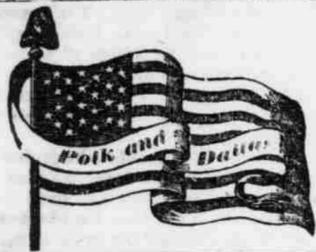


the lapse of time when connected with a vital principle. May we not trust that this mistake of our statesmen in 1819 has been ordered by a wise Providence, as a lesson for us never hereafter to dismember any portion of our Territory, or permit, under any circumstances, a foreign power to acquire a foothold on our free soil.

I have thus, my friend, delineated as rapidly and truly as I could, the views I take of the question of annexation. I shall probably not be alive to witness the consummation of any of my anticipations, but I have the consolation of knowing that I have contributed what I could to guard my country against the danger of yielding to the suggestions of those who advocate the policy aimed at by Great Britain.

I remain as usual, your friend,
ANDREW JACKSON.
Moses Dawson, Esq.



TARBOROUGH:

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1844.

FOR PRESIDENT,

James K. Polk, of Tennessee.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT,

George M. Dallas, of Penn.

Democratic Electors.

First District	Thomas Bragg,
Second do.	Henry I. Toole,
Third do.	A. W. Venable,
Fourth do.	George Whitfield,
Fifth do.	William S. Ashe,
Sixth do.	David Reid,
Seventh do.	Joseph Allison,
Eighth do.	D. W. Courts,
Ninth do.	W. J. Alexander,
Tenth do.	George Bower,
Eleventh do.	

(Election on Monday, 4th Nov. 1844.)

Execution.—On yesterday, Harry Lane was executed near this place, for the murder of John Bedford. An immense concourse of men, women, and children attended, as is usual on such occasions. Lane appeared deeply affected, more so than was generally expected from his hardened conduct heretofore—and we learn that he recently expressed deep contrition for his manifold crimes and misdemeanors. Lane is said to be the first white man ever hung in this county.

Betting.

Some time during our last Court it was currently reported that a wealthy Capitalist of an adjoining county had deposited in the Tarboro' Bank \$5,000 to bet on Clay's election, and the pretended Agent of said Capitalist actually said such was the fact. It soon spread abroad, and was used as an electioneering instrument, that the "State of Edgewood," so renowned for her democracy, was under the hack, and had no confidence in the cause. This was industriously circulated in the adjoining counties, to the injury of democracy. Under these circumstances, with a determination to suffer no brow beating and to test the truth, a club of gentlemen subscribed a certain amount of money, and called on the Agent of the pretended \$5,000 bet, and told him they wanted to bet on Polk's election, and were prepared to "size his pile" if he would name it. When lo and behold, he took only a \$100 bet. The great Capitalist the next day made his appearance, said he had bet enough, and withdrew his banter. A fine specimen of Mr. Clay's favorite game of brag.

We as before protest against betting as immoral, and would prevent it if we could. But when a banter is made under our noses, and bragged of here and in adjoining counties to make political capital, we are glad to see it exposed. We have every assurance from the signs of the times of the election of Polk and Dallas, and we claim the right to express that opinion without being called on to "back our judgments" with a bet. There are many in the community willing to risk a small sum on the result of the election. But a proposition to bet \$5,000 is a sheer attempt to crow, as the very few who are able to raise that sum have more discretion than to gamble it away.

It is in this light we view the proposition in the last Roanoke Advocate to bet \$5,000 on the election. If the person making the proposition really has that amount

of money, and desires to stake it on the result of the election, let him divide it into small sums "to suit customers," and he will get it all taken. But to propose a sum of that amount in any community in North Carolina, confines the takers to a few monied men, who generally don't indulge in betting, and is therefore a sheer attempt to brag—a regular whig game.

We have no "British gold" in Edgewood. The money we have has been gathered by the sweat of the brow, and altho' we can raise as much money as any of the adjoining counties, or some of the whig States, we can find better investment for it than betting it away. If we can't bet as high, we can use more substantial arguments in our behalf; and declining to take a bet either large or small, is no evidence of want of confidence in our cause. We know we have the best men for candidates, their claims are supported by the best arguments, and we have every prospect of success; which assures us that those who have the folly to bet on Clay's election, will have to rue the loss of both their candidate and their money.

Mr. Clay.

