

...there cannot be any usury, in promising to pay a debt in the legal currency of the country; or in giving money for a valid engagement to return the same on demand. I am not hazarding my own grade speculations on the subject, but am completely borne out by an adjudication in the Supreme Court of Massachusetts, in the case of *Portland Bank v. Storer*. (7 Massachusetts Reports, 433.) And the professional part of this Committee know and feel the respect which is due to the decision of a Tribunal, of which Theophilus Parsons was the presiding Magistrate.

Conclusion of Mr. Gaston's Speech in our next.

CONGRESS.

SENATE.

Monday, Feb. 2. A committee consisting of Messrs. Tazewell, Sanford and Webster, was appointed to ascertain and report a mode for declaring who is elected President and Vice-President of the United States, and to notify the individuals elected of such election.

At a quarter before one, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Executive business, in which they were occupied till three o'clock. This closed-door business begins to excite some interest in the public mind, which is not a little increased by the reports that are abroad concerning it. In good time, we suppose, the veil will be removed, and public curiosity gratified.

Mr. Branch submitted a resolution instructing the Committee on Commerce to inquire into the expediency of appropriating a sum sufficient to make a ship channel from the Albemarle Sound to the Atlantic Ocean, at or near Roanoke Inlet.

Tuesday, Feb. 3. Mr. Benton gave notice that he would, to-morrow, introduce a bill for the gradual increase of the Engineer Corps, and for other purposes. At half past twelve, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Executive business.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Saturday, Jan. 31. A great number of resolutions were offered. The House then resumed the consideration of the bill for the relief of Farrow and Harris, whose claim is for a balance due to them on the contract with the Government for the erection of the fortifications on Dauphin Island. After some further discussion, the bill for their relief was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-day.

When this bill was disposed of, the House went into committee of the whole on four private bills, two of which were ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to day, and on the other two the Committee reported progress and obtained leave to sit again, at the desire of gentlemen who wished for further time to make examination. A bill was reported from the Committee on Naval Affairs, making an appropriation in aid of the Navy Hospital Fund.

Mr. Carson, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, to which the subject was referred on the 27th of January, reported a bill authorizing the President of the United States to extinguish the title to certain Indian reservations of Land within the State of North-Carolina, which was read twice and committed to a Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. Bryan offered the following resolution, which lies one day on the table: Resolved, That the Secretary of War be directed to communicate to this House a copy of the survey and report of a canal route from Nense River to Beaufort harbour, in North-Carolina, made by a Brigade of United States Engineers, in continuation of the great inland sea-board navigation, from the Dismal Swamp Canal Southwardly.

Monday, Feb. 2. The presenting of petitions in the House of Representatives yesterday occupied nearly an hour. One or two bills were then reported from various Committees; one of which was a Bill for the relief of the heirs of Robert Fulton. The House then resumed, in Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, the bill for the preservation and repair of the Cumberland Road, when Mr. A. Stevenson (the Speaker) spoke at some length against the constitutional power of Congress to erect toll-gates, or assume any jurisdiction over the road. Mr. Mercer then obtained the floor in reply, but as it was near the usual hour of adjournment, and Mr. Mercer was in a weak state from indisposition, the bill was passed over. The Committee then on motion of Mr. Sprague, took up the bill to repeal the duties on tonnage, which was also read and passed over. The Committee then took up the Bill to authorize the purchase and distribution of 500 copies of Gordon's Digest of the Laws. There was an amendment made, on motion of Mr. Marvin, to this Bill, giving a copy to each incorporated college in the Union. The Committee then rose and reported progress on the Cumberland Road bill. The Bill to repeal the duties on tonnage was postponed till to-morrow. The House adjourned before the question was taken on a motion made to amend the Bill relative to the purchase and distribution of Gordon's Digest, which motion was to reduce the number from 500 to 250, and to prevent their distribution among the members of the two Houses of Congress.

