom they persecute. When any of their wives are indisposed, they fasten a silken thread round her wrist, the cord of which is given to the physician, and it is only by the motion which the pulsation communicates to it that he is allowed to judge of the state of the patient. This precaution of jealousy is almost unique in its kind.

Arrangements of the circuits of the Superior Courts of this state, for the year 1823:

	Spring.	Fall.
Edenton,	Judge Nash,	Donnell,
Newbern,	Donnell,	Badger,
Wilmington,	Norwood,	Daniel,
Raleigh,	Badger,	Norwood,
Hillsborough,	Paxton,	Nash,
Morganton,	Daniel,	Paxton.

FAYETTEVILLE PRICES, Jan. 20.

Cotton, 9 to 10 60; flour, 6 to 7; wheat, 1 10 to 1 25; whiskey, 34; peach brandy, 40; apple brandy, 40; corn, 45 to 50; bacon, 13 cents; molasses, 35 to 38; sugar, muscovado, 8 to 11 dollars per cwt.—loaf, 19 to 25 cents per lb; coffee, 28 to 30; tea, hyson, 1 to 1 25; flax-seed, 30 cents to 1 dol.; tallow, 10 to 11 cts. per lb.

CHARLESTON MARKET, Jan. 20.

Cotton, 11 50; flour, 7 & 8; corn, 60 to 65; coffee, Havana, 26; St. Domingo, 22 & 24; sugar, brown, 7 & 8; Muscovado, 8 & 9; molasses, 23 & 30; salt, Liverpool, 30 & 35; Turke Island, 55 to 60; whiskey, dull at 34 & 35; cotton bagging, 42 & 45, best 42 inch; common, 36 cents; North-Carolina bank bills, 14 & 2 pr. cent. dis.; Georgia do. 35.



MARRIED.

At Murfreesville, by the Rev. William Kinsey, on the 12th ult. Maj. William Murray, to Miss Sarah Ann Ashley, all of Buncombe county.

At Morganton, on the 22d ult. Baker Woodward, Esq. Attorney at Law, to Miss Ann H Tate, both of that place.

Store Houses to Rent, IN CHERAW.

THE subscriber proposes to rent two Store Houses in Cheraw, situated on Market, a few doors from the corner of Front-street. These houses were planned and constructed under the direction of an experienced merchant, and are well calculated for the business of Cheraw, being in the centre of the cotton market.

For terms, apply to the subscriber, at Salisbury, N. C. or to Mr. Ward Cowing, or to Mr. Wilson, of Cheraw.

J. A. PEARSON.

Jan. 18, 1823.—30w2m

P. S. The subscriber will sell, on accommodating terms, either or both the above houses and lots. He also offers for sale several unimproved lots in the town of Cheraw.

J. A. P.

NOTICE.

THE sale of lots laid off on the lands of Letitia Wilson, at Mock's Old Field, in the Forks of the Yadkin River, under a decree of the Court of Equity for Rowan county, having been postponed from August last, until the first of January, 1823, will again be resumed, on the 25th and 26th of February, upon the terms mentioned in a former advertisement, and which will again be made known on the day of sale.

J. A. PEARSON, SAML. JONES, JOHN CLEMENT, HUGH BRALY, ALEX. NESBIT, J. P. CARTER.

Commis- sioners.

NOTICE.

ON Saturday, the 15th of February instant, will be sold, at Mockville, three likely young NEGROES, the property of Giles P. Stamford, deceased. Terms made known on the day of sale.

NATHAN CHAFFIN, Jr. Adm'r.

NOTICE.

THERE will be exposed to public sale, at the late dwelling house of the Hon. Francis Locke, deceased, on the fourth Monday, that is, the 24th day of February, 1823, and continued from day to day until all is sold,—the numerous stock of Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, &c. Grain, of every description; Corn, Wheat, Barley, Rye, and Oats; also, a large quantity of Hay, Fodder, and other roughness; and all the implements of husbandry on said place, wagons, gears, ploughs, &c. with the household and kitchen furniture, two Stills, with the usual quantity of vessels, and apple and peach brandy; also, a Cotton Gin, with all the running works, an excellent screw, and about forty bales of Cotton, pack'd and in prime order; also, a large quantity of pickled Pork. There is also a large library of Books, principally on law, which, if not sold privately previous to the time aforesaid, will on that or some other day during the sale, be exposed to public sale. Besides, there are three other plantations near the above, on which there are large stocks of every kind, grain, roughness, farming utensils, &c. All of which will be exposed to sale during said week, in continuance of the sale, at their respective places, notice of which will be given the day previous, from day to day.

