

THE SPECTATOR.

RUTHERFORDTON: FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 14, 1830.

We are happy to announce to our fellow citizens, that a Society for General Improvement, and particularly of Agriculture, has been formed in this County, consisting of upwards of one hundred Members.

Geological Curiosity. A few weeks since, while the workmen were employed in taking out the "gilt" from one of the pits in the Harris Mine, now owned by Messrs. J. & E. Patton, three posts were discovered just at the top of the slate formation, and below the stratum of flint rocks which contains the gold.

Another New Mine. A deposit mine has been lately opened on the lands of Mr. Thomas Jeans, on Second Broad river in this county, and which has been leased by Mr. Charles Hill, who has employed four hands, for two weeks past, and averaged 102 dwts. per week—worth \$81.60; making the proceeds of four hands for two weeks, \$163.20.

Locusts. The number of these insects that have made their appearance in this and the adjoining counties to the east and south, has never been equaled since the recollection of the oldest citizens of our county.

Sharp Judging. At a foot-race, not long since, nor far distant from this place, for a considerable purse—the judges gave a decision in favor of one of the parties of one inch and an half!

lowest orders in Greece. But if Aristophanes and Athenians mean this identical animal, at one time it seems to have been sought after as a delicacy, and publicly sold. St. Jerom, who lived in the fifth century, speaks of the "Orientals and inhabitants of Libya eating locusts, where they appear in immense clouds."

The following description of the Locust is extracted from Nicholson's Encyclopedia: GRYLUS, in natural history, the locust, grasshopper and cricket, a genus of insects belonging to the order Hemiptera.

Among the most numerous species, is the gryllus migratorius of Linnaeus, or common migratory locust, which of all the insects capable of injuring mankind, seems to possess the most dreadful powers of destruction.

It will be seen by these tables, that in the first year of Mr. Adams' Administration, the expenditures of Government exceeded the appropriations by \$693,260 00, while in the first year of Gen. Jackson's Administration, the expenditures fell short of the appropriations by \$712,188 86; and in the year 1829, there was paid of the Public Debt \$288,456 00 more than was paid in 1825, and the balance remaining in the Treasury was upwards of \$450,000 more than remained in the Treasury in 1825.

The Opposition prints are not satisfied that Mr. Hill has been stripped of his Comptroller's Office.—They are now attempting to filch him of his good name, by charges the most extravagant and the most unfounded.—We speak of them in this way, because we know Mr. Hill.—But a few weeks have passed away, since his neighbors, the most distinguished republicans of the State of New Hampshire, who have traced his political course, and are acquainted with his private character, have borne the highest public tribute to his worth, his services, his integrity, and his abilities.

A writer from Washington gives this account of the proceedings of our delegation in regard to the Jefferson dinner. "The Pennsylvania Delegation, it is understood, had purchased tickets, with an intention to attend the dinner. One of them, however, struck perhaps with a sudden suspicion that there was something wrong in agitation, asked one of his colleagues if he was sure there was no devilry at the bottom of it.

We would tender our thanks to Messrs. CARSON and CONNER for copies of several public documents with which they have politely furnished us.

The Murder. The Salem Register says, that nothing has yet transpired which affords any clue to the assassin. It is ascertained, however, that on two different nights previous to the night of the murder, a man was seen about the premises of Mr. White, under circumstances which leaves no doubt that he had some evil designs.

The Secretary of the Treasury has addressed a letter to the Chairman of the Committee on Retrenchment containing a "statement of the Receipts and Expenditures of the United States, from the 4th March 1789 to 31st December 1829, with a statement of the annual appropriations during the same period," and which has been printed by order of Congress.

The whole expenditures of Government since 4th March 1789 to 31st Dec. 1829 are \$753,297,124 34, that is, on account of the Civil List \$32,400,706 44; Foreign Intercourse \$23,225,074 49; Miscellaneous \$26,991,517 23; for Military Services, including Fortifications, Armies, Armories Ordinance, Internal Improvement &c. \$175,489,957 86; for Revolutionary Pensions \$14,174,374 33; for other Pensions \$6,119,172 44; on account of the Indian Department \$10,520,582 57; for the Navy Establishment \$101,656,137 64; and in payment of the Public Debt \$362,719,701 34.

