### CITY OF RALEIGH, WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 25, 1853.

"Ours' are the plans of fair, delightful peace;
Tunarped by party rage, to live like brothers."

RALEIGH, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, MAY 21, 1853.

MEN AND THEIR DOINGS.

NO. III.

WASHINGTON, May 17, 1853. As the elections for members of Congress are shout to take place in North Carolina, Virginia. and some other States, the character of Conresitself, what it is and what it ought to be. naturally suggests itself to the reflecting mind. ad especially to one who has seen as much of those men, whom the people send up here to masset the great legislative business of the

The idea we generally have of "the old Conms of 76," is, that it was composed of able. miliotic, and distinguished men; men who enactuated by one absorbing and ennobling leare, that of securing the liberty, indepensence, and prosperity of their country. They night, and did, differ upon many questions, but weach was animated by the same ardent love afcountry, and the same anxious desire to seis there were no unworthy rivalries, no jealparties thwarting the measures of each sher, and, above all, no selfish ambition to make neeches for "Buncombe," or otherwise demangue for a re-election. The objects for which or fathers were struggling were of great magnitude; their patriotism pure and clevated heir demeanor, as became them and the great interests at stake, grave and dignified.

Such was the Congress of the United States during the revolution, and perhaps for many rears after, except that it gradually became dinded into parties upon questions of foreign and bmestic policy. But long after the country ecame divided into parties, it was customary send to that body men of character, abilities. and of good manners. It was then supposed that those, whose duty it would be to legislate to the affairs of a great nation,-to give dietion to her foreign and domestic policy, to ire activity, scope and encouragement to the ndustry and enterprise of her citizens, protecion to her commerce, and respectability to her nme-ought to be men of entarged and well med minds, cultivated manners, no little inercourse with men, and of much practical howledge in business and the affairs of life .-Such were some of the "old fashioned notions" about the fitness of men for the then high and enected position of a member of Congress: and when such men were elected and came together. they could not but have the bearing and demeasor of gentlemen ; for each respected himelf and the other members of the body too highly but otherwise. The business of the body was anducted with order, decorum and despatch. Nomember felt at liberty to absent himself for stay, a week, or a month, without leave, nor did he then think of drawing pay while he was abent, nor of making twice as many miles bewen the capitol and his house as there really w. While Mr. Clay was Speaker, the House Erresentatives was one of the most able, emited decorous and business like public

bles in the world, -one to which an Ameri-

usual pride and exultation. Is this the picture of the last-of several o a last Congresses? Is that assemblage of saids and some with their feet upon their ets; some reading and some writing; some alking and some laughing obstreperously, tile one is sawing the air with his arms, and training his lungs to their utmost capacity, to take himself heard, amid the din of voices, and be rattling of papers in the hall, by the Speaer-is this, I ask, that same House of Reprematives, over which Mr. Clay presided with much dignity and ability? It is the House Representatives of the United States, but oh! hw changed! Where now is your Madison. Mar Ames, your Marshall, your Calhoun, your laundes, your Quincy, your Cheves, your Gasha, your Otis, your Grovenor, your Starr, and fly more I could name? Nay, where are the worthy to occupy their seats? The people | garb and rowdy manners. have not, of late, sent them here. That Congess is not now what it once was, is a most lamentable fact, and is, in some degree, their fault: if they send small men, men alike without inwilligence and without manners; men who hare as little respect for themselves as they have for everybody else; and who have not the least appreciation of the true character of an American legislator, what else can be expected han that such scenes will be again enacted as have made the nation blush for the last ten or Afteen years? If a remedy is ever to be applied, it must be by the people. With them, the

OBSERVER.

No. IV.

