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From the Tarborough Free Press. A PICTURE OF THE TIMES IN TOWN.

"These are dull times," sayeth the Merchant. The genious of business has fled, To the tomb of departed things drear ; Our market looks gloomy-nay, dead, But how looks the merchant? Oh, dear, Sad enough.

He steps to the door and peeps out, Despondency marks his sad look; In the place of a smile there's a pout, There's no entry to-day on his book, 'Tis very discouraging.

He looks up the street and looks down, Through the vista of buildings to see, If there be a debtor in town, But, a matron with poultry sees he, Padling towards him.

Ay, a matron with poultry to sell, For "sweetening, cape, truck and cap;"
"Do ye want to buy chickens, my friend?" " No, 'tis not the right sort o' pap, " I prefer money-

" So away with your poultry," says he, "With chickens my debts I can't pay ;" "Y'u can sell um again, Sir," says she, "Umph! away with your poultry, I say, "I'm no chicken merchant."

She wheels round and bids him " good bye," And homeward she tramps out o' heart ; The merchant he heaves a deep sigh, But, he cheers up, for here comes a cart After salt, may be.

The said cart arrives in a trice, The driver he greets with a smile; He shakes his rough paw once or twice, And they chat about farming awhile, But not long-

For the booky has no tongue for chat-" Dont ye want some sweet taturs," says he, " I will take a jewsharp and a hat, If ye'll take all my taturs-will ye ?" " No, I dont want 'em."

Now his prospect for selling o' salt, Is thus at once blighted-alas! The lad in his tumbril doth vault. And homeward he harries his ass, With all his taturs.

With fury the merchant doth rave, With chagrin he's fit to despair; He wishes himself in his grave, But recents, but here comes the fair, To trade, no doubt.

They enter his store in a group, All garnished like goddesses gay; The merchant he makes a low stoop,\* With "what can I sell you to-day, Sweet lacies ?"

" Have you any thread edging, dear Sir ?" " Indeed have I, madam-oh, yes ;" " Is it fine? for fine we prefer"-"I can suit ye, sweet ladies, I guess."

Steps about most gracefully. He exhibits his thread edging fine, And in it he takes a great pride. But, "this, Sir, is not the right kind, " It's entirely too coarse and too wide :"

And they walk out. Enraged, he stamps the hard floor, And rips out a sweet oath or two;

" I've a great mind to shut up my store, For this is poor business, 'twont do, I shall perish. But again, Sir, he steps to the door, With barely a hope in his heart;

But now his repinings are o'er, They're removed by the sight of a cart, Going after herrings. The cart at his door doth halt.

And out pops a grey headed dad: "I want, Sir, a bushel o' salt, For corning o' herrings and shad : How do you sell it ?" "I sell it at eight shillings pay ;"

Can't ye take no less. Sir, than that?" "No"-" Oh you can"-" I cannot, I say"-"Well, I have some av it. by rat-I'll take a peck."

He measures the salt, and shuts up his store, Tis night, for the sun's flown away; So twenty cents cash, and not a cent more, is the amount of his sales for to-day : Tis poor business. A low bow.

To the Editors of the Sentinel.

GENTLEMEN-I send you the folyour readers, which, if you think worthy a place in your paper, you will please publish.—Should the puzzle bafflle the efforts of those of your readers who may undertake to expound it, I shall myself embrace some future opportunity to do so.

I am a derivative word of seven letters, and can or ought to be beneficial to any

My 2d and 6th are alike. My 1st, 2d, 3d and 7th, is a rent, My 1st, 3d and 7th is a seaman, My 5th, 6th and 7th belong only to a female.

My 2d, 3d and 7th is the power of judging o My 2d and 7th taken out, leave me a button,

My 1st, 2d and 3d is a plant found in China. My 1st, 3d and 7th transposed, is a small ani-

My 1st, 3d, 5th and 7th transposed, is a large animal.

My lat. 3d, 4th and 7th transposed, accompamy criminals to execution.

1st 3d, 6th and 7th transposed is a weed, round substance.

My 3d. 4th, 6th and 7th transposed, is a con My 1st, 2d, 3d and 5th transposed, denotes

pimples in the face. Now I am what I am and too much neglected, Can you tell what I am and not be affected! If without trouble you should find me out, Think not that your time is badly laid out.