Mr. Clay has been styled "the complete letter writer," from the great number and diversity of his letters. Within a few weeks past they were showered in the country with a profusion that defied the ability of his friends to publish them. They exhibited all the hues of the rainbow to suit the various latitudes they might reach. Like a drowning man catching at straws, shows his desperation, but gives him no assistance. But he has now written a sort of finale or valedictory to the National Intelligencer, saying that is "positively his last." So we shall hear no more from him, till he reaches the head waters of Salt River in November next; where he is destined with a crew of as many hues and colors as adorned the many "colored coat of Joseph"—"puritans and black legs"—"ebony and topaz"—the sainted Frelinghuysen with the notorious John Bots.

Mr. Clay has shone heretofore as the orator, he is now figuring in the new character of letter writer; and from present appearances, his correspondence from the head waters of Salt River will form a new era in epistolary performances.

Maryland Elections.

In all the calculations we have seen, Whig and Democratic, Maryland has been classed among the "certain Clay States." The election for Governor and members of the Legislature took place last Tuesday, we have seen as yet no returns; but a gentleman who came by the Rail-Road informs us that Baltimore has given a democratic majority of 1300. If so, we may contrary to our expectations, put Maryland among the Polk States. But that is threatening Mr. Clay with too bad a beating. We want him to get some other State besides Vermont and Kentucky. But from present prospects he will receive the same Jackson defeat he did in 1832.

FOR THE TARBORO' PRESS.

Mr. Editor: There was great Barbecue and Fox Hunt at Leach bridge, on Tuesday last, given by Spencer L. Hart, Robert Wimberley, Henry Hyman, & Richard Harrison, Esqrs. The Fox Hunt contained 56 men, 52 dogs, besides the deer hunters who came in without any venison. Two Foxes were caught. The company contained 53 Democrats, 3 Whigs, the Whigs out hallooing the balance, and could have given Harris 1, and beat him 4.

FOX HUNT.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Extract of a letter dated
Smithfield, N. C. Octo. 2nd, 1844.
Our cause is onward in this county—POLK & DALLAS forever—Shall we despair? "No, never!"

Johnston County.—We learn that James Fambleson, Esq. and Col. McLeod are the candidates for the Senate in Johnston to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Ransom Saunders, Esq. Johnston is an undoubted democratic County. To our friends there we say, your election is an important one. Its result may tie the Senate. Work like men, for the eyes of the democrats in other counties are upon you.—*Raleigh Standard.*

Texas.—We have no news certainly confirmatory of the intention of the Mexican army to invade Texas. Death is making havoc in some parts of Texas. Mr. Howard, our Charge to that government recently departed this life, which makes the fourth Minister from the United States who has fallen there. The crops are very fine.—*Newbernian.*

The negro boy who was arrested on suspicion of burning the U. S. Mint at Charlotte, has been discharged by Judge Pearson for the want of evidence to commit him for trial.—*ib.*

A Villain—Look out for him.—A fellow of quite an ordinary appearance, arrived here on Saturday night last in the stage and registered his name at the Edenton Hotel, "J. C. Martin, South Mills." He was recognized, however, on Sunday, by the Captain of a Canal Boat from Norfolk, as being the individual who broke jail in Richmond not long since, where he was confined for kidnapping and selling a free negro, and whose real name is James Cox. On Monday morning, after some delay, it was determined by the citizens to arrest him; but he had, no doubt, by this time, been apprized of the fact, and he left town immediately, by jumping a few fences in the rear lot of the tavern. As soon as it became known that he had disappeared, a posse of men proceeded in search of him, and once got sight of him, but by keen dodging (at which no doubt he is in full practice,) he succeeded in evading them.

The rascal, having left his trunk at the tavern, had the audacity to send for it, (by remitting the money to pay his tavern bill,) on Tuesday night by the stage. It was not sent, but broken open, and found to contain a bowie knife, a dirk, a pistol well charged, some cotton cloth torn in slips and tied together, two or three small ropes, a few articles of clothing, several letters from his wife in Norfolk, and a brief statement of his villainous acts since his escape from the Richmond jail, written and signed by himself.—*Edenton Sentinel.*

There is a young lady living at or near Flemingsburg, Ky., who has, it is said, attained to the height of seven feet four inches. "The lovely Marcia towers above her sex." Some twenty years ago there was a negro woman about the same height residing at Washington, known by the euphonic title of the "Devil's Darning Needle."

A letter published in the Charleston Mercury says: A new disease of the congestive character, and the common scarlet fever, have carried more to the grave in the last six months in Tennessee, than ever was known in so many years. In the neighborhood of Jonesboro' 400 died in five months.

PROSPECTUS OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL.

Our Country, Liberty, and God.

DAVID FULTON, Editor.

ALFRED L. PRICE, Printer.