WASHINGTON, May 18, 1853. Speaking, as I did in my last, of the House of Representatives, and of Mr. Clay, the most stinguished speaker that ever presided over hat body, and who did so in its palmiest days, reminds me of a historical anecdote once related to me by the Hon. Jonathan Roberts, a prominent democratic member of that body as [ far back as 1810, 11, 12, &c. You are aware the very first day he ever entered the House Invasion of North Carolina in 1776." of Representatives as a member of that body; lough a man of great dignity and suavity of Mecklenburg."

MANUEL REGISTER. manner, did not possess that resolute decision and firmness which was required control of the more erratic spirits of the body; he lacked discipline, and the power to enforce order. The consequence of this was that members had fallen into some of the bad habits which have characterized the body of late years; there was not preserved that strict order and decorum which members deemed essential.

Talking this over, one day, several members

who happened to be together, lamented the want

of a proper enforcement of the rules of the House, and expressed a wish to bring about a reform. "How can this be done?" asked some one; "by the enforcement of the rules," replied another. "Who can do this?" "It must be some one who can bridle John Randolph, and restrain him within the rules." "Then," said another," it must be some man who can meet him either upon the floor, in forensic conflict, or on the field in a more serious encounter, for John Randolph will never quietly submit to the rules being enforced on him." That is very true," responded the whole," and we must then look for our man at the south or west, for no northern member can or will do this." "True again: but where is the man?" "I will tell you," replied Mr. Roberts, my informant, 'young CLAY of Kentucky, who will be a member of the next Congress, is the very man; he is hesitate to meet him anywhere." "The very man," responded the whole circle;" and now, it be understood that he is to be elected, and each one of us pledge himself to do all we can to effect the object." This was done, and Mr. CLAY was elected. I need not say how soon and effectually he brought the House to order, nor with what distinguished ability he presi- and skilful management. ded. Not a decision of his was ever reversed by the House. Would to Heaven we had a Henry Clay now to take the chair, and bring order out of chaos, and decorum out of confusion! But "there were giants in those days," pigmies in these; not that there is not intellect enough in the country, but it is either not sought, and sent here by the people, or it seeks more profitable, and, since Jacksonism swept over the land like a burning tornado, more ennobling emtalent, not experience, not great acquirements | remark of "finical" adornment. and elevated views. No man will do who has any notions different from those of "the party." If the party say so, "no internal improvements, no ted of brownish grey granite, in Grecian style. use of the public lands for the benefit of schools. no progress but progress downwards !"

So it must be, and every man who is ambitious to make a figure in Congress, or have honorable" prefixed to his name, must first bring his mind and views down to and within the circle of this belittling creed. Is it a wonder that we have so many little men in Con-

ook at that body which is not unfrequently denominated "a mob," in this city, let us cross them. But it was not, upon the whole, to be the rotunda, and take a glance at the Senate .- expected, that they, who had been tolled on from Here once sat Clinton, Burr, Gerry, Bayard, an estimate of sixty thousand dollars into an Bingham, Rufus King, J. Q. Adams, Gaillard, actual expenditure of five hundred thousand, Wm. H. Crawford, Gallatin, Barbour, Doggett, should immediately impose upon economical Mason, Dana, Goldsborough, Clay, Webster, constituents by spending money for flowers -Calhoun, Frelingbuysen, Lloyd, Hayne, and The square, instead of being a "field," is a many others of mark and note. It was a body | beautiful plot of six acres, (susceptible of very of "grave and reverend seniors," able, dignified and decorous, whose self-respect, regard for the high position they filled, and habitual And the whole is surrounded with a substantial an could point a foreigner with a feeling of suavity of manners, were sufficient bands of restraint, and rendered the use of rules almost chance, it should now and then afford unnecessary; so far, indeed, as order and decorum were concerned, quite unnecessary. The very atmosphere of the chamber seemed to impose restraint upon every one who breathed it. Senators addressed the Chair and each other in a subdued voice, not in a loud boistrous tone, except when extraordinarily excited by the heat of debate, - which was a rare occurrence, - and observed the strictest decorum in their manners. Such a sight as a Senator sitting with around him, like some "Jonathan Swap," bent of 5000, and not 2,500, as stated. upon trading horses, yet not "letting on "that he had any such notion in his head, was never was necessary to have the damages renaired seen in that chamber, until "modern degeneracy" and flibustiering "progress" found its way there, in its half-barbaric, half-civilized

