CAROLINA WATCHMAN.

SALISBURY, N. C.

TUESDAY EVENING, JULY 7th, 1857

TERMS OF THIS PAPER $2.00 CASH.

We are authorized to announce A. W. Owen as a Candidate for the office of County Court Clerk for the County of Rowan.

June 23, 1857. 6t4

We are authorized to announce Mr. Thomas McNeely, as a candidate for the office of Superior Court Clerk, for the County of Rowan.

May 12, 1857. 2mosp'd-50

We are authorized to announce James L. Kerr, as a candidate for re-election, for the County Court Clerk's office of Rowan County.

June 30, 1857. 5t3

☞ REGISTER YOUR LETTERS. We have frequently heard the wish made, that by letters to their names Registered. To such the following would afford what is suggested in writing this, can send an order from the Postmaster at the office where the letters are to be mailed.

FOURTH OF JULY.

This day was celebrated in this place, with good time and appropriate honors. It was a pleasant day, and the ceremonies were all harmoniously performed. A very large concourse of people were in attendance, and seemed to enjoy the occasion.

The day was ushered in, by the peals of the Independence Salute. At 10 o'clock the procession was formed, near Murphy's Hall, and moved thence through the principal streets of the Town. Having at length, reached the Courthouse, as many as could, entered, and the exercises commenced. The Chief Marshall announced the programme: Prayer, by the Rev. Mr. Bittle.—Music.—Reading of the American Declaration of Independence, by N. N. Dryer, Esq.—Music.—Reading of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, by Doctor Mangum.—Music.—Oration, by B. F. Moore, Esq.—Music, &c. All the ceremonies were very well performed. The Oration was long, but highly appropriate and effective. The Music was good and well executed. The Secretary hears Band acquitted itself well.

The ceremonies having ended at the Courthouse, the procession again formed in front of same, and returned to the point from which it had started, and dismissed.

At 4 o'clock, P. M., according to appointment, the Salisbury Rifle Guards appeared again upon the streets, and marched directly to the Grove in the rear of Mr. Fisher's residence, for the purpose of *dress parading*. We never saw such *fine* looking, but we were very much pleased with the soldierly appearance of the fine young men who form the company. Their movements were executed with astonishment. "Why forget that I am the Prime Minister. Everybody else takes especial care to remember it; but I wish they would forget it, for they only remember it to ask me for places or favors. Now, Mr. Black, you never ask me for anything; and I wish you would, for seriously I am miserably unhappy to be doing anything in my power to serve you." "I am truly obliged," said Mr. Black, "but I don't want anything. I am editor of the Morning Chronicle. I like my business, and I live happy on my income." "Much," said the poet, "I envy you; after you are the only man I ever met who

Age of Oysters.—A London oysterman cuts to the age of his oysters nicely. He says of an oyster that has grown by sticking into the mouth. It bears its years upon its back. Everybody who has eaten an oyster must have noticed the several circular ridges of the shell, one succeeding the other, and each of them marking a year's growth. By counting these rings we can determine at a glance the exact age of the creature came into the market. Up to the time of its maturity the rings are regular and successive, but after that time they are irregular and unequal. Sometimes the oyster, perhaps the better to protect itself, throws out two or three rings in a year, and sometimes for a year or two it throws out none at all. In such cases, if left to its natural change undisturbed, it attains a patriarchal longevity.

Another Escape in Missouri.—The St. Anthony Min. Express speaks of the encampment of a grasshopper army in that region as follows:

"The region around Minneiella is literally alive with grasshoppers. Never before did we see so many of these pests. They crackled under one's feet like hail stones. Indeed there was no such thing as avoiding them; where ever way one turned he was sure to see them. The farmers are literally losing immense damages, and unless they speedily emigrate, must devour every green thing on Wright county."

There is a girl in Troy whose lips are so sweet that they stick together every morning by the honey they distil, and she cannot open her mouth until she has parted her lips with a silver knife. She wears a treasure to her husband, but because she can occasionally keep her mouth shut.