The following tables will show the appropriations and also the balance, in the Treasury of each year, from 1824 to 1829 inclusive:

Table with columns: Year, Appropriations, Expenditures. Rows for 1824, 1825, 1826, 1827, 1828, 1829.

Of these sums there was paid On act. of the Pub. Debt. Bal. in Treas'y 1824 \$16,568,393 76 \$1,945,597 13 1825 12,095,344 78 5,261,650 43 1826 11,041,082 19 6,341,686 18 1827 10,003,668 39 6,666,286 11 1828 12,163,438 07 5,972,435 80 1829 12,383,800 77 5,668,540 44

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The bill for the relief of the widows and orphans of the late officers, seamen and marines of the sloop of war Hornet, has passed both Houses of Congress, and was approved by the Executive of the 24 ult. It provides— That the widows, if any such there be, and in case there be no widow, the child or children; and if there be no child, then the parent or parents; and if there be no parent, then the brothers and sisters of the officers, seamen and marines, who were in the service of the United States; and lost in the United States' sloop of war Hornet, shall be entitled to, and receive, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, a sum equal to six months pay of their respective deceased relatives, aforesaid, in addition to the pay due to the deceased, on the 10th day of September last, up to which day the arrears of pay due to the deceased, shall be allowed and paid by the accounting officers of the Navy Department.

The Albany papers state that a political meeting of the Farmers, Merchants and working men, was held at the Capitol in that city lately. The number assembled is said to have been very great, and Erastus Root was unanimously nominated as candidate for the office of Governor. No nomination was made for Lieutenant Governor. An address was adopted, and a number of resolutions passed.

A distinguished Phrenologist writes from Vienna, that he had examined the head of young NAPOLEON and found the moral organs of benevolence, firmness and justice, strongly developed; the animal organs of combativeness and destructiveness were very small.

There are said to be 500 habitual drunkards in Albany, and 2000 persons who practice total abstinence. The Will of Mr. White, who was lately murdered at Salem, has been made public. He left \$141,000 in legacies to various relatives; and the remainder of his property, about \$250,000, was left to the Hon. Stephen White. No trace of the murderer has yet been discovered.

A friend has presented us with a quill, 20 1-2 inches in length, taken from the wing of an Eagle, caught in a wolf trap in Connecticut township, a few days since, which measured 7 feet 4 inches between the points of the wings.

Lead Region Curiosities. The Galena (Illinois) Journal, mentions the receipt of a piece of Honeycomb, completely petrified. The same paper states that a piece of cedar had been dug up in the neighborhood 24 feet below the surface of the earth.

A gigantic enterprize is about to be attempted in Holland, that of draining the Lake Haulaem, which covers 50,000 acres.

A new Marriage act. By the late marriage act in the state of N. York, which went into effect the first of January last, it is provided by the second section, that "Every male that shall have attained the full age of seventeen years, and every female who shall have attained the full age of fourteen years, shall be capable, in law, of contracting marriage."

Monument to Clinton. A number of patriotic citizens have it in contemplation to erect a monument to the memory of this Great Man, and they requested Mr. Coffee, the sculptor, to make a model for such a work. He has conformed to their request, and has finished an elegant model in clay, which he invites the members of the legislature and citizens generally, to call and see.

Mourning apparel. The Baptist Society in Hartford, Conn. have voted that it is inexpedient for them longer to continue the practice of wearing mourning garments upon the loss of friends.

"I am a true Hollander," said De Witt, a celebrated Republican of the 16th century—"I always call a spade a spade, and hate indirect paths." He was so indignant at fraud, that he recommended bankrupts suspected of concealing their effects to be put to the rack. He would have employment enough in these days, in carrying his recommendations into effect.

Steam boat Property in the West. A writer in the New Orleans Argus of the 12th ult. states, that there is now employed about three millions of dollars, of capital, in steamboat property, on the waters of the Ohio and Mississippi.

The present debt of the city of Cincinnati is upwards of ninety-seven thousand dollars. A lady in Norfolk, Va. lately found an egg of the size of a cherry stone, but without a yolk, within another which she was eating.

STATE OF THE THERMOMETER

Table with columns: Days, Sun Rise, 10 A.M., 1 P.M., 8. Set. Rows for Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday.