In the very decorous "slang" and "flash" of the present day, "Young America," whom Cave Johnson terms "Young Roguies," has driven these "Old Fogies," whom I have mentioned, and who dignified and adorned the body of which they were members, from this hall, and taken possession of their seats; and a beautiful "progress" they have made of it, truly! stalks had stood on an average, five feet, by two " Progress !" yes, let us have progress, but let feet one inch apart, and generally they were it be of that kind which advances in all that is good, virtuous, respectable, moral, upright, just; which looks to the moral and intellectual improvement of the people, and the physical condition of the country; which opens roads. cleans out rivers, levels mountains and makes them passable; which opens markets and highways for the produce of the country, so that the farmer and planter may not have to expend half their crop in getting the other half to market; that progress which doubles the value of every acre, and adds to the comforts and conveniences of every one, rich or poor; that progress which is onward and upward-not that which is backward and downward !

GOV. SWAIN'S LECTURE .- We resume and conclude, in our issue of to-day, the highly interof the fact, that Mr. Clay was elected speaker esting lecture of Gov. Swain upon the "British during the day. He said that the largest crop of

In the publication of that portion of the Adyou do not know, I presume, why he was dress, which we gave in our last, the asterisk, would mire on it all the Summer, and most of blected in preference to some old and experi- (which was employed to denote certain names it had been tended entirely with hoes." mper. The anecdote tells the reason. of gentiemen who were particularly distin-Old Mr. JOSEPH B. VARNUM, of Mass., a gentle- guished as "sturdy and well tried Whigs" of our farmers, without comment.

NOTES OF TRAVEL.

A correspondent of the New York "Times," the winter, has given the readers of that journal, among other things, his views of Raleigh and the country upon his route to Fayetteville. It is strange that men who travel to impart information to the public, should so often be led into error, either from not going at once to proper sources in order to obtain it themselves, or else permitting some petty personal annoyance to distort their vision, until an original picture can scarcely be recognized. But, upon the whole, the letters in question seem to be written in a kindly spirit, with a disposition to praise what is good, but with somewhat too much of severity upon what is bad. We propose to make a few extracts from the particular letter referred to, as the whole is too long for our columns. And first of the Raleigh and

"The train left Gaston an hour and a half after its advertised time. The road excellent and speed good, a heavy U rail having lately re placed the flat one. A new equipment throughout of the road is complete.'

The time of leaving Gaston is always dependent to a certain degree upon the arrival there of the train from the north, and while a detention from that cause may sometimes oca match for Randolph on the floor, and will not cur, it has no great effect upon the time of arrival here. Surely, travellers, in view of the recent horrible occurrences at the north, may be let us set about preparing the way for him; let | content with an average speed of twenty miles | two horse backs and bad roads, is too great to an hour. The equipment of the road is fully be borne with patience-those backs, too, not complete, and we venture to say that better en- of the best, and the horses of the worst! gines for the service required, and more comfortable coaches, are not to be found any where. Nor can any road surpass it in safe, prudent spirit of the age, the writer has overlooked

having many of the characteristics of the most lovely New-England villages; the streets wide and lined with trees, and many white wooden mansions, all with porches of a similar style, and with little court-yards around them, rather the new used for the local travel of R deigh and finically adorned with flowers and shrubbery."