Terms—\$2 50 if paid in advance; \$3 00 at the end of three months; \$3 50 at the expiration of the year—No paper discontinued until all arrearages are paid, except at the option of the publishers.

HAVING been induced, at the solicitation of some of the members of the Democratic party, to take charge of the Republican Press in this place, we will hereafter, on every Friday morning, issue a Democratic paper, under the above title, at the office of the late "Wilmington Messenger," in the town of Wilmington.

As we have given a brief outline of the principles the "Journal" will advocate in our first number, we think it unnecessary again to reiterate the political doctrines it will be our constant and earnest endeavor to inculcate. On the present occasion, therefore, we will merely state, that the "Journal" will be the uncompromising opponent of each and every "link" in the whole of the "great chain" of Whig measures—a United States Bank—a Protective Tariff—the Bankrupt Act—Internal Improvements by the General Government, &c. &c.—While on the other hand, it will, so far as our humble abilities will enable us, be the firm friend and supporter of the Constitution as it was left us by our fathers; and of a strict construction of that Constitution, thereby ensuring the rights of the several States which compose Confederacy. But we set out with the idea of not going into details. It would be a needless tax upon the reader's time. Suffice it to say, that the "Journal" will be a DEMOCRATIC PAPER, and will always advocate Democratic men and Democratic measures.

Although the "Journal" will be a political paper, yet, in order that it may also be agreeable to the general reader, its columns will always be open to such items of intelligence as will be interesting to the Farmer, the Merchant, the Mechanic, &c. Agriculture, Trade, the state of the Markets, &c., together with a slight glance at polite literature occasionally, will receive our attention.

We hope we will not be considered too personal in our remarks when we offer a few suggestions to our friends touching the necessity there exists for keeping on foot a Democratic press in the town of Wilmington.

In the first place, Wilmington is a place of the greatest commercial importance of any in the State: it is situated in a Democratic district: there is a great deal of intercourse carried on by the citizens of the lower portion of the State with this place, and consequently a Press here would be calculated to do as much good, in diffusing information, as perhaps at any other point in the State. Again, there are, we believe, three Federal to every one Democratic pa-

per in the State, and this we feel confident, is the reason why North Carolina placed a Whig in her gubernatorial Chair at our recent election: for we feel assured that it only requires a fair comparison to be instituted between the policy of the Federal and Democratic parties to ensure for the latter the most triumphant success. Well now, it is impossible for a Press to be kept up unless our friends will patronize it by subscribing themselves and inducing others to "go and do likewise." For, gentle reader, we suppose you are aware, and if you are not, we will tell you, that Printers and Editors are so far like other mortals that it requires something more than air to feed and kind wishes to clothe them. Therefore, we hope that every Democrat into whose hands this Prospectus may fall, will do all he can to insure the success of the "Journal" and the cause of Democracy.

DAVID FULTON.

Wilmington, N. C., Sept. 21, 1844.

FOR THE TARBORO' PRESS.

Mr. Howard: The Editor of the Raleigh Register, by travel and observation, says he has superior opportunities of forming an opinion as to the result of the Presidential election, and assures his reader the following States are CERTAIN for Clay: viz: Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, N. Carolina, Georgia, Louisiana, Ohio, Indiana, Tennessee and Kentucky.

Doubtful... Virginia, Missouri, Michigan, Mississippi.

Certain Polk States— Maine, New Hampshire, South Carolina, Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois.

Now I know not whether the Editor gives this assurance to rouse the drooping spirits of Whiggery, or to discourage Democracy. And to test his sincerity or judgment, I will bet him or any other whig the following bets on his certainties.

1st Bet. \$10. On each of the Western and So. Western States, viz: Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee and Kentucky.

2nd. \$20. On each of the Southern States of Virginia, No. Carolina, So. Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Louisiana.

3rd. \$10 to \$20. On each of the Northern and Eastern States, viz: Vermont, Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Maryland.

4th. \$50 to \$25. Clay is not elected by the Electoral Maj of Harrison and \$25 even, Clay is beaten by Polk.

5th. \$20. Clay does not receive the popular vote of Harrison in 1840.

6th. \$20. That Polk comes nearer Van Buren's popular votes, than Clay does Harrison's in 1840.

These bets are made small to enable one person to take all. But the amount will be increased to any reasonable amount for accommodation.

As soon as the Editor is notified of the acceptance of these bets, the money shall be staked.

TEXAS.

MARRIED.
At the residence of Mr. Jacob Higgs, in Halifax county, on Wednesday evening, 25th ult. by Whitmill Hill, Esq. Mr. Spier Pitman, to Miss Harriet Wiley Higgs, daughter of Wiley Higgs, dec'd.