Tuesday, Feb. 3. Mr. McKean, from the Committee on the Post Office Roads, reported a Bill a supplementary of the Post Office Law, which repairs so much of the existing law as in-

poses upon Postmasters the obligation of distributing the mails on Sunday. Accompanying this bill, was a report on the subject of the transportation of the mails on Sunday, which in its tone and decision is adverse, to the prayer of those who desire to interrupt it on that day. There was some conversation, not amounting to a discussion, upon a motion of Mr. McKean to print 6000 extra copies of the report but the motion was finally laid on the table. The House then took up the bill from the Senate to authorize the purchase and distribution of 500 copies of Gordon's Digest of the Laws, which was opposed, on the question of its third reading, but was finally passed by a vote of 96 to 79. The House then resumed, in Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, the discussion of the bill for the preservation and repair of the Cumberland Road. Mr. Mercer commenced his reply to the arguments against the bill, and after speaking about an hour and a half, gave way for a motion that the Committee rise. He will continue his reply to-morrow.

About half an hour had elapsed after the hour of meeting, before a quorum of the House was ascertained to be present.

A Resolution was laid on the table, by Mr. Barringer, appointing to-morrow for the election of a printer to the House for the next Congress; and another resolution was offered by Mr. Wilds, which also lies on the table one day providing that no person who has been engaged, or interested in, a public newspaper within the last 2 years, shall be eligible to the office of public printer.

Raleigh Register.

TUESDAY, FEB. 10, 1829.

Internal Improvements.—The newly elected Board for Internal Improvements met at Fayetteville on Thursday last, and closed their business on Saturday.

Measures were taken for recommencing the works below Wilmington, and for repairing the Embankment and Jetties; and also for opening the River to Haywood. For which purpose three locks will be immediately erected at Buckhorn Falls.

A survey of the Road from Pettigrew's Canal to Cahoon Lake, in Tarrell County, was directed, pursuant to an act of last session. Satisfactory evidence, was also procured, as directed by the Legislature, of the sinking of certain Vessels during the Revolutionary War, in the ship channel below Wilmington, in order to prevent the Enemy from destroying the town, which, it is believed, was the principal cause of the present obstructions in the navigation of the River. This testimony will be immediately transmitted to our Senators in Congress, and will be the means, it is confidently expected, of obtaining an appropriation from that body in favor of these Works.

The new Lock at the head of Clubfoot Creek, and the necessary repairs in the Canal, it is expected, will be forthwith undertaken, an ample appropriation having been made by an act of last session for that purpose.

Mineralogical.—A correspondent of the Yadkin Journal announces the discovery of a large body of the Sulphate of Barytes, of the granular species, in the County of Cabarrus. The mineral is found at two different Gold Mines, in large slabs and compact masses, running parallel and generally contiguous to the vein or matrix of the precious metal, and, in some instances, contains on its surface, small quantities of Gold. It is susceptible of a very high polish, and is a beautiful snow-white color. It is said to constitute a good base for water colors—to be a good metallurgical flux, and intermixed with the carbonate of lead, to make an excellent substitute for the best white lead, giving to paint a durable body or coat, and being far preferable to the common adulterations of that article. Should it resist a long exposure to the action of the atmosphere, this mineral would be valuable for many domestic uses. It would be very suitable for tombstones, hearths, &c.

General Jackson.—The President elect has probably reached Washington by this time. The last National Intelligencer stated that he was expected daily. The last accounts left him at Pittsburg, in good health. He has received the most distinguished attentions during his whole journey.

Theological Seminary.—The Synod of Kentucky, at its late session at Danville, resolved upon the establishment of a Theological Seminary at that place. Three subscriptions of \$200 each were immediately made by persons present, as part of \$20,000 necessary to the foundation of the first Professorship. The Revd. James Burch was elected by ballot, as Professor of Theology.

President of Harvard College.—At a meeting of the Board of Overseers of Harvard College, on Thursday last, the nomination of JOSIAH QUINCY, as President of that Institution, was confirmed by a vote of 40 to 26.

We regret to learn, that Mr. Wirt, Attorney-General of the United States, has had a severe attack of apoplexy.

Philanthropic.—The Professors of the Medical Department of the Columbian College, in the District of Columbia, anxious to extend the benefits of regular medical education to Students whose pecuniary means will not enable them to attend courses of public lectures, have resolved to admit gratuitously, one student from each State in the Union, to be designated by the Senators in Congress.