The writer pays the usual tribute to the beauty of our city. If he could see it now, embowered in the rich foliage of the native oak, ployment elsewhere. Jacksonism was, and de- and its gardens and pastures gorgeous with hope to see these things remedied. After all, mocracy is, the great "one thing needful;" not their floral beauties, he would withdraw his as we have taken frequent occasion to say, that

> tre of the city, in a square field, that is shaded by some tall old oaks, and could easily be made into an appropriate and beautiful little park; but which, with singular negligence, or more singular economy, (while \$500,000 has been spent upon the simple edifice) remains in a rude state of undressed nature, and is used as a

We regret, as much as the writer, the neglect of the capitol grounds, and sincerely hope that And now, having taken a pretty thorough future Legislatures may be aroused to a proper sense of liberality with regard to great adornment,) shaded with a magnificent growth of oak, numbering many fine trees .iron rail, upon a granite base; and if, per-'pasture" to "hogs," it is not the fault of the

"The country, for miles about Raleigh, is nearly all pine forest, unfertile and so little cultivated that it is a mystery how a town of 2,500 inhabitants can obtain sufficient supplies from

We grant, that the country, upon the line of present no agreeable picture in the depth of his feet upon his desk, or engaged in whittling winter. But there is rich land enough to keep a piece of soft pine, and scattering the chips us from starring, and to maintain a population

" After staying at Raleigh a little longer than that my clothing and baggage sustained on the Weldon stage, I engaged a seat one day on the coach to leave at 2 o'clock for Fayetteville. As it was not ready to start at that time, I said I would walk on a bit and let them pick me up. I found a rough road - for several miles a clayey surface and much water-and was obliged pick my way a good deal through the woods on either side. I stopped frequently, when I came to cultivated land, to examine the soil and the appearance of the stubble of the corn, which was the only crop that had been raised upon it. In three different fields I made five measurements. at random, of fifty feet each, and found the not over an inch in diameter at the butt. In one old-field, which was being cleared up for new cultivation, I examined a most absurd little plow, with a share not more than six inches in depth, and eight long on the sole, fastened by a socket to a stake, to which was fitted a short beam and stilts; it was drawn by one mule, and its work, where it performed any between the stumps, could only be called scratching. A farmer, whom I met, told me that he considered twenty-five bushels of corn a good crop, and that he generally got as much as fifteen. He said that no money was to be gotten by raising corn, and very few farmers here made any more than they needed for their own force : sometimes, he said, they had had to buy corn at a dollar a bushel, and cart it home from Raleigh, or further-enough not having been raised in the country for home consumption. Cotton was the only crop that they had got any money for. I, nevertheless, did not see a cotton-field corn that he knew of, reckoned to be fifty bushels to the acre, had been raised on some reclaimed swamp, while it was still so wet that horses

We commend the above to the consideration

man of the old school of manners, had presided during the Revolutionary War,) was omitted at Our traveller arrives at Mrs. Barclay's, after offer the House for a number of years; and the name of "Paul Barringer, of the County of a long and weary tramp through mud and sand, and, under the shelter of her hospitable roof, been discovered in Gordon county, Ga.

seems half disposed to see all things on the bright side. Old stagers, of thirty years standwho has been sojourning at the South during ing-all stagers along the route,-will always remember with pleasure that little oasis in the desert, and will recall many a time the genuine kindness and benevolence of Mrs. Barclay, which disarm her entirely of the character of a public hostess. We append his remarks :-

> "Then I had for my lodgings a whole house, there being a chimney between it and the next, and the only connection a verandah or long porch between the doors. Here, too, was a great fire; a tub with warm water, without my having asked for it, to bathe my feet; and i great bed in the English style, with a canopy and curtains. And this was a pincy-woods stage-house. I should as soon have expected to find the Garden of Eden in Greevland. But genius will find its development no matter where its lot is east, and there is as much a genius for hospitality as there is for poetry. Mrs. Bar clay is a Burns in her way, and with even more modesty; for, after twenty-four hours of such entertainment, I was only charged one dollar. I paid two dollars for my stage-coach privileges-namely, riding five miles and walking twenty-one."

