

FROM THE (FORTHMOOT, N. H.) SHACK.

THE HOPE OF THE WICKED AND JUST.

The hope of the wicked— A moment shall blast it, When the breath of Jehovah In wrath has o'erpass'd it: Like the smoke that the winds in their fury are lashing...

DELTA.

Low in the vale, where a streamlet ran, And under a tree reclined, A pilgrim measured the wit of a man, By thinking on womankind.

FROM THE WASHINGTON REPUBLICAN.

Crawford is looking up, quoth Jack: True, Bill replies.....'he's on his back.'

FROM THE UNITED STATES GAZETTE.

Whipping the Devil around a Stump.

In the county of Northampton, state of Pennsylvania, there is a little retailer of grog (spirituous liquors) who has been fined by the proper authority, for selling by the gill, or half pint, without license.

Now! In order to evade the law, he applies to the tin-merchant who happened to be there, for advice to help him out of the scrape.

The Tin-Merchant, for the price of a week's board, soon taught our retailer what to do—indeed, what is it that a tin-trader can't do?

They put their heads together, and made a tin tube exactly one yard in length, and of the thickness to hold one pint of rum. This they marked off 1-2 yard, 3-4 yard, and half 1-4—just as pedlars of tape and calico have their yard sticks marked off. Now, when a traveller steps in to 'wet his whistle,' he civilly says, 'Mister Landlord, I'd thank ye for about 1-2 a yard, or 1-4—just according to the length of the 'Red Lane'.....length of throat. No sooner said, than done,—the landlord, with solemn step, moves on, and reaches down, from behind his bottles, the tin yard tube and measures out 1-2 a yard, or 1-4, as the case may be, of the wet stuff of the 'O! be joyful.' The traveller sends it down the red lane, vulgarly called—drinks it, pays down the cash; and travels away. Friend Printer, if this is not 'whipping the Devil around a stump,' I don't know what is.

N. B. The New-England folks have a saying, that three Philadelphia Lawyers are a match for the very Devil himself, and that they are able to unravel any knotty point, let it be ever so hard. Now, I would just civilly ask such three Lawyers, whether this man, who sells rum by the yard, instead of by the gill, or half pint as the law says, can be fined or not fined? A 1000 dollar fee will be given.

In conclusion, we will inform, that the business has become so profitable, that the tin-merchant and the tavern keeper have entered into a co-partnership. Indeed! their custom increases so fast, that the firm begin already to hold up their heads, and talk big—talk very strongly of taking out a patent—so that I would advise our wise ones in Congress, to keep a good look out when these sellers of rum, by the yard, come to the City of Washington, for their patent.—Easton, Pa. Feb. 25.

A meeting of the Members of the Legislature of Virginia, favourable to the election of Mr. Clay as President of the United States, was held at Richmond on the 8th inst. The number present is not stated. An Electoral Ticket was agreed upon, and two gentlemen appointed to frame a suitable address to the people of Virginia, which is published in the Richmond Phenix, of the 11th inst.

EDITORIAL ARCANA.

No condition in life is without its evils—no station in society free from perplexities. The rich are harassed with the cares of accumulation and preservation—the poor are disturbed by actual want or prospective misery. Those in authority dread the loss of power—and those in subjection languish with envy. All this, the moralist will inform us, arises from the imperfection of human nature. May be it is so. But of all situations among civilized mortals, not even excepting the school master, or the parish priest, no one deserves so little envy as that of a newspaper editor. He, poor drudge, is supposed to possess neither a will of his own nor the smallest portion of sensibility. His readers, with two or three hundred, or perhaps as many thousand different tastes, expect a constant and uniform application to each of those tastes, of as many multifarious and high-spiced relishes. Ever varying appetite must be duly excited and satisfied. Sentimental misses long for poetry—dandies crave the latest fashions—politicians fatten on battles and revolutions—witwombs want anecdotes—censors snap at editorial paragraphs—gossips devour scandal—merchants derive sustenance from ship-news, and hypochondriacs from deaths—id maids and bachelors smack their parchment abia over the marriages—weatherwise look out for squalls, and pinchfists and pickpockets for the state of the stocks—and so on, cum multis aliis—ad infinitum.

Nantucket Inquirer.