BY AUTHOLITY.

By the President of the United States of America.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, a Convention between the United States of America an His Majesty the King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, was concluded and signed by their Plenipotentiaries, at London, on the sixth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven, which Convention is, word for word, as follows :

The United States of America, and His Me jesty the King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, being equally desirous to prevent, as far as possible, all hazard of misunderstanding between the two nations. with respect to the territory on the North West Coast of America, west of the Stoney or Rocky Mountains, after the expiration of the Third Article of the Convention concluded b-tween them on the 20th of October, 1818; and, also, with a view to give further time for maturing measures which shall have for their object a more definite settlement of the claims of each party to the said Territory, have respectively named their Plenipotentiaries to treat and agree concerning a temporary renewal of the said Article, that is to say :

The President of the United States of America, Albert Gallatin. their Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to His

Britannic Majesty. And His Majesty the King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the Right Honorable Charles Grant, a member of His said Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, a member of Parliament, and Vice President of the Committee of Privy Council for Affairs of Trade and European Planta tions ; and Henry Unwin Addington Esquire Who, after having communicated to each other their respective full powers, found to be in due and proper form, have agreed upor and concluded the following articles:

ART. 1. All the provisions of the third art cle of the Convention concluded between the United States of America, and his Majesty the King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, on the 20th of October, 1815 shall be, and they are, hereby, further indefi nitely extended and continued in force, in the same manner as if all the provisions of the said Article were herein specifically recited.

ART. 2. It shall be competent, however, to either of the contracting parties, in case either should think fit, at any time after the 20th of October, 1828, on giving due notice of twelve months to the other contracting party, to an nul and abrogate this Convention; and it shall in such case, be accordingly entirely annulled and abrogated, after the expiration of the said term of notice.

ART. 3. Nothing contained in this Convention, or in the Third Article of the Convention of the 20th October, 1818, hereby continued in force, shall be continued to impair, or in any manner affect, the claims which either of the contracting parties may have to any part of the country westward of the Stoney or Rocky Mountains.

ART. 4. The present Convention shall be ratified, and the ratifications shall be exchanged in nine months, or sooner, if possible.

In witness whereof, the respective Plenipotentiaries have signed the same, and have affixed thereto the seals of their arms. Done at London, the sixth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight

hundred and twenty-seven. ALBERT GALLATIN. CH RLES GRANT.

HENRY UNWIN ADDINGTON.

And whereas, the said Convention has been duly ratified on both parts, and the respective time to time, be prescribed, jointly by the ratifications of the same were exchanged at presiding officers of the two Houses of Con-London, on the second day of April, one thousand eight hundred and twen y-eight, by William Beach Lawrence. Charge d' Affaires of pitol, its appurtenances, and the enclosures athe United States at the Court of His Britannic Majesty, and the Right Honorable Charles in its immediate vicinity, as are not in the ex-Grant and Henry Unwin Addington, Esquire. on the part of their respective Governments.

Now, herefore, be it known that I, John Quincy Adams, President of the United States of America, have caused the said Convention lowing extract for the amusement of to be made public, to the end that the same and every clause and article thereof, may be observed and fulfilled with good faith, by the United States and the citizens thereof.

In witness whereof. I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight,

and of the Independence of the United

States the fifty-second. JOHN QUINCY ADAMS. v the President :

H. CLAY, Secretary of State. Laws of the United States passed at the Firs Session of the Twentieth Congress.

No. 22.

AN ACT to authorize the cancelling of a Bond,

therein mentioned. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Re-presentatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Clerk of the sixth Circuit Court of the United States for the District of Georgia, be and he is hereby, authorized and required to cancel a certain Bond, given in pursuance of the decree of the said Court, for the exportation, beyond the limits of the United States, of sundry African negroes, My 1st, 2d, 3 , 5,h and 7th transposed, is a parcel of the cargo of the Spanish vessel called

by their Attorney, and Joseph Cummings, and Francis Sorrell, and acknowledged by them on Marshal of the Georgia District, in the penalty and conditional for the exportation of the slaves aforesaid.

A. STEVENSON, Speaker of the House of Representatives, J C CALHOUN. Vice President of the United States, and President of the Senate. Approved-2d May, 1828. JOHN QUINCY ADAMS.

No. 23.