> Journeying on to Fayetteville, he is beset with all sorts of troubles-baulking horses, bad roads, profane drivers, and every thing else to make him wish himself at home again. Even the soothing influence of the last twelve miles upon a plank road did not mollify him.

We are not disposed to find fault with hi complaints in these respects. The transition from comfortable cars and rapid becomotion, to

But in remarking, ine this connection, upon our backwarlness in keeping up with the the important fact, that the route by Fayette-"The city of Raleigh, (old Sir WALTER) the ville is no longer on the line of southern capital of North Carolina, is a beautiful place, travel. Time was, when it was the only means of transit between north and south .-But the introduction of rail-roads and sea steamers has thrown it into obscurity, and it is on-Favetteville, and, we are sorry to say, with little encouragement from either town. A journey to New York includes much less rersonal inconvenience than a trip to Fayetteville. We remedy depends upon us, citizens of Wake, in "The capitol is the finest State-House in the a great degree, in co-operating for the extencountry; every way a noble building, construction of the Northern plank road from Fayette-

> THE CONGRESSIONAL CANVASS. The "Salisbury Whig" gives an interesting account of a discussion, a few days since, at Concord, between Messrs. OSBORNE and CRAIGE, the Whig and Secession locofoco condidates for Congress in the Seventh District. Mr. CRAIGE ultra progressives of the day. We shall be more than surprised if the voters of the District do not stop him in his headlong career:

"Mr. Osborne spoke one hour with great beauy and eloquence, and was replied to by Mr. Craige, one hour, in a speech of decided abiliy, but exceedingly discursive and immethodical. Mr. Osborne then rejoined, and Mr. Craige sur-rejoined in speeches, each fifteen minutes

The distribution of the proceeds of the public lands, and the policy of annexation of Foreign Territory, (and particularly of Cuba,) to he United States, were the principal questions ebated. Mr. Osborne, on the subject of the Public Lands, argues, that as these lands were originally coded by North Carolina, and the other old States, in trust to the General Government to pay the Revolutionary debt, (and for no other purpose.) and that debt having been paid. that North Carolina, through her Representatives great leather fungus of Peter Nip Ninny-Go, in Congress, should demand her equitable pro- the Gooseberry Grinder, rise into dome of the portion of these lands. Mr. Craige, as we understood him, (and if we mistook his position; we conglomerated lumuxes, in one comprehensive will afford him an opportunity to correct mux, shall assimilate into nothing and revolve is constitutional to give the public lands, or the | the tail was." proceeds thereof, to the States in which they are located, but unconstitutional to give the travel, is not remarkable for fertility, and may lands or to distribute the proceeds of the sales to the old States. Can the injustice to North in Western North Carolina are devoted to the tioned by the intelligent voters of the seventh Craige should be elected, and vote to strike out her voice is equal to Jenny Lind!" of the bill the appropriation to North Carolina, | Craire is represented as "the very man for would the mere name of Democracy atone for the present crisis;" which "crisis" is said to and harbors to open, no roads to build and no poor childen to be taught properly their duties of God and their country. Do the people of North Carelina so love taxes as to desire to pay all, and receive nothing, from the General Gov- and Mr. Fillmore. And unless we have bold ernment? We had hoped that Mr. Craige on hands in Congress to purge these impurities, this question, particularly, would have risen great evils to the country must arise from it."

the whole figure. He thinks the American Ea- wourt, and Price, and Harris, and Gwin, and gle should at once gulp down Cuba, and at a has never heard of those worthies .- Fay. Obs. more convenient season swallow Central America-and "the rest of mankind." Mr. Osborne thinks that the Eagle had better digest what is already sticking in its craw, before it attempts to "take in" any more "forbulden fruit."

CENTRAL RAIL ROAD.