The bill now before the House of Representatives, to abolish the office of Major General, also provides, that brevet rank shall not be conferred by the President and Senate, on any officer of the Army, but for gallant actions and meritorious conduct on the field of battle.

THEODORE FRELINGHUYSEN has been elected a Senator of the United States from New-Jersey, for six years from the 3d day of March next, to succeed Mr. DICKERSON, whose term of service will then expire.

MAHLON DICKERSON was then chosen a Senator to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Dr. BATEMAN.

Mr. SOUTHWARD, the present Secretary of the Navy, would have been chosen, but for the artful introduction of a resolution declaring him ineligible, in consequence of having lost his residence in New-Jersey, by the acceptance of an office at Washington. This is an extraordinary decision. It might as well be said, that our young men, who have a temporary residence at New-York or Litchfield, for the purpose of attending a course of Lectures on Medicine or Law, disfranchise themselves, as that the holding of an Office at Washington deprives a man of his political and personal privileges.

The George Clinton, Capt. Rawson, arrived at New-York, left Liverpool on the 27th of December. The papers that she brings furnish us news from the continent in addition to that previously received.

The most interesting is a letter from the Duke of Wellington to the Catholic Primat of Ireland, published in the Dublin Evening Post of December 23. It is in these terms—

London, Dec. 11, 1828. My Dear Sir—I have received your letter of the 4th inst. and I assure you that you do me justice in believing that I am sincerely anxious to witness the settlement of the Roman Catholic Question, which, by benefiting the state, would confer a benefit on every individual belonging to it. But I confess I see no prospect of such a settlement. Party has been mixed up with the consideration of the Question to such a degree, and such violence pervades every discussion of it, that it is impossible to prevail upon men to consider it dispassionately. If we could bury it in oblivion for a short time, and employ that time diligently in the consideration of its difficulties on all sides, (for they are very great,) I should not despair of seeing a satisfactory remedy.

"Believe me, my dear Sir, ever your most faithful humble servant; WELLINGTON."

Fayetteville Market.—Cotton, \$8 & 15. Bagging, yd. 20 a 24. Candles, m'ld. 14. Coffee, 16 a 16½. Flour, \$6 60 a 7. Iron, 5 50 a 6 50. Flaxseed, 85 a 90. Lime, 2 50 a 3. Molasses, 32½ a 37. Nails, cut, 9; wrought, 18 a 20. Sugar, common, 10½ a 11; prime, 11 a 12. Salt, Liv. 90 a \$1. Steel, Amer. 8 a 9. Tobacco, leaf, 2 50 a \$3. Ap. Brandy, 40 a 45. Whiskey, 25 a 30. Wheat, \$1 35. U. S. Bank Notes, 1½ to 2 pr. ct. premium. Cape Fear, do. N. C. Cotton is quoted in New-York at 8½ to 9½ cts. only.

Wheat is quoted as follows: Wheat, Western, bush. 1 65 a 1 70 Do Virginia, do 1 65 a 1 68 Do North-Carolina, do 1 68 a 1 71

Internal Improvement.—We copied from the Raleigh Register, a few weeks since, a notice of the proceedings of a meeting of Members of the Legislature and others friendly to Internal Improvements, at the Capital in Raleigh, by whom a Society was formed to collect and disseminate among the people information on this all-important subject.

From such a Society, energetically and perseveringly conducted, we anticipate the happiest results. It may in a few years, (for it is not to be done in a moment,) acquire such information, and consequently influence, as to give a direction, and irresistible force to the energies of the State; and thus, wielding that powerful engine, public opinion, compel the Legislature to do something for the improvement of the internal condition of the State.—Fay. Obs.

Roman Catholic Convention in Fayetteville.—Bishop England, of Charleston, has given notice, that a Convention of the Roman Catholics of North-Carolina will be held in this town on Sunday the 15th day of March next. Lay Delegates from the Congregations of Fayetteville, Newbern, Washington, Wilmington, Salisbury, and Charlotte, will be entitled to seats—from the three first mentioned Congregations, each two Delegates; and the others, each one. We have not heard what number of the Clergy will be present, but no doubt the Rt. Revd. Bishop himself will be.