THE MARKETS.

Charleston, S.C. April 26. Cotton—short staple, 9 a 104; Corn 45 a 47. Oats—32 a 38. Peas—60. Beeswax—18 cents. Tallow—Carolina, 8 a 85. Bacon—74. Hams—8 a 10. Lard—7 a 74. Butter—Goshen, 18 a 20; inferior, 8 a 124 cents. Bagging—Dundee and Inverness, 42 inch, 19 a 22; low, domestic manufacture, 14 a 18. Salt—Liverpool coarse, in bags of 4 bush, \$1.37; in bulk, 374 a 40 c. bush; Turin Island, 50. Sugar—Havana, white, 12 a 14, brown 8 a 94; Muscovado, 8 a 10; St. Croix and Jamaica, 9 a 104; New Orleans, 8 a 134; refined loaf, 17 a 22. Coffee—prime green, 13 a 134; inferior to good, 11 a 124 cts. Hyson tea—85 a 100 a 108 cts. per lb. Molasses—W. I. 26 a 27; N. Orleans, 29 a 30. Black Pepper—13. Pimento—19 cents.

Augusta May 1. Cotton—short staple, inferior to common fair, 9 a 10; prime 10 a 104. Flour—5 a 7. Bacon 8 a 10. Corn—5 a 50. Salt—65 a 73. Sugar—9 a 124. Tea—

DIED.—In Buncombe co. February last, JOHN BURKS, a native of Ireland, and followed the Virginia charcoal for a livelihood; and what is more astonishing—burned one pit not more than a year previous to his death. He knew not of a single relative he had in America. Few there be that live to see one hundred years; and this instance of old age verifies the old maxim—"once a man and twice a boy."

In Lincoln county, a few days since, MR. RODES, aged about 70 years. Mr. R. had been for many years the leading preacher of the Society of Dunkards in that neighborhood. In Salisbury on the 29th ult. Mr. John Airey, in the 66th year of his age. In Montgomery county, on the 4th ult. Mr. Robert Moss, in the 57th year of his age.

NOTICE. Meeting of the Rutherford Lyceum and Society for General Improvement—will be held at the Court House in Rutherfordton, on the fourth Monday in June next, for the Election of the Officers for the ensuing year, and such other business as may be offered. May 19, 1830. 13 tdm

DR. WILLIAM THOMAS, RESPECTFULLY informs the citizens of Burke County and its neighborhood, that he has established himself as a Practitioner of Medicine, at Harrisburg, where he is ready to attend to any calls in the way of his profession. Harrisburg, (Burke Co.) March 13, 1830. 12 t

NOTICE. THE Executors of the Estate of James Moore, will sell at public sale, in Rutherfordton, on the second Monday in June next, TWENTY-FIVE ACRES OF LAND, lying on the Widow's Branch, (waters of Cove Creek); Together with some other articles, as bedding &c. Twelve months Credit will be given, purchasers will be required to give bond and approved security before the right of property is changed. GEORGE WALTON, } Executors. JACOB MICHAL, } Rutherfordton, March 5, 1830. 12 3t

State of North Carolina, Rutherford County. Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions—April Term, 1830. Sarah M'Kinley, after Sarah Worke vs. John W. Means Adm'r and William C. Means and others, heirs of Jane Worke, deceased. Return of a Justice's execution, levied on lands.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that John Cathey and his wife Hannah C., and William Cathey and his wife Susan, heirs of Jane Worke, deceased, and defendants in this case, are not inhabitants of this State: Ordered therefore, by the Court, that publication be made six weeks successively, in the North Carolina Spectator and Western Advertiser, that the said Defendants appear at the next Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions to be held for said County, on the second Monday of July next, then and there to plead or demur, or judgment will be entered up against them by default, and their interests in the lands so levied on, ordered to be sold in satisfaction of plaintiff's demand. Copy. Teste, ISAAC CRATON, C. C. May 7, 1830. Pr. adv. \$3.50. 12 6w

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TAKEN UP, BY the subscriber living on North Packet, a small BAY HORSE, with a white spot on his right side, and about ten years old. No brands are visible. The owner is requested to come forward, prove his property, pay charges and take it away. ASPACIO EARLE. Rutherford, May 2, 1830. 12