The Goldsboro' Republican says: "We have has already been delivered at the junction of and heavy, of the T pattern, and appear to bo of an excellent quality. The Bridge over Litit cost too much to get it to market; and yet the River, a mile from the junction, is already raised, and will probably be completed so that the track can be laid across during the present week. It is a Burr Bridge, of a single span, rags! 150 feet in length, and the track passes through in Sleepers are already distributed on the road for several miles, so that everything is in readiness to go ahead. We presume we shall have the pleasure, in the course of a week or two, of announcing the commencement of the E. Lockwood for Congress. track-laying, which will be pushed forward with energy as far as Neuse River Bridge, a in Montgomery, Ala., a few days ago, by a man distance of nearly twenty-five miles."

WE ARE gratified to learn that THOMAS W. Dewey, of this City, (at present a Clerk in the Bank of the State in Raleigh,) has been appointed Cashier of the Branch Bank of the State in Charlotte, vice WILLIAM A. LUCAS, elected Cashier of the new Bank of Charlotte. Mr. Dewey is a gentleman of most excellent business abilities, and will make an efficient and faithful officer.

VIRGINIA ELECTION .- The election in Virgin- make the motion, ia for members of Congress, the Legislature, and the Board of Public Works, takes place on Thursday, the 26th instant. Both parties are rallying their respective forces for the occasion.

WASHINGTON, May 15 .- Robert A. Hawke, messenger of the General Post Office, cut his wife's throat at ten o'clock last night, an hour after they retired, completely severing the windpipe and arteries. He then made two cuts at his own throat, but was, as he says, prevented from killing himself by his wife knocking the razor out his of hand. Their daughter, thirteen years old, occupy-

ing the adjoining room, was awakened by the screams of her mother, who jumped out of bed and ran down stairs, while Hawke raised the my wife's throat and my own, and intend to cut railroad, last week, without charge, my child's" The wife, in the meantime, reached the front door and attempted to speak, but was unable. The neighbors, alarmed, going in. found her on the floor in a dying condition, the husband standing over her with arms extended. exclaiming, "Oh! my wife, my wife, I have cut er throat." The child was screaming on the stens. The wife expired in about twenty min- this season's growth. utes. An inquest was held this morning, and the Jury returned a verdict of "death by the hands of her husband, he being in a deranged state of mind." + Hawke has been arrested and committed. He was honest and inffensive, or- last week, at prices ranging from \$1,000 to \$1,dinarily, but for some time past has been in an | 400 each. extremely depressed state of mind. Intending snieide, he had written a letter, saving "the

#### LOSS OF TWO HUNDRED LIVES!

world was against him, and as he could not live

happy here, he wanted all his family to go to

BALTIMORE, May 16. The ship William and Mary, from Liverpoo or New Orleans, was lost at sea on the 3d of May. She struck a sunken rock near the great Bahama Bank and went down. By this awful catastrophe not less than two hundred lives

The Captain, mate, and six of the crew, to gether with two passengers belonging to the ill fated ship, were picked up at sea and brought to New York this morning.

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ODD FEL-LOWS

At the Annual meeting of the Grand Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of this State, held in this town the present week. the following officers were elected for the ensu-

M. E. G. H. P., do J. E. Morris. seems to go a bow-shot beyond even the most Henry L. Ward, R. W. G. S. W., Colerain, R. W. G. S., Fayetteville, J. B. Newby, Chas, Lutterloh, R. W. G. T., do Wm. E. Jones, R. W. G. J. W., Washington. Wm. E. Jones, John J. Conoley, R. W. G. S., Wilmington.

but moderate progress during the past year.

SPIRITUALISM vs. COMMON SENSE.

Wil. Herald.

The Spiritual Harbinger has the following : "In the twelfth hour the glory of God, the Lord "In the twelfth hour the glory of God, the Lord Which coloreth life with the huss of a dream:

Which coloreth life with the huss of a dream:

The bloom purplet landscape its loveliness keepeth— Tribune Creater with the perfect disclosive illumination. Then shall the Creator, in effulgence above the divine seraphimal, arise into the disclosure in one comprehensive revolving galaxy of supreme Beatitudes."

