



TARBOROUGH:

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 1846.

FOR GOVERNOR,
JAMES B. SHEPARD,
OF WAKE COUNTY.

Declaration of War.

We find in the Union the following important document:—

By the President of the United States of America,

A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas the Congress of the United States, by virtue of the constitutional authority vested in them, have declared by their act, bearing date this day, that, "by the act of the republic of Mexico, a state of war exists between that government and the United States;"

Now, therefore, I, JAMES K. POLK, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the same to all whom it may concern, and I do specially enjoin on all persons holding offices, civil or military, under the authority of the United States, that they be vigilant and zealous in discharging the duties respectively incident thereto: and I do moreover exhort all the good people of the United States, as they love their country, as they feel the wrongs which have forced on them the last resort of injured nations, and as they consult the best means, under the blessing of Divine Providence, of abridging its calamities, that they exert themselves in preserving order, in promoting concord, in maintaining the authority and efficacy of the laws, and in supporting and invigorating all the measures which may be adopted by the constituted authorities for obtaining a speedy, a just, and an honorable peace.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed to [L. s.] these presents. Done at the city of Washington the thirteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six, and of the independence of the United States the seventh.

JAMES K. POLK.

By the President:

JAMES BUCHANAN, Secretary of State.

We have reports by passengers on the Rail Road, that a battle had been fought in which 700 Mexicans were killed, and only one American—and, that a detachment of 200 volunteers, on their way to join Gen. Taylor, had been surrounded by the Mexicans and taken prisoners.

The Union says: We are rejoiced to learn by this evening's mail, that Captain Seth B. Thornton, and Lieutenant Mason, with two dragoons, had arrived safe in Gen. Taylor's camp. Capt. Thornton, discovering the ambuscade too late to retreat, had plunged gallantly through the enemy's ranks, and cut his way with his own sword, with a boldness and intrepidity that is almost incredible.

Blue Lights revived.

It must be mortifying in the extreme to every lover of his country, whether democratic, whig, or what not, to see recorded in the public journals sentiments like the following, emanating from persons holding high and dignified stations—at a time too, when a glow of patriotic fire is pervading the Union from one extremity to the other. They show too plainly that the ancient, and modern federal spirit is not extinct, maugre all the deceptive and specious coverings that are assumed to conceal its hideous deformity. In a debate in the House of Representatives, on the 13th inst., in the course of some remarks, in reply to Mr. Delano of Ohio, Mr. Douglass observed:

"I commend the patriotism, if not the morality, of the sentiment which he quoted at the beginning, and repeated several times in the course of his speech: 'I go for my country, right or wrong.' I fear, however that this sentiment, once so much approved by our countrymen, is about to be brought into disrespect and contempt by the use which the gentleman and some of his coadjutors are now making of it. They 'go for their country, right or wrong;' but they insist that their country is, and has been, all the time in the wrong.

They say that they will support the war, but that in their opinion the war is unholy, unrighteous, and damnable."

Mr. J. W. HOUSTON. Who made use of that expression? Was it any gentleman on this side of the House?

Mr. DOUGLASS. Yes, sir. The gentleman from Ohio [Mr. DELANO] who has just taken his seat, made use of the identical words, and repeated them several times with great emphasis in the course of his speech, while the great body of his political friends listened with the most profound respect, and gave every indication of approbation and encouragement, by expressions, looks, and nods of assent. I see the venerable gentleman from Massachusetts before me now nods his approval of the sentiment.

Mr. ADAMS. Yes, sir. Mr. Chairman, I approve and endorse every word and syllable of it.

Congress.

Both Houses have been actively engaged in seconding the energetic efforts of the President to prepare for the contest with Mexico.

On the 12th inst. the House of Representatives passed by a vote of 173 to 14, a bill which appropriates ten millions of dollars, and authorizes the President to raise 50,000 volunteers to bring the war with Mexico to a speedy close. The Senate passed the same bill by a vote of 40 to 2. [Messrs. Thos. Clayton and Davis.]

In the House of Representatives, on the 9th inst. the bill for the relief of Nathaniel Bird coming up on its final passage, it was opposed by Messrs. CLARK and Gordon, and advocated by Messrs. D. P. King, Lewis, and Adams. Mr. Daniel asked the yeas and nays, which were ordered; and being taken, were yeas 76, nays 66. So the bill was passed.

On the same day the committee took up the bill for the relief of Larkin Smith. Mr. CLARK moved that it be reported to the House, with a recommendation that it do not pass. After a few remarks from Messrs. Johnson, of Virginia, Rathbun, Brinkerhoff, Clark, and Seddon, the bill was laid aside to be reported to the House, with a recommendation that it do not pass.

On the 14th, Mr. CLARK, by leave, moved that the petition and papers in the case of Elijah F. Bell be committed.