The Bishop also gives notice, that on Tuesday the 17th of March, (being the Festival of St. Patrick,) the dedication of

the Church erected in this town, will take place. The Catholics are indebted for this Church, and the lot on which it stands, entirely to our townsman, John Kelly, Esq. It is now completed, and only awaits the dedication, to be used for the purpose for which it is designed. It is a convenient building, finished in such a style of neatness and taste as to do credit to all engaged about it.—Fay. Obs.

Married.

In Bladen county, Mr. James H. Chapman, of Cumberland, to Miss Ann Robinson. In Lumberton, on the 28th ult. by the Rev. Colin McIver, Thomas A. Norman, Esq. of Charlotte, to Miss Penelope K. Rowland, daughter of Gen. Alfred Rowland. In Brunswick county, on the 27th ult. Mr. Maurice Waddell to Miss Mildred P. Hall. In Warren county, on the 22d ult. Mr. Robt. Smith, of Franklin, to Miss Elizabeth Howdon. On the same evening, Mr. John Andrews to Miss Ellen Pamehall. In Orange county, on the 29th ult. Mr. Thomas T. Burroughs to Miss Amelia H. Patterson, daughter of Mr. Mann Patterson. In Rowan county, on the 16th ult. Mr. Jacob Hiltz to Miss Rachel Brown; also on the 22d, Mr. Daniel Gregory to Mrs. Edith Bruner. In Surry county, Capt. Henry G. Hampton to Miss Charlotte Doby; also, on the 15th ultimo, Mr. John Pardue, of Wilkes county, to Miss Rhody Austill; also, Mr. Thomas Johnson, of Iredell, to Miss Sarah Carter; also, Mr. Charles Johnson to Miss Gilly Sisk. In Washington, Georgia, Maj. A. H. Sneed to Mrs. Mary Boddy.

DIED.

In Charlotte, on the 25th ult. very suddenly, Mr. Thomas Gillespie. In Salem, on the 29th January, the honorable & venerable Timothy Pickens, aged 84 years—most of the incidents of whose eventful life were connected with the Revolution, independence, measures & politics of our beloved country. He was Colonel of one of the first patriotic regiments in this State; afterwards an Aid to Gen. Washington, and subsequently Secretary of State, a National Senator, &c. He was blessed with the "mens sana in corpore sano" to his last sickness, and we know not that the power of his mind was impaired till death. Buried in New-Haven, Conn. on the 28th ult. Nathan Smith, M. D. Professor of the Theory & Practice of Physic and Surgery in the Medical Institution of Yale College, aged 66.

NORTH AMERICAN REVIEW.

FOR JANUARY. Contents of No. 42. Article I. The Decline of Poetry.—Lord Byron and his Contemporaries, with Recollections of the Author's Life, and his Visit to Italy. By Leigh Hunt. II. Scandinavian Mythology, Poetry and History. III. Austin's Life of Gerry.—The Life of Elbridge Gerry, with contemporary Letters, to the Close of the American Revolution. By James T. Austin. IV. Biography of a German Carbonarist.—John Witt, alias von Dorring. Fragments of my Life and Time. V. Flint's Geography and History of the Western States.—A Condensed Geography & History of the Western States, or the Mississippi Valley. By Timothy Flint. VI. Irving's Life of Columbus.—A History of the Life and Voyages of Christopher Columbus. By Washington Irving. VII. The Epistle to the Hebrews.—A Commentary on the Epistle to the Hebrews. By Moses Stuart. VIII. Hayti.—The present State of Hayti, with Remarks on its Agriculture, Commerce, Laws, Religion, Finances and Population. By James Franklin. IX. The Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road.—1. Report of the Engineers of the Reconnoissance and Surveys made in reference to the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road. 2. Second Annual Report of the President and Directors of the Stockholders; and First Annual Report of the Board of Engineers to the Board of Directors of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company. X. Heeren's Historical Works.—1. History of the States of Antiquity. From the German of A. H. L. Heeren. 2. History of the Political System of Europe and its Colonies, from the Discovery of America to the Independence of the American Continent. From the German of A. H. L. Heeren. XI. Simo'n Bolivar.—Historia de la Revolucion de la Republica de Colombia. Por Jose Manuel Restrepo. XII. Saxe-Weimer's Travels.—Travels thro' North America, during the Years 1825 and 1826. By His Highness, Bernhard, Duke of Saxe-Weimer-Eisenach. Quarterly List of New Publications. Just received and for sale by J. GALES & SON.