The Cayuga Chief thus responds: "Then shall blockheads in the Jackassical dome disclosive procedure, above the all-fired disclosure until coequal and coextensive and us.) advocates the very strange doctrine, that it like a bobtailed pussy cat after the space where

The two leading editorial articles in a paper Carolina, which such a doctrine implies, be sanc- praise of Burton Craige, of Rowan, and—Miss O'er the lost and the lovely my spirit is weeping, tioned by the intelligent voters of the seventh | Rosamond Carneross. The latter is said to be | For my hear's fundest raptures are buried with them Rosamond Carneross. The latter is said to be Congressional District? Suppose Bennett's bill | the most "exquisite dancer in the country at is revived, in the next Congress, and Mr. | this time," and "those who are judges, say that such a parricidal blow? Have we no rivers grow out of the condition of things described in the following grammatical language: "Never have greater peculation been perpe

trated on the treasury department than have been under the administrations of Gen. Taylor And much more in the same style. The editor was probably born since the day of Swart-

DISTRIBUTION-HOW IT WORKS. A correspondent of the Baltimore Sun informs us that the donation of Public Lands to the State of Illinois, by the Gen. Government, for the purpose of constructing the Illinois Central Railroad, has enabled the Company to make their road without one cent of expense to the the gratification of knowing that one cargo of State or Stockholders. This road traverses the iron for the Central Rail Road has arrived at whole breadth of the State. The same authori-Wilmington from Wales, and that one train load ty informs us that the Missouri and Pacific Railroad, 310 miles long, is also entirely constructed by means of donations of Public Land. the Central and Wilmington road, a short dis- The Public Lands are going-going. It is time tance below Goldsboro'. The rails are large Old Virginia (North Carolina) had her share. Harrisonburg Republican.

> SAVE YOUR OLD RAGS. The price of printing paper has advanced 15 per cent, within the last three months, on account of the scarcity of rags. Save your old

In Philadelphia, last week, there were 180 deaths; 100 were children; of consumption 31; convulsions 19; scarlet fever 7. The Democrats of the Mobile district, in Al-

abama, have nominated P. Philips and the whigs Hon, H: W. Hilliard was violently assaulted

against whom he acted as counsel. The turpentine distillery of Barnum & Round- or trouble. For sale by

A valuable silver mine, it is said, has tree, near Charleson, was destroyed by fire on

Mr. Forrest has been playing for sixty consecutive nights, to crowded houses, at the Broadway Theatre, in New York.

Dr. Underhill, spirit rapper, &c., has been fined \$200 for exhibiting his ponsense at Rock Island, Ill., without a license.

The Maine Liquor Law Bill has failed in the Massachusetts House of Delegates on a tie vote. Under the strict rules of the House no reconsideration can be had, neither party being in a position-that of a voter with the majority-to

A child was killed in New York last week by the negligence of an anothecary's clerk, who sent laudanum where paregoric was required. The Western Rivers are all reported to be

high and rising, and, at last accounts by mail from St. Louis, a flood was apprehended in the A Mayor Finen .- The Mayor of New York ity has been fined five dollars for allowing a

servant girl in his employ to wash the pavement in front of his residence after hours. CALIFORNIA SLAVE LAW .- The Legislature of California have extended for another year the operation of the Fugitive slave law, passed at

the last session of the Legislature. A block of marble, from Indiana, for the Washington National Monument, weighing front window, loudly exclaiming, "I have cut 1,500 lbs., was brought from Wheeling over the

A man named David Fender, popping the question" in a letter, concluded thus :- "And should you say "yes," dear Mary, I will truly be your D. Fender."

At Washington, N. C., May 11, a fine sample of ripe early wheat was exhibited, of Ber Hon. Presley Spruance has been elected

president of the Bank of S. yrna, Del. Six slaves were sold at Milton, N. C.