AN ACT making a supplementary appropriation for the military service of the year one thousend eight hundred and twenty right. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Re-Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum in the Treasury not othe wise appropriated. of one hundred thousand dollars, for the irmament of fortifications

Sec. 2 And be it further enacted, That the Quartermaster General be, and he is hereby, authorized to apply the sum of eighteen hundred dollars of the money heretofore appropriated for the Quartermaster's Department, to the confirmation and completion of the parcha e of thirty acres of land, near the city of Savarnah, in Georgia; which purchase was conditionally made by Lieutenant C. A. Write, for the purpose of erecting barracks for the United States.

Approved-2d May, 1828.

No. 24.

AN ACT making appropriations for the Pub-

lic Buildings, and for other purposes. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums of money be, and the same hereby are, appropriated to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the following purposes: that is to say-

For the cost of a building lot, and other expenditures for the Jail at Alexandria, one thousand six hundred and ninety-nine dollars For the completion of the Penitentiary in

the District of Columbia, twenty-two thousand three hundred and eighty-seven dollars and ninety-seven cents; For defraying the expense of a building, near the Navy Department, twelve hundred

and sixty-one dellars and eighteen cents; For an entrance and door-way into the Capitol, from the top of the to rrace on the wes tern front, three thousand one hundred and

twenty-one dollars and ten cents Sec. 2 And be it further enacted, That the Commissioner of the fublic Buildings he, and he hereby is, authorized and empowered to be caused to be built an Eugine-house, for the accommodation of the Franklin Engin Company, under suitable conditions to scure the faithful performance of the work, and to procure an Hydraulion Engine and the requisite appurtenances of the same; and that the sum of three thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropria-

ted, to defray the expense of the same. Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That from and after the fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine, the office of Architect of the Capitol shall cease and determine; and that the said Architect shall on said day deliver up to the Commissioner of the Public Buildings all the books, plans, accounts. vouchers, and all other papers and things he longing to his office; and the said commission er shall take charge of, and superintend the Public Buildings, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by law; and that the said commissioner be required to re-

side near the Capitol. ec. 4 And be it further enaded, That the regulations of the City of Washington, for the preservation of the public peace and order, be extended to the Capitol and Capitol square. whenever the application of the same shall be requested by the presiding officer of either House of Congress, or the Commissioner of the Public Buildings; and that it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of the Public Buildings to obey such rules and regulations as may, from gress, for the care, preservation, orderly keeping, and police of all such portions of the Cabout it and the public buildings and property clusive use and occupation of either House of Congress; that it shall also be his duty to obey such rules and regulations as may be. from time to time, prescribed by the presiding officer of either House of Congress, for the care, preservation, orderly leeping, and police, of those portions of the Capitol and its appurtenances, which are in the exclusive use and occupation of either House of Congress respectively; and that it shall also be his duty to obey such rules and regulations as may, from time to time be prescribed by the Presi-Done at the City of Washington, this fifteenth | dent of the United States, for the care, preseric Buildings and public property, in the City of Washington; and the Compissioner and his assistants are hereby authorized and em powered to use all necessary and proper means for the discharge of the aforesaid duties; and the necessary assistants of the Commissioner shall receive a reasonable compensation for their services, te be allowed by the presiding fficers of the two Houses of Congress; one moiety of the said sum to be paid out of the contingent fund of the Senate, and the other moiety to be paid out of the contingent fund of the House of Representatives. Approved-2d May, 1828.

No. 25.

AN ACT to authorize the purchase and distribution of the seventh volume of the Laws of the U ited States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of Ameri- higher duties on tonnage, or on their cargoes, ca in Congress assembled, That the Secretary as aforesaid, than are imposed on American the Antelope, or Ramires, which bond was for the Department of State be, and he is here- Vessels, and on like cargoes imported in A. E. by Capt, Sterting of H. M. Ship Success.

executed by Cuesta Manzanal and brothers, by, authorized and directed to subscribe for, and receive, for the use and disposal of Congress, five hundred and fifty copies of the sethe twenty-fourth December, one thousand venth volume of the Laws of the United States, eight hundred and twenty-seven, before the to contain an index to the same, to be well bound; and cause to be distributed. one copy of fourteen thousand eight hundred dollars, thereof to the President of the United States, one copy to the Vice President of the United States one copy to each of the Heads of Depar ments; to the Attorney General of the U. nited States, to each of the Senators and Representatives, and to each Delegate of Territories of the I wentieth Congress; fifteen copies to the Secretary of the Senate, for the use of the Senate, and thirty copies to the Clerk of the House of Representatives, for the use of that House; one copy to each branch of the Legislature of each State and Territory ; and one copy to each of the Executives of the several States and Territories; and cause the residue to be deposited in the Library of Con-

