

SALISBURY, N. C.

TUESDAY EVENING, MARCH 18, 1856.

TERMS OF THIS PAPER \$200 CASH.

FOR PRESIDENT, MILLARD FILLMORE, OF NEW YORK. FOR VICE PRESIDENT, ANDREW JACKSON DONELSON, OF TENNESSEE.

PUBLIC MEETING.

There will be a public meeting held at the Court House in this town on Saturday the 29th March, instant, at 11 o'clock, for the purposes of responding to the nomination of Messrs. FILLMORE and DONELSON, and the appointment of delegates to represent this County in the State Convention to be held in Greensborough in April, where and when it is proposed to nominate a candidate for Governor. All the friends of MILLARD FILLMORE and A. J. DONELSON, are invited to attend this meeting, to participate in its deliberations, and to consult with each other in view of the approaching campaigns.

WESTERN N. C. RAIL ROAD.

Contracts on a portion of this Road have been let out, and the notes of preparation for beginning the work are heard in many places. In a few days more, the line between this place and Statesville, will be with laborers, and the work will go on in earnest. The estimated cost of this Road from here to Statesville, we learn is near \$2,000,000 per mile—the grading, not including bridges and masonry, being about \$100,000 per mile.

It is a propitious fact worthy of note, that the Contractors are satisfied with the terms offered by the Board of Directors, and will go to work with a hearty good will. Messrs. Fisher & Simonton, who have taken several sections along the line, commenced work the next day after the letting, with 125 hands.

Dr. BISSON, Dentist, is still in our town, ready to obey professional calls. Room, at the Rowan House.

The Quarterly Law Journal.—We have received from the publisher, Mr. J. W. Randolph, of Richmond, Va., Mr. A. R. Grignon's Quarterly Law Journal for January. It is a very handsome work of about 100 pages, and is a valuable addition to the profession. We shall be pleased to show it to you. For sale, no better than physics.

We have also received from the publisher, Leonard Scott & Co., of New York, the London Quarterly Law Journal for January. These are reprints of English works. Their index pages are very valuable.

Sad and Fatal Accident.—The second son (DAVID) of Mrs. SOPHIA THOMAS, of this place, aged ten years, was killed in his vicinity yesterday morning. He had been employed by Mr. J. H. Saxe, as a cart driver, on the Western Rail Road. After the cart had been unhooked, the little boy, leaning unaccustomed to the work, it was his first tilt back, became alarmed and fell off the mule. The cart wheel ran across his breast, inflicting the injuries of which he died in the course of half an hour. The accident, so sudden and awful, has filled the widow's house with mourning, and benumbed many a sympathizing heart.

Snow.—We had a snow storm on Thursday last, which covered the ground to the depth of an inch. The earth was rather warm to hold it, and we thought for a time, old winter had misbehaved. But he kept up the battle, until finally the earth was covered, when, apparently satisfied with his achievement, he withdrew from the combat. Next day was found very fairly, and the snowy garb, which had filled the ground for a night, vanished like a puff of wind.

Convent.—Prof. J. C. Vanhook, and G. D. Carter, had Purser and V. manager gave entertainments in Murple's Hall, on Saturday and Sunday evenings.

Geological Lectures.—Professor Taylor, of New York, delivered a course of lectures in this place last week, on Geology. The great value of the science, what it could do as a moral, literary, and political agent, or for practical purposes, is being felt all over the world. We are glad, therefore, that so small a number of students should have been present, and that they should have been so attentive to the lectures.

It was not very widely predicted, that the late Mr. Saxe, a merchant and politician, would be elected to the office of Governor of this State. He was, however, elected to the office of Governor of this State, and it is believed that he will be elected to the office of Governor of this State, and it is believed that he will be elected to the office of Governor of this State.

North Carolina.—The American State Convention is to be held in Greensborough on April 10th. The Executive Convention is to meet in Raleigh on the 15th of April.