The Anaconda.—The Baltimore Morning Chronicle states, that Dr. Ayres has lately brought home from our African colony, a serpent of the Anaconda species, which frequently grow to so extraordinary a size as to swallow tigers, lions and oxen, whole, after strangling them. The Doctor is said to have seen one of these monsters, the dead body of which was found among the rocks of Messurado, that measured 56 feet long. Sheep and goats belonging to the colony, had been frequently missed, which is attributed to the presence of this unwelcome visitor.

Trade with the African Colony.—We have been frequently asked what are the articles of trade brought from the Colony at Messurado, and have ascertained that they consist principally of Elephants' Teeth, said to be of superior quality—of rice, and also of hides of various animals, generally very small, particularly those of the Ox. There can be little doubt, but that, in the course of a few years, a very extensive and profitable trade will be carried on between this country and that part of Africa settled by emigrants from the United States. Balt. Morn. Chronicle.

The Moravians.—The distinguished zeal of the Unitas Fratrum in propagating the Gospel amongst the Heathen Nations, and especially to the wretched natives of our own Forests, has been long known and duly estimated by the Christian World. We have lately learned, that the Females of this benevolent Society at Salem, in this State, about two years ago, formed themselves into a Society, for extending the blessings of the Gospel to the coloured population in that part of the country. For this purpose, a Meeting-House was built, in which Religious Service is performed once a fortnight by the Rev. Abraham Steiner, a venerable Minister of the Moravian Church. The fruits of these exertions, are, at present, we understand, a regular and orderly Church of from 50 to 80 members, among whom are 3 communicants and 10 baptized adults. So that the pious work of these benevolent females will, in time, no doubt be rewarded.—Raleigh Register.

From the New-York Patriot.

In the debate which recently took place in the Pennsylvania Legislature, on the bill for taxing bachelors, the epithet of "wretched beings" was applied by some of the married gentlemen; when a sturdy old bachelor said he scorned the epithet, and "would rather have a pair of leather breeches forced upon him, and be set to hatching eggs, than to be married as some men were married." Mr. Wise thought bachelors pretty well taxed already; he read a section of the tax law, showing that cows, hogs, horses, single freemen without occupation, geese and geldings, were enumerated as taxables.

THE CAUCUS.....again?

Extract of a letter to the Editor of the Charleston Mercury, dated Washington, Feb. 20, 1824.

The following table will show the remarkable fact, that at the late Crawford Caucus, there were only 8 members of the house of representatives present from 20 states.

Table with columns: State, Senators, Representatives, Present, Absent. Lists states like Maine, N. Hampshire, Massachusetts, Vermont, New Jersey, Delaware, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Louisiana, Missouri, Alabama, Mississippi, Rhode-Island, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Maryland, S. Carolina, New-York, Virginia, N. Carolina, Georgia.

24 States. Total present, 66. In favor of the Caucus, 55.

Deputy Hall and Tatnall, (Proxies) Majority against the Caucus, or who were absent from the Caucus, 127.

By this statement which you may depend on as accurate in all its parts, it is manifest that there were fifteen states which had not a single member of the House of Representatives present. There were twenty states which, taken together, had only eight Representatives present. There were three states, viz. Virginia, North-Carolina and New-York, who had a majority of the whole Caucus. And I will add, there were at least eighteen of the members of the Caucus, who voted for Mr. Crawford in opposition to the known wishes of the states they represent. I will mention as an example, the members from Maine, New-Jersey, Ohio, Illinois, South-Carolina and Pennsylvania.

The vote given to Gen. Jackson in the Caucus, is claimed by Mr. Markley, of Pennsylvania; the two votes given for Mr. Adams by two of the members from New-York, Messrs. Tyson and Frost; and the vote for Mr. Macon, by Arthur Smith, of Virginia. All the rest of the members present, must therefore have voted for Mr. Crawford. It will be for the people to say what weight is due to such a meeting as this—one thing is certain, it is unexampled.

NEWSPAPERS.

It has been ascertained by the Postmaster General, that there are 599 newspapers published in the United States, viz:

Table with columns: State, Number of Newspapers. Lists states like Maine, N. Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Vermont, New-York, New-Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, N. Carolina, S. Carolina, Louisiana, Michigan, Dist. Columbia, Total 599.

This number is ascertained, with the town or village in which each paper is published. There are probably a few scattering papers not yet reported to the Department.

YOUNG NAPOLEON.

Young Napoleon is not permitted to accompany his imperial mother to her palace at Parma; his residence is fixed at Schoenbrunn, near Vienna, where, previously to his entering that capital, Buonaparte first saw the portrait of Maria Louisa.