☞ Mr. Hinton R. Helper, of Salisbury, has published a book, entitled "The Impending Crisis of the South—How to Meet It," which the New York *Evening Post*, an abolition organ, warmly commends. Helper is following the lead of Greeley & Holbrook, and is endeavoring to put money in his purse by turning traitor to the land of his birth. He is a native of North Carolina.—*Wilmington Herald.*

The American Party have, within a few days past been successful in three closely contested elections, viz: the Judge of the Court of Appeals in the State of Kentucky, the municipal election in Memphis, and the city election in Norfolk, Virginia.

Col. Puryear.—The democracy are bent on defeating this gentleman if possible. We confidently believe that *no* effort will be spared to this end. Misrepresentation and abuse are means which the party has resorted to, for this purpose, as well by those outside of his district as those within it. The Raleigh *Standard* is devoting all its powers against the Colonel. No man was ever more thoroughly beset by outsiders. None was ever more bitterly assailed by partizan neighbors, or opponents in his own district. But these are opposed by those who have known him long and well, and who are fully aroused to the importance of exerting themselves to secure his re-election. The democracy are counting upon a falling off in the Whig and American vote in the counties of Iredell, Alexander and Davidson. Mark that friends of Puryear, and look well to his interest in your respective counties.

A Smart One.—A gentleman in the Western part of this County, has a Cow which has dropped *five calves* within about 12 months time. The two first, now a year old, are very fine, and "exactly alike." Only one of the *three last*, which were dropped a few days ago, is living.

The N. C. and Virginia Railway.—The *Standard* says, it has been written to by several persons interested in this scheme, concerning the bill, which it was thought, passed the last Legislature, chartering the above road;—that the Secretary of State says, no such law ever came into his office, and that the journals sustain him. In fine, that if such a law was passed by the Legislature, those having it in charge failed to see it enrolled and ratified, and was consequently overlooked in the confusion attendant on the closing scenes of the session, and was so lost, &c. So, after all, there is no charter for the Salisbury, Mocksville and Virginia rail road.

From the Raleigh Register.

SUPREME COURT.

The following opinions have been delivered since our last report:

Pe Curiam, C. J. In Holland v. Smith, from Person, affirming the judgment below. Also, in Atkins v. McCormick, from Harnett. Also, in State v. Harper, a slave, from Bladen, declaring there is no error in the judgment below. Also, in Taylor v. Taylor, in equity, from Anson, reversing the bill with costs.

By Pearson, J. In Taylor v. Wilson & M. R. A. Comp. from New Hanover, affirming the judgment of Alexander Barnes, in equity, v. Windley, from Brunswick, directing decree for plaintiff. Also, in Wiswall v. C. & R. Plank road Company, in equity, from Beaufort, overruling the demurrer. Also, in Taylor v. Kelly, in equity, from Moore, directing a reference, &c.

By Battle, J. In White & Jones v. Pool, from Bertie, directing a venire de novo. Also, in State v. Stanley, from Columbus, directing a venire de novo. Also, in *Ex parte* Watkins v. Eason, from Stanly, affirming the judgment. Also, in McLaran v. Melvin, in equity, from New Hanover; interlocutory order to be reversed with costs.

Cars Thrown off the Track.—The night train due at this place at 12 o'clock, on Sunday last, was thrown partially off the track, by rocks being placed upon it by two negroes. Two obstructions were placed at Rock Creek culvert, one of the most dangerous places for such an accident on the road—the fill being over 60 feet. The fore wheels of the engine were thrown off the track upon the sills—which broke the cow catcher, tore up several sills and bent the running bar, fortunately nothing further was damaged. The train stopping directly over the culvert.

The negroes were brought here on Monday at 5 o'clock, when the train arrived, and lodged in jail. On Tuesday they were tried and sentenced to receive thirty-nine lashes. They were conditionally sold before the trial, and as the Council for N. C. Railroad, R. P. Dick, Esq., was not satisfied with the decision, they will, no doubt take a railroad ride themselves very soon—"way down South—*Greensborough Times, July 2.*

We Want Fair Play.—The Washington Union publishes a telegraphic report of the proceedings of the Democratic Convention in Georgia, but suppresses that portion of the narrative which tells of the resolutions denunciatory of Walker's Kansas policy.