On the last day of sale, will be hired at the late dwelling-house, all the Negroes which, for the present, are not otherwise disposed of by the Will, say about 25 or 40; among which are some prime fellows, women and girls, and the several plantations rented-out, all until the first day of January, 1824.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock on each day, and continue as aforesaid, from day to day, until all is sold.

Twelve months credit, and due attendance will be given by me.

JOHN SCOTT, Executor. Rowan County, N. C. Feb. 1, 1823.—4w42

Elegant Cabinet Furniture.

J. W. BAKER respectfully informs the citizens of Salisbury, and its vicinity, that he has established, a few doors east of the Court-House, a Cabinet Ware Room, where he has received from his factory in Fayetteville, and is now opening, a large and general assortment of Mahogany Furniture, which he will sell on terms to suit the times. Aware that the citizens of Salisbury have been under the necessity of wagoning their furniture a great distance, at considerable hazard of injury, he flatters himself they will find it to their interest to call, as his furniture is all of the latest and most approved fashions.

Salisbury, Feb. 3, 1823.—3w41

Windsor Chair Making.

THE subscribers respectfully inform their friends, and the public at large, that they have associated, under the firm of Grimes & Cooper, for the purpose of carrying on the above business in all its branches. They are well prepared to make all kinds of Windsor and Fancy Chairs, from \$12 to \$120 per set. Gentlemen wishing elegant chairs, or settees, may rely upon having them as elegantly made at the shop of the subscribers, as at any other in the State. Old chairs and seats repaired, at a reasonable rate, and on short notice.

The subscribers are also completely prepared, with a good stock of timber, to make all kinds of Bedsteads, at from \$5 to \$25.

GEO. W. GRIMES, JOHN COOPER.

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Sign, Coach, and House PAINTING.

GEO. W. GRIMES begs leave to inform the citizens of Salisbury, and the surrounding country, that he still continues to execute all kinds of house, sign, coach, and ornamental painting. Having procured an ample supply of materials, and having, for a number of years past, devoted almost his whole attention to acquire a competent knowledge of this branch of business, he feels confident of being able to give satisfaction to those who may be pleased to favor him with orders in the above line. Gilding and Glazing will also be executed in a neat manner, and on reasonable terms. He also keeps on hand, for sale, copal and Japan Varnish.

Wanted, as an apprentice to the above business, one or two lads, from 15 to 16 years of age, of steady and industrious habits; to whom, if they prove themselves deserving of it, a good chance will be given.

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Five Cents Reward.

ON the 19th instant, absconded from the subscriber, James Milton Lee, an apprentice bound to the subscriber by the County Court of Mecklenburg, to learn the carpenter and cabinet business. Said apprentice is about eighteen years of age, five feet 10 or 11 inches high, and of fair complexion. I hereby forewarn all persons from harboring or supplying said apprentice, as the law will certainly be enforced against those who may transgress in this respect. The above reward will be paid on delivery of said apprentice to the subscriber, near Steel-Creek Meeting-House, Mecklenburg county, N. C.

DAVID M'KNIGHT.

Jan. 29, 1823.—3w41

Doct. Long,

INFORMS the public, that he has removed from his former residence, and now occupies the buildings on Main-street, in Salisbury, immediately opposite the Bank; where he has on hand a large supply of Medicines, and is ready to attend upon all applications, in the different branches of Physic, Surgery, and Midwifery.

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Dr. Stewart Bosworth,

HAVING purchased Doct. Berk-ett's Medical Establishment, and settled himself in Salisbury, and offers his services, in the various branches of his profession, to the citizens of this place and its vicinity. His shop is one door east of Mr. Slaughter's tavern, on Main-street.

Salisbury, Jan. 28, 1823.—38w

Notice.

THE subscriber being about to remove to Raleigh, requests those who are indebted to him to call and settle their accounts.—Those who have claims will please to present them.

JOHN BECKWITH.

Salisbury, Jan. 28, 1823.—38

M'iver's Register.

A FEW copies of the Rev. C. M'iver's North-Carolina Register and United States' Calendar, for 1823, for sale at the office of the West-ern Carolinian,—price 40 cents.