Laws of North-Carolina.

An Act authorizing certain limitations of Slaves by deed or writing.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That every limitation, by deed or writing, of a slave or slaves, hereafter made, which limitation is contained in a last will or testament be good and effectual as an executory devise or bequest, shall be, and is hereby declared to be a good and effectual limitation in remainder of such slave or slaves.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That any limitation made or reserved to the grantor, vendor or donor, in any such deed or writing of a slave or slaves, shall be good and effectual in law: Provided, such limitation, had it been made to another person, would be good and effectual, according to the first section of this act.

III. Be it further enacted, That all

such deeds or writings shall be witnessed, proved and registered, as other written conveyances of slaves are or may be by law required to be witnessed, proved and registered.

An Act to authorize the payment of money to Clerks of Courts of Record, in certain cases.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful for the Defendant or Defendants against whom any final judgment or decree for the payment of money shall or may be rendered or made, by any Court of record in this State, to pay the whole or any part of the judgment or decree to the Clerk of the Court in which said judgment or decree shall or may be rendered or made, at any time after the rendering of such judgment, or the making of such decree, although no execution shall or may have issued to enforce the payment of such judgment or decree; and such payment of money shall be as good and available to the party making the same, as if made to the Sheriff or other legal officer, under and by virtue of an execution issued on such judgment or decree.

II. And be it further enacted, That the Clerks of Courts of record to whom any money shall or may be paid to satisfy in whole or in part, any final judgment or decree, shall pay the same to the party or parties entitled to receive the same, under the same rules and penalties as if the same had been paid into his office, under and by virtue of an execution issued on such final judgment or decree.

An Act concerning the public land in the county of Haywood.

Be it enacted, &c. That the erecting a building or buildings on the public lands in the county of Haywood, reserved by the commissioners, under an act of Assembly passed in the year 1819, Chapter 997, and the cutting or removing timber from, or cultivating the said land, shall be, and they are hereby made indictable offences, in the Inferior and Superior Courts of said county, and punishable by fine at the discretion of the Court before which the conviction takes place.

II. Be it further enacted, That whenever any person or persons shall be in possession of any part of said land, it shall be the duty of the Sheriff of Haywood county, and he is hereby requested, to give notice in writing to such person or persons, commanding them to depart therefrom forthwith; and if such person or persons in possession, upon being so notified, shall not, within two weeks after the time of notice, remove therefrom, the Sheriff is hereby empowered and required to remove him, her or them, immediately; and, if it shall be necessary, to summon his posse comitatus to aid and assist him in so doing.

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Solicitor of Haywood county, to give this act in charge to the Grand Jury, at each and every term of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions held for said county.

An Act to appoint Commissioners to view and lay out a Road from Salisbury to Beattie's Ford, on the Catawba.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That Alexander Torrence and Hugh Brawly, be, and they are hereby appointed Commissioners to view and lay off a public road from Salisbury to Beattie's Ford, on the Catawba river, on the best ground the intervening country will afford; and the said Commissioners shall certify two fair plats of the road so laid off and marked by them, and file one in each of the Courts of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Rowan and Iredell counties, and when thus certified and filed, the said Courts shall appoint overseers on said road in their respective counties, and it shall be opened and kept up as other public roads.

II. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioners shall each receive two dollars per day during the time they are employed in laying out said road, which shall be paid them by the County Trustee of their respective counties.

An Act for the relief of Female Debtors.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this act, no female whatever shall be imprisoned for debt; any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Morganton Female Academy.

This Institution will continue the current year under the management of the Rev. Channcy Eddy, Mrs. Eddy, and Miss Parkman, the same as the last year. The discipline and course of studies are the same as those adopted in the most approved seminaries of New England and New-York. The first quarter of the present year has already commenced, but admission can be obtained at any time, and the bills will be made out from the time of admission. As the object of the institution is the intellectual and religious improvement of the young Ladies, the Instructors feel themselves bound to exercise an attentive guardianship, in degrading amusements, and to direct their attention to such things as are calculated to refine the manners, enlarge the mind and improve the heart. Good boarding can be obtained, either at the Academy, with the Instructors, or in the immediate vicinity, at the rate of eighty dollars per year. Terms, \$6 25 per quarter; or \$3, when instruction in Painting is not required; payable at the end of each quarter. Morganton, Feb. 21, 1824. 499

House of Entertainment.