Are the Democracy of Georgia to be repudiated by the Administration? Is it by such artifices as this that the Union intends to deceive the country as to the sentiment of the South? Gentlemen, give us fair play.—*The South.*

Earthquake in Louisiana.—Mr. J. H. Martin, a reliable gentleman, informs us that on the night of the 21st of June, he felt, very sensibly, the evidences of an earthquake, at the residence of Mr. John Richardson, near Pellar Springs, in the upper part of this district. It occurred between nine and ten o'clock, and was also felt by his sister. Mr. John Pickett, living near Knight's Bridge, also states that the shock was so great that it awoke him, and on "making a light in the room, he could see the house shaking." Mr. Martin, fearing he might be deceived, was reluctant to disclose the fact, until he found many other persons had felt the shock.—*Louisville Herald.*

Rather Hard on Doctoring.—One of the most eminent French physicians and physiologists says medicine is a great humbug. Magendie, whose treatises are regarded as standard works the world over, says he knows nothing about medicine, and don't know any body that does know anything about it. In one of his lectures he asks,

Who can cure the gout, or any diseases of the heart? Nobody. O! you tell me that doctors cure people—I grant you people are cured. But how are they cured? Gentlemen, nature does a great deal. Doctors do very little—when they don't do harm. Let me tell you, gentlemen, what I did when I was head physician at the Hotel Dieu. Some three or four thousand patients passed through my hands every year. I divided the patients into two classes, with one I followed the dispensary and gave the usual medicines, without having an idea of why or wherefore; to the other I gave bread pills and colored water, without, of course, letting them know anything about it, and—exclusive gentlemen, I would create a third division, to whom I gave nothing whatever.—These last would feel they were neglected, as sick people always feel neglected, unless they are well drugged—the boluses and they would irritate themselves until they got sick, but nature invariably came to the rescue, and all persons in this third class got well. There was little mortality among those who received but bread pills and colored water, and the mortality was greatest among those who were carefully drugged according to the dispensary.

An Abolitionist Quizzed.—Under this caption, a Hot Springs, Miss., correspondent of the Memphis *Eagle and Enquirer* relates the story that follows:

The following amusing scene actually occurred last Sunday between a citizen of this town and a Yankee on board one of the Northern steamboats, perhaps upon Hatteras.

Our Southern friend is seated in the pantry of the boat, quietly enjoying himself on a fine Sunday morning, and the boat being detained by a fog, he is compelled to remain in that locality, and the only company with which we can class him is in Salem. One gentleman, whose breakfast will soon commence him again to carry about the dimensions of a hogshead, is conversing with a good looker, which he has met on all his previous trips for the last seven years. He imported it from Liverpool in 1819, it has been serviceable ever since, all the intervening period. Another venerable gentleman brought with him from Africa, by an unknown white man, imported in the year 1717, and which cost him five rupees, or two dollars and a half. It is so large that its new lace goods will not receive it, and is rainy Sundays, when it has sheltered two persons. It is a little original covering of India silk, and looks as if it had been through another fifty years, with as little usage as it has had heretofore.—*Salem Gazette.*

Another Row in New York—Homes attacked by a Mob.

New York, June 29th—An attack was made last night by a mob upon the Quarantine Hospital at Seguine's Point, Staten Island. It is reported that several of the police guard were killed, and the buildings fired. The sheriff reported just that the military and fire companies had proceeded to the scene.

It is stated as a fact illustrative of the character in which the business of Chicago is conducted under the Democratic Administration, that Reuben, the Democratic Treasurer, was allowed to hold an office not less than twelve months after he had absconded with the funds of the city, and was only removed from office when it was found impossible to get his bondsmen to justify for him.

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Auctioneering in New York.—Hon. Amos Dean—"The Administration, that is