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted That, for presentatives of the United States of America in the purpose aforesaid, the sum of two thousand Congress assembled, That there is herely ap- two hundred dollars be and the same is herepropriated, to be paid out of any money in the by, appropriated, to be paid out of any money Approved-9th May, 1828.

No. 26.

AN ACT making appropriations for the Indian Department, for the year one thousand eight

hundred and twenty-eight. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Reresentatives of the United States of America, Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropria

ted, to wit : For pay of the Superintendent of Indian Af fairs at St. Louis, and the several Indian Agents, as authorized by law, thirty-one thousand dollars :

For the pay of Sub-Agents, as established by law. fifteen thousand one hundred dollars : For presents to Indians, as authorized by act of one thousand eight hundred and two, fifteen

thousand dollars: For houses for sub-agents, interpreters, and blacksmiths' at Peoria and loway sub-agencies; expenses of emigrating Indians; claims of Delawares, for horses taken by white men ; holding councils for settlement of differences For completing the work remaining to be among Indian tribes, &c. within the superinten done, on or about the Public Buildings, fifty. dency of General Clark, as estimated for by six thousand four hundred dollars and eight him, fourteen thousand three hundred and twenty-four dollars.

> For additional expense arising out of the recently extended intercourse with the Indians within the Michigan Territory, and the es ablishment of a new sub-agency therein, for the Chippewas, high up Lake Superior, at La Point or Michael's Island, as recommended by Governor Cass, five thousand dollars:

> For additional expense at the Red River Agency, on account of the removal of the Quapaws, and attaching them to that agency, a greeably to the late treaty with them, one thousand three hundred dollars:

For expense attending Indian Agency, established under the late treaty with the Creek nation, and an act of Congress of twentieth May, one thousand eight hundred and twentysix, four thousand five hundred dollars: For aiding the emigration of the Creek In-

dians, providing for them for the period of twelve months after their emigration, and for rendering them such assistance as the President of the United States may think proper in their agricultural operations, for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of the ex isting treaty with the Creek nation of Indians, having relation to the aforesaid objects, fifty thousand dollars :

And the sum of fifty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated to enable the Fresident of the United States to carry into effect the articles of agreement and cession, entered into on the twenty-fourth of April, one thousand eight hundred and two, between the United States and the State of Georgia, which sum of money, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be applied under the direction of the President of the United States, to the extinguishment of the claims of the Cherokee Indians, to all the lands which they occupy within the limits of the said State ;

For contingencies of Indian Department, ninety five thousand dollars;

For refunding to the State of North-Caroli na the amount expended by her in extinguishing the title of certain Indians of the Cherokee tribe, to eservations of land within the I mits of said State, granted to them in fee simple, by treaties with the United States, in the years one thousand eight hundred and seventeen and one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, the sum of twenty two thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the several sums hereby appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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No. 27.

AN ACT to authorize a Rail Road within the

Di trict of Columbia. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the assent of Congress to the constructing a Rail Road by a Company Incorporated by the Legislature of Maryland, from Baltimore to the City of Washington, be and the same is hereby given to the extent that Congress has jurisdiction of the soil over which it may pass; conceding to said Company to exact such tolls, and to enjoy such benefits and privileges, as the act of incorporation of the State of Maryland gives to said Corporation within the limits of the State of Maryland; Provided, in the location of the Road it shall not be lawful for said Company to pass through any of the reserved squares or open spaces of the City without the consent of grass, and leaves the young plant in every re-

Approved-9th May, 1828.

No. 28.