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It seems that about twelve miles above Weldon, a portion of the trestle work gave way, throwing the entire train of cars into a ravine, crushing them to pieces, and killing it is supposed, a large number of the passengers. Mr. Kilkelly, of this town, the Express agent, is said to be killed. Our correspondent writes that "there is no estimate of the extent of the injury and loss of life as yet. Only one person (a negro) had arrived at Weldon from the place where the accident occurred. His mission was to solicit aid for the wounded." Our correspondent continues: "A train is about leaving Weldon, with provisions, physicians, nurses, &c.—Nothing definite is known yet, but I sincerely hope the affair is not so fatal as it is represented. The excitement is most intense."

On the receipt of the above letter we telegraphed to Weldon for further particulars, and received the following dispatch in reply: WELDON, March 11, 1856.

The trestle bridge, twelve miles above this place, gave way, throwing the whole train down 25 feet. Both passenger and baggage cars were burnt up, including baggage and express freight. Killed—Capt. Kilkelly, Express agent; Mr. Daugherty, (Merchant) Gray and Cox, (New boys). One negro woman is supposed to have been burnt to death. Capt. Bonner, (Wagoner, English) and three or four others are badly wounded. J. E. Eckman and Miss Love, of Tennessee, are also injured. There were many passengers on the train.—W. H. Howell.

THE RAIL ROAD WENT.

We are without further details of the dreadful accident on the Salisbury and Statesville Road, as a result of which we published yesterday. We have, however, to state that the most serious condition of the trestle work, where the accident occurred, was known long before by the company, and that the attention of the proper authorities had been called to it. They have neglected to make necessary repairs, and hence the accident. A blameable carelessness, on the part of the company, is, we think, the cause of the disaster. The train was going very slowly, and the accident occurred on a curve of the road. The condition of the trestle work being known to the employees of the company.

THE PARIS PRESS AND THE UNITED STATES.

The Paris Constitutionnel, in an article which appears in its issue of the 11th inst., expresses the opinion that the United States, by the late treaty, have abandoned the principle of non-interference in the internal affairs of other nations. It is, we think, a very remarkable statement, and one which we are glad to see published. It is, we think, a very remarkable statement, and one which we are glad to see published.

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Steamboat Collision.—A collision lately occurred near Cincinnati, between two steamboats, by which twenty persons were drowned.

Political Deterioration.—Some striking comments upon the declension of ability and honesty among politicians, as exhibited during the sessions of sundry political Conventions, were recently copied into the Observer from a New York paper of high standing. The same declension is exhibited in other quarters—not only among the men who go to Congress, but among the men who go to the State Conventions, or hold office, but among the men who go to Congress, but among the men who go to the State Conventions, or hold office, but among the men who go to Congress, but among the men who go to the State Conventions, or hold office.

We noticed going the rounds a letter signed by Millard Fillmore, purporting to have been written in 1852 to a New York abolition Society, expressing all the sentiments of the Taylor Convention, eight years ago. It was first published in the Washington Union, to which paper it was sent anonymously. Whether Mr. Fillmore ever wrote the letter, we neither know nor care. It is sufficient to know that throughout his career in Congress he was a thoroughly conservative National man, and that his action as President during the existing crisis of 1850 won the approval of the conservative men of all parties to whom the country was indebted for the settlement of the slavery question of that day. In consequence of his course then he is regarded now by the Northern section of the Knox Nothing party.

We regret to see that party spirit is so widely蔓延 Southern papers and speaks of the North that it is "bravest of the brave," and that the blood run cold in the veins of the very best of this exciting one with whom they are being associated. But in compliance with orders from higher authority than we have to pass upon, they marched to the place of execution early in the morning. Everything appeared in its proper manner; the witnesses appeared to report, consisting only of two men, and they were not allowed to hold upon anything but the fact of the execution. The other goes away under his emotions of grief, for fugitive fathers, refusing to see a President. At that particular crisis, the North of New York heard the word of "execution" with a shudder, as he called "execution" with a shudder, as he called "execution" with a shudder.

Report of New York Market for week ending March 11th by Dibble & Bence (Commission Merchants). COTTON.—The week ending the 11th inst. has been a week of comparative quietness in the cotton market. The demand for the staple has been moderate, and the supply has been ample. The price of the staple has been steady, and the price of the other grades has been firm.

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