The subscriber informs his friends and the public in general, that he has opened a House of Entertainment in the Town of Concord, a few rods south-east of the court-house; where, with unremitting attention, and a desire to please, he hopes to merit a share of public patronage. Boarding can be had on reasonable terms, by the week or year. JAMES H. CLARK. N. B. He has also received, a large and elegant assortment of new GOODS. Concord, March 4, 1824. 96

State of North-Carolina, MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

COURT of Equity, Samuel Roach, vs. Hugh McDowell, James Moore, Andrew Heron, and others. In this case, it is ordered that publication be made for six weeks in the Western Carolinian that unless James Moore and Andrew Heron, two of the defendants in this case, appear at the next Court of Law and Equity to be held for the county of Mecklenburg on the 6th Monday after the 4th Monday in March next, and answer or the bill will be taken pro confesso, and heard ex parte, as to them. D. R. DUNLAP, c. n. e. Price adv. \$2. 104

State of North-Carolina, CABARRUS COUNTY.

COURT of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, January Term, 1824: David Bradshaw vs. John S. M'Curdy; original attachment, levied on lands. It appearing to the court that the defendant in this case is not an inhabitant of this State, it is therefore ordered, that publication be made three months in the Western Carolinian, giving notice to said defendant to appear at the next Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions to be held for said county, at the court-house in Concord, on the third Monday of April next, to reply, plead, or demur, otherwise judgment final will be entered up against him, and execution awarded accordingly. Test: M. HUNT, c. n. e. Price adv. \$2. 104

State of North-Carolina, BUNCOMBE COUNTY.

COURT Court, January term, 1824: Job Alexander and Robert Erwin, executors of William Beattie, to the use of John M. Thomas, vs. William Brittain and Margaret Beattie, executor and executrix of Walter Beattie. It appearing to the satisfaction of the court, that the personal estate of the testator in the hands of his executor and executrix, is insufficient to satisfy the judgment in this case: ordered, that publication be made in the Western Carolinian three weeks, giving notice to William Hall and Matilda his wife, David K. Beattie, Walter L. Beattie, and Jane Beattie, heirs at law of the said Walter Beattie, dec'd.; (who are not inhabitants of this State) to appear at a county court to be held for Buncombe county, at the court-house in Asheville, on the second Monday after the 4th Monday in March next, then and there to shew cause, if any they may have, why execution should not issue against the real estate of the said Walter Beattie, dec'd. to satisfy the judgment in this case. Test: JOHN MILLER, c. n. e. Price adv. \$1 75. 100

State of North-Carolina, BUNCOMBE COUNTY.

SUPERIOR Court of Law, fall term, 1823. Job Alexander and Robert Erwin, executors of William Beattie, vs. William Brittain and Margaret Beattie, executor and executrix of Walter Beattie, dec'd. It appearing to the satisfaction of the court, that there is not personal estate to satisfy the judgment obtained in this case, and that William Hall and Matilda his wife, David K. Beattie, Walter L. Beattie, and Jane Beattie, heirs at law of the said Walter Beattie, reside without the limits of this State: it is ordered, that publication be made three weeks in the Western Carolinian, giving notice to the said heirs to appear at a Superior Court of Law to be held for Buncombe county, at the court-house, on the second Monday after the 4th Monday in March next, then and there to shew cause, if any they may have, why execution should not issue against the real estate of the said Walter Beattie, dec'd. to satisfy this judgment. Test: ROBERT HENRY, CL. Price adv. \$1 75. 100

State of North-Carolina, WILKES COUNTY.

SUPERIOR Court, in Equity. Waugh and Finley, vs. Charles P. Gordon, Zachariah H. Gordon, James H. Gordon, George W. Gordon, Thomas T. Nappier and Rebecca his wife, John Brown and Mary his wife, and Sarah Gordon: Original bill, and bill of injunction. It appearing to the satisfaction of the court, that the defendants are the inhabitants of another state, ordered, therefore, that publication be made in the Western Carolinian for six weeks, requiring the said defendants to appear at the next Court of Equity, to be held for the county of Wilkes, at the court-house in Wilkesboro', on the second Monday in September next, and plead, answer or demur to said bill; or judgment pro confesso will be taken, and the same set for hearing ex parte. O. BARRETT, c. n. e. Price adv. \$2. 100

Writing Paper,

FOR sale at this office, by the ream; foolscap at three dollars, and pot at two dollars and fifty cents, per ream.