AN ACT regulating commercial intercourse with the Islands of Martinique and Guada-

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Re-presentatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all French Vessels, coming directly from the Islands of Martinique and Guadaloupe, and laden with articles the growth or manufacture of said Islands, and thers, named Silva, were drowned which are permitted to be exported therefrom in American vessels, may be admitted into the Ports of the United States on payment of po

merican Vessels: Provided, that if the President of the United States shall, at any time, receive satisfactory information that the priv. letes allowed to American Vessels and their carg es at said Islands, by the French ordinauce of February ofth, one thousand eight hendred and twenty-six have been revoked or annulied, he is hereby authorized, by Priclamation, to suspend the operation of this act, and withhold all privileges allowed under it. Approved-9th May, 1828.

No. 29.

AN ACT supplementary to "an act to provide for the adjustment of claims of persons enti-tled to indemnification, under the first article of the treaty of Ghent, and for the distribution among such claimants, of the sum paid, and to be paid, by the Government of Great Britain, under a convention between the United States and his Britannic M jesty concluded at London, on the thirteenth of November, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six," passed on the second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the eighth section of the aforesaid ac shall be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Commission created by the said act, shall not continue after the first day of September next. Approved-9th May, 1928.

No. 30.

AN ACT for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the army of the Revolu-

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That each of the surviving officers of the a my of the Revolution, in the Continental Line, who was entitled to half pay by the Resolve of October twenty-first, seventeen hundred and eighty, be authorized to receive, out of any money in the Treasury, hot otherwise appropriated, the amount of his full pay in said line, according to his rank in the line, to begin on the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty six, and to continue during his natural lile: Provided, I hat under this act, no officer shall be entitled to receive a larger sum than the full pay of a cape

ain in said iine. Dec 2 And be it further enacted, That whenever any of said officers has received money of the United States, as a pensioner, side the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty six aloresaid, the sum so received shall be deducted from what said officer would, otherwise, be entitled to, under the first section of this act; and every pension to which said officer is now entitled shall cease after the

passage of this act. Sec. 3. And be it further enacted. That every surviving non-commissioned officer, musician, or private, in said army, who enlisted therein for and during the war, and continued in its service until its termination, and thereby became entitled to receive a reward of eighty dollars, under a resolve of Congress, passed May fifteenth, seventeen hundred and seven yight, shall be entitled to receive his full monthly pay in said service, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated ; to begin on the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six, and to continue during his natural life: Provided, I hat no noncommissioned officer, musician, or private, in said army, who is now on the pension list of the United States, shall be entitled to the benefits

Sec. 4 And be it further enacted. That the ay allowed by this act shall, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, be paid to the officer or sordier entitled thereto, or to their authorized attorney, at such places and days as said Secretary may direct; and that no foreign officer shall be entitled to said pay, nor shall any officer or soldier eceive the same, until he furnish to said Secretary satisfactory evidence that he is entitled to the same, in conformity to the provisions of this act; and the pay allowed by this act shall not, in any way, be transferrable or liable to attachment, levy, or seizure, by any legal process whatever, but shall inure whol y to the personal benefit of the other or soldier entitled to the same by this

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted That so much of said pay as accrued by the provisions of this act, before the third day of March, eighteen hund er and twenty-eight, shall be paid to the officers and soldiers entitled to the same, as soon as may be, in the manuer and under the provisions before mentioned; and the pay which shall accrue after said day, shall be paid semi-annually, in like manner, and under the same provisions.

From the Tarborough Free Press A NEW PLAN TO TEND COTTON WHILE YOUNG.

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Work a harrow of the tollowing dimensions, (viz:) It is to be of an oblique triangular form. two feet long, with six iron pins, each twelve inches long, placed in the following order, (namely ;) the two front or foremost four inches apart ; the two next eight inches spart, and twelve inches behind the two foremost; and the two hinomost twelve inches apart, and twelve inches behind the two middlemost. The above is to be worked in the form of a plough, the horse to go directly over the cotion, and dent that all who may try the above plan of weeding their cotton, will find it to their advantage; as it thins the cotton, destroys the ment I have ever yet seen tried. The simplicity of this harrow, and the facility with which it enables farmers to clean their crops of cotton, are certainly sufficient inducements for trying the experiment. I wish all my friends to iry the plan and judge for themselves.
D. MPSEY BRYAN.

On Saturday evening, about 9 o'clock, duran foul of a small boat from Staten Island. with fish, which was upset, and two men, bro-

N. Y. Mer. Adv.

A new colony has been established at Port Raffles, on the north coast of New-Helland, in lat. 11 deg. 43 min. S long. 132 deg. 40 min