Managers Office, Richmond, Va.

To be drawn 17th of February 1829. New-York Consolidated Extra. \$10,000 \$3000 1,460 1,000 1,000 5 of 500 10 of 150 36 of 100 Besides \$30, \$15, \$10, and \$5. Whole Tickets \$5. Halves \$2 50. Quarters \$1 25.

RICHMOND DOCK LOTTERY No. 1.

To be drawn at Richmond 2nd of March. \$10,000 \$3000 1,460 2 of 1000 5 of 300 10 of 150 Besides \$40, \$30, \$20, &c. &c. Whole tickets \$5. Halves \$2 50. Quarters \$1 25.

CONNECTICUT STATE No. 7.

To be drawn 13th of March. 1 of \$6,000 1 of 2,500 1 2,268 2 1,000 4 500 6 3,500 20 100 41 40 Besides \$30, \$20, \$15, \$8, and \$4. Whole Tickets \$4. Halves \$2, Quarters \$1.

All orders addressed to Yates & McIntyre Richmond Va. or Charleston S. Carolina. F. S. Yates & McIntyre have had the pleasure of selling and paying 2 prizes of \$10,000.—1 of 4,000.—2 of 200 and 6 of 1000 with a few weeks past—for chances in the above Lotteries address Richmond Va. YATES & MCINTYRE.

REMOVAL.

DOCTOR FABIUS J. HAYWOOD HAS removed to the upper apartment of the Store occupied by Williams & Haywood, where he may always be found unless professionally engaged. Raleigh, Nov. 10.

JUST PUBLISHED.

AND for sale at the Book-store of J. Gales and Son, in Raleigh, price three dollars, a new Edition of the Office and Duty of a Justice of the Peace, and a Guide to Sheriffs, Coroners, Clerks, Constables and other Civil Officers in North-Carolina. With an appendix, containing the Constitutions of this State, and of the United States, and a collection of the most approved forms for the use of these Officers.

The new Edition of this valuable Work contains besides its former useful matter, the substance of all the important Acts passed by the General Assembly from the year 1812, to the present period, which appear under their proper heads. Orders for this new Work will be duly attended to, from any part of the State. Feb. 1, 1829.

Ten Dollars Reward.

RAN AWAY from the subscriber, living in Jasper county, Georgia, a Negro Fellow, named JACK. He is yellow complexioned, 5 feet 6 inches and a half high, well made, very brisk in his motions, has a remarkable scar on his left hand occasioned by a burn, also a large scar over his left shoulder-blade. He will aim for Fayetteville, North-Carolina, as he was brought from that place two years ago by David Stevenson. The above reward will be given to any person for apprehending said negro and lodging him in some safe jail, so that I get him. Jailors are requested if said negro should be lodged with them to give information by letter as quick as possible. JOHN SPARKS, Jasper county, (Geo.) Jan. 16. 41 cowdr

Twenty Dollars Reward.

BROKE jail in Ashboro', Randolph County, on the night of the 6th inst. two negroes, a boy and a girl. Said boy, calling him self John Fields, is about 30 years old, about 5 feet 10 inches high, light complexion, has a scar on one foot. Said boy passes for a free man, is a boy of considerable address and pertness; he has been confined in said jail about 15 months. The girl, named Nancy Walden, is about 25 years old, small stature, dark mulatto, and is a smart, sensible girl. They will both probably attempt to pass for free persons, as man and wife. The above reward will be given for their apprehension and delivery to me, or confinement in any jail so that I get them, or \$10 for either of them. WM. BROWN, Jailer, Jan. 7th, 1829. 37-3wp

Sale for Taxes.