A Methodist preacher, after sending all his auditory to the devil, thus concluded: "You may perhaps, on the day of judgment, think to escape by laving hold of my skirts as I go to heaven; but it wont do; I'll trick you all; for I'll wear a spencer, I'll wear a spencer."

The following melodious and touching oem is from the pen of the late lamented WIL-LIS GAYLORD CLARK, and was written by him for an early number of The Knickerbocker Mag-

A SONG OF MAY. There are songs in the stream, there is health in the gale; A sense of delight in each bosom is dwelling. As float the pure day-beams o'er mountain and vale:

The desolate reign of old Winter is broken-The verdure is fresh upon every tree: Of ature's revival the charm, and a token Of love, oh thou Spirit of Beauty! to thee And fin-hes the clouds that begirt his career; He welcomes the gladness and giory, returning
To rest on the promise and hope of the year;
He fills with rich light all the balm-breathing flowers—

He wakes into music the green forest-bowers, And gilds the gay plains which the broad rivers lave. The young bird is out on his delicate pinion-He timidly sails in the infinite sky; A greeting to May, and her fairy dominion, the pours on the west-wind's tragrant sigh; Around, above, there are peace and pleasure—

The woodlands are singing—the heaven is bright; The fields are unfolding their emerald treasure, And man's genial spirit is soaring in light. Alas, for my weary and care-haunted bosom! The spells of the spring-time arouse it no more; The song in the wild-wood—the sheen of the blossom— The Patriarchal branch of the Order has made The fresh-welling fountain—their magic is o'er! When I list to the streams—when I look on the flowers, They tell of the Past, with so mournful a tone. That I call up the throngs of my long-vanished hours,

And sigh that their transports are over and gone To my veil'd mind no more is the influence given

I deem that a light, as of old, gilds the wave;

Yet it is not that age on my years bath descended-"Tis not that its snow-wreaths encircle my brow; But the newness and sweetness of Being are ended— I feel not their love kindling witchery now! The shadows of Death o'er my path have been sweeping—
There are those who have loved me, debarred from the day;
The green turf is bright, where in peace they are sleeping.

And on wings of remembrance my soul is away. It is shut to the glow of this present existence-It hears, from the Past, a funereal strain; And it eagerly turns to the high-seeming distance, Where the lost blooms of earth will be garnered again: Where no mildew the soft, damask-rose cheek shall nourish

Where Grief bears no longer the poisonous sting; Where pitness Dearn no dark scepter can flourish, Of stain with his blight the luxuriant spring. It is thus that the hopes which to others are given Fall cold on my heart in this rich month of May;

I hear the clear anthems that ring through the heaven; I drink the bland airs that enliven the day;

## MARRIED.

In Wilmington, on Thursday, the 12th in stant, by the Rev. Dr. Drane, Gen. Alexander McRae to Mrs. Mary S. Herring.

## DIED.

Near Elevation, Johnston Co., on the 16th instant, Mrs. Mary Woodall, in the 86th year of her age. The deceased was a woman remarkable for her kindness and hospitality, and leaves a large number of descendants, relatives and friends to mourn her departure.

In Wake Co., on the 17th inst., of apoplexy, Mrs. Betsy Sugg, wife of Samuel Sugg, Dec'd., aged 04 years.

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WE ARE REQUESTED to announce JEFF. UTLEY as a Candidate for the office of County Court Clerk of the County of Wake, at the ensuing August Election.

WE ARE AUTHORIZED to announce CALVIN J. ROGERS, Esq., former Sheriff of the Courts, Sheriff of the County of Wake, as a Candidate for Clerk of the County Court, at the Election to be held in August next.

WE ARE REQUESTED to announce OSBORNE BOWERS, as a Candidate for Clerk of the County Court, at the ensuing August Election. If elected, he will devote himself, with untiring assiduity, to the discharge of the duties of the office

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PELEG ROGERS.

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ery. May 20th, 1853.

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