DIED.
In this place, on Sunday last, aged 15 years, John, son of William Dancy, dec'd, late of this county.

At his residence in this county, on Wednesday 25th ult., David S. Baker Esq., aged 31 years, leaving a widow with five small children to lament their loss.

He retained entire possession of his mental faculties to the last moment, and continued to arrange his worldly matters, until he had finished his course in this world, then left it, in perfect resignation to the will of heaven, with a full assurance of a happy immortality.

His remains were followed to the place of interment, by a large concourse of neighbors and friends, and the deep gloom which pervaded the assemblage, evinced the high estimation in which he was held.

Communicated.
In Greene county, William Vine-Speight, a sweet child, aged three years six months and nine days, son of Edwin G. Speight, Esq. He departed this life Wednesday 25th inst., and is gone I hope to a better world.—*Com.*

N. M. Martin & Donnans,
Petersburg, Virginia,
OFFER FOR SALE

COTTON BAGGING, BALE ROPE, SUGAR, COFFEE, &c.,
And will give particular attention to the sale of all PRODUCE sent them.
October 3d, 1844.

NEW GOODS.

R. H. & S. PEPPER,

INFORM their friends and the public, that they have just received, their FALL SUPPLY of

Fancy and Staple
DRY GOODS,



GROCERIES, &c.

Which they are disposed to sell, or barter, on the most liberal and accommodating terms. Those desirous of obtaining GOODS on advantageous terms, will please give them a call before purchasing elsewhere.

Tarboro', Oct. 4, 1844.

MONEY!

MONEY!! MONEY!!!

At SPARTA STILL, for

TURPENTINE

OF ALL KINDS—

Washington N.C. Price

By deducting the Freight.

JOAB P. PITT.

2nd Oct. 1844.

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Flour! Flour!!

THE subscriber offers for sale, superior fine flour of superior quality, at \$5 and \$5 50 per barrel—CASH

GEO. HOWARD.

Oct. 4, 1844.

Notice.

THE UNDERSIGNED in obedience to a decree of the Superior Court of Equity, will offer for sale, at the Court House door in the town of Tarboro', on Tuesday the 26th of November, (being Court week) the lands bequeathed to John, Joshua Lawrence and T. M. Lawrence, by the last will and testament of Joshua Lawrence, dec'd. Containing



About three-hundred Acres,

And adjoining the lands of Richard Harrison and Robert Foxhall, dec'd. Terms Twelve months credit. The purchaser to give bond with approved security.

KENELM H. LEWIS, C.M.E.

Oct. 2, 1844.

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Notice.

THE subscriber will offer at public sale, with a reserved bid, at the same time and place, on which the land of Joshua Lawrence, dec'd, is to be sold, if not previously disposed of at private sale, the Tract of Land, adjoining that Tract, in the Fork of Fishing Creek and Tar River,



Containing about 410 Acres,

Well adapted to the culture of Cotton, Corn, Peas, &c., with an excellent range for Cattle and hogs—well timbered, convenient to water transportation, &c. Terms will be made accommodating.

JOSHUA L. LAWRENCE.

Oct. 2, 1844.

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List of Letters,

Remaining in the Post Office at Tarboro', the 1st of Oct. 1844, which if not taken out before the 1st of Jan. next, will be sent to the General Post Office as dead letters.

Adams Henry	Hendricks A. L.
Bradley Littleberry	Harris George
Bradley Willie	Jones Mary L. Miss
Bradley Lydia Mrs.	Johnson W. Mrs.
Cromwell P. S.	Johnston Charles Dr.
Cooper B. Elder	Jenkins Josiah D.
Curtis Lewis	Johnston John W.
Campbell F. Miss	King Henry
Cotten L. P. Mrs.	Killebrew G. W.
Cotten F. R.	Lee William C. (2)
Cotten John W.	Mayo John
Dancy John Mrs.	Morgan Henry
Edwards John A.	Phillips S. L. Miss
Exum Mary Mrs.	Pearce Samuel Rev.
Exum M. A. Miss	Pucci Camello
Elmor Josiah	Pender Josiah S. (2)
Edmonson Alfred	Staton Author
Edge James H.	Sym Bennet T.
Elinor James	Sym John Dr.
Eason E. Miss	Taft & Brother
Eason A. J. Capt.	Underhill George
Ellis Gray	Vick Penia
Garrett S. E. Miss	Vick Bennoni
Hunter C. G. (2)	Williams Mc W. H.
Hopkins Henry A.	Yarborough R. F.
Hines Peter	

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