I Shall offer for sale at the Court House in Wadesborough Anson County, on the 31st day of March next the following tracts of Land or so much thereof as will satisfy the taxes due thereon for the years 1826 & 1827 with costs. 150 acres list'd by Treasy Turner on the waters of Brown creek. 63½ do do Levi Pearce do Rocky River. 50 do do Wm. McIntyre, jr. do do do do do Wm. McIntyre, sr. do do do do do Lewis McIntyre do do do do do Abner Beach do Lane's creek. 100 do do Matthew Kummage do do do do do do Robert Hildrith do Savannah creek. 60 do do George W. Self do Rich'dsons' creek. 75 do do Arthur Sykes do do do do do do Jesse Barnett do do do do do do Benj. Brasswell do Gourdvine creek. 150 do do Wade Braswell do do do do do do Jephth Gullege do Lick Branch. 268 do do Wm. Ingram do Thompson's creek. 50 do do Tuley Moss do Haley ferry Road. 300 do do Isiah Stewart do Beavertan creek. 800 do do Daniel May do Jones creek. 680 do do Wm. & Hardy May do Jones creek. 400 do do not listed owned by Hartley do Crooked creek. 150 do do Willis Worley do Thompson's creek. 375 do do John Anny do do do do do do do Gattsey Barber do Finch gold creek. 4 do do Alex'r. & Dan'l. McRae Gold Mine. A. MYERS late Sheriff, Jan. 26th 1829. 43 St. mt.

CLOTHING STORE.

ISAAC C. PATRIDGE, [formerly R. Halsey] respectfully informs the citizens of Raleigh and its vicinity, that he has on hand an assortment of READY-MADE CLOTHING, HATS, CAPS, FANCY ARTICLES, &c. He has just received a supply of fine Mole skin Vests, black silk Cravats (first quality), Navarino Stocks, black silk Stocks, Cravat Stiffeners, Linen Collars, &c. which he will sell low. At the establishment in Newbern, (with which he is connected) is a young man lately from N. York, well skilled in the art of cutting in the latest and most fashionable style. Those therefore who leave their measures with him, will be furnished with neat and durable Clothing, on the most accommodating terms. Raleigh, Feb. 9, 1828. 45 St

State of North-Carolina,

Burke County. Superior Court of Law September Term, 1828. Margaret Conway, vs. John Conway. Petition for Divorce. ORDERED by Court, that publication be made for three months in the Raleigh Register and Western Carolinian, that the Defendant appear at next Court, and plead, on the 4th Monday of March next. Given under my hand, WM. ERWIN, Clerk. By E. A. ERWIN, D. C.

State of North-Carolina.

Rutherford County. Superior Court of Law—October Term, 1828. William Hicks v. Elizabeth Hicks. Petition for Divorce. IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that Elizabeth Hicks, the defendant, is not an inhabitant of this State; it is therefore ordered by the Court that publication be made three months in the Raleigh Register, giving notice to the defendant that he appear at the next Superior Court of law to be holden in Rutherfordton, on the 3d Monday after the 4th Monday in March next, then and there to answer, plead or demur to said petition, otherwise it will be taken pro confesso and adjudged accordingly. Witness, James Morris, Clerk of our said Court, at office the 3d Monday after the 4th Monday in September 1828, and of the 33d year of the Independence of the United States. JAMES MORRIS, CLK.

State of North-Carolina,

WASHINGTON COUNTY. In Equity.—Full Term, A. D. 1828. Priley Jones vs. William Jones, Thomas Jones, Jane Jones, Thomas H. Smaw and Nancy his wife, Charlotte Jones, by Levi Fagan, her Guardian, and Priley Jones, by Wm. Fagan, Sen. his Guardian. Tapping to the satisfaction of the court, that Thomas Jones resides without the limits of the State: It is ordered that publication be made three months in the Raleigh Register, that unless he appear and answer at the next Superior Court of Equity to be held for the County of Washington on the second Monday in March next, Judgment pro confesso will be taken against him. J. GOBLET, C. M. W. C.