The two committees of investigation into the charges of Mr. Ingersoll against Mr. Webster, and of Mr. Schenck against Mr. Ingersoll, have both been in session, and the former with authority from the House to sit during its sessions. Mr. Ingersoll's charges against Mr. Webster are briefly these: 1st. Unlawful use of the secret service fund; 2nd, misapplication of said fund to corrupt the party press; 3rd, leaving the Department of State a defaulter; and he went on to show that the secret service fund was always kept in the hands of the "disbursing agent" of the Department of State, and that during the first twelve months of his administration of that office, Mr. Webster drew from that fund, on his own orders, payable to himself, the sum of \$15,000, and there was evidence in the Department of State to show that the proceeding did not receive the sanction of the President. Of this \$15,000 Mr. Webster returned \$5,000 on the 23rd June, 1843; and \$4,450 was settled by the President's certificate in July, 1842, the greater part of which was applied to the corruption of the public press through the agency of Mr. F. O. J. Smith. Mr. Ingersoll said that after crediting sundry other items, Mr. Webster was still a defaulter to the amount of \$2,300 when he left the office, and the account was not finally settled until the 12th Feb. 1845.

An able writer in the Raleigh Standard, under the signature of "A Close Observer," is presenting some astounding remarks touching Gov. Graham's Rail Road transactions. We have inserted his first number on our first page, to which we invite attention, and we will endeavor to insert others hereafter.

Newspapers.

Mr. Loring purposes removing the Independent from Raleigh to Wilmington, and to connect himself with the Wilmington Commercial.

Mr. R. T. Downey has issued Proposals for publishing the Oxford Whig in the town of Oxford, Granville county.

Mr. W. B. Gulick has resuscitated the Washington Republican, and we earnestly commend the following remarks taken from his first number, to the attention of our democratic readers.

THE REPUBLICAN.

After various struggles and efforts, the Republican has at length been resuscitated.

The necessity of a Democratic press in this part of the State is admitted; a paper, the object of which is to disseminate the true principles of politics must be useful. It is gotten up with the hope and expectation that it will be permanent. To render it such, the united efforts of the party, in this district, are necessary; but this will be fully sufficient. We shall use our utmost efforts to render it worthy of their support.

We request and expect our Democratic friends to exert themselves, in our favor, in order to procure subscribers. Let every one interest himself in this business. The existence of the paper for any lengthened period depends upon the exertions made to obtain a good subscription list.

Naval Stores.—The sudden and unprecedented revulsion in the price of Naval Stores has cast a most serious gloom over the prospects of this section of North Carolina. Stimulated by the extraordinary prices which Turpentine commanded during the whole of last winter, many of our citizens have withdrawn their labor and capital from their wonted channels, and have embarked them in making Turpentine, which held out such alluring prospects to all who might engage in it. Lands and negroes have been both purchased and hired at high prices, in the anticipation that the product of the pine would continue to command such a price as would amply repay any outlay. The bubble has burst. Turpentine has tumbled down from \$4 to \$2 per barrel, and Spirits of Turpentine from 65 to 35 cents per gallon; and it is with extreme regret that we are compelled to express the opinion that neither of the articles have reached the lowest point of depression yet. It has now been demonstrated that the sole cause of the sudden and unlooked for rise in prices last winter was speculation. This fever is now over. A revulsion has taken place, and its consequences will be felt most severely, we fear, by this section of North Carolina. As an evidence that the recent high prices did not have their origin in a proportionate increase in the demand for Naval Stores, either in this country or Great Britain, we may state that, from the best information we can obtain, there is at least 125,000 barrels of the old crop of Turpentine now on hand in New York, Liverpool and London, alone. We also learn that there is a considerable quantity of Spirits of Turpentine now on hand in New York, some six or seven thousand barrels, as near as we can ascertain. This, we think, is proof positive that the recent high prices did not result from any legitimate causes. The Naval Store market, perhaps, never was in a more unsettled state than at the present moment.—There is more Spirits on hand at present than is required for consumption, and consequently the distilleries of North Carolina, with a few exceptions, have suspended operations. Indeed, they have no data to go upon at present, and therefore we think their course a prudent one, at least for a time. The consequence of all this is that our market is extremely depressed. Indeed, business in the Naval Store line is almost at a stand.—*Wilmington Jour.*

We learn that a small boy, a son of Mr. McPherson of Smithfield was drowned a few days since in Neuse River, near that place. The little fellow was fishing in the stream, with several other boys about his own age; and it is supposed he lost his balance and fell into the water. As soon as the alarm was given several persons rushed to the spot, but they were too late. His father arrived just as his child went down, and, with others, made every effort to recover the body, but in vain.—*Raleigh Stand.*

[From the Globe.]

Brandreth Pills.—We were for a long time among the sceptical as to the efficacy of these justly celebrated pills. We believed that they had got into general and universal use more by the numerous newspaper puffs than by any virtue they possessed. A recent trial of them upon a friend of ours, who was attacked with a most violent bilious cholera, has removed all doubts in our minds as to their being the very best cathartics that can be administered; and, believing so, we think we do the public a benefit, in saying what we think of them.

For sale by **Geo. Howard.**

A Perfect Cure for Dyspepsia.—The great modern discovery, in presenting to the world a cure for consumption (in every case when taken while nature is capable of carrying on the healing process); also Liver Complaint, Bronchitis, Pleurisy

and Asthma, has also accidentally, as well as providentially, been found to be a complete remedy for Dyspepsia. A physician called on me to-day and ordered one dozen of Dr. Taylor's Balsam of liverwort to be sent to him. He has prescribed it in several cases, with complete success, and has not failed in any instance. What a triumph for this medicine, which has justly become so popular, and done so much good for the cause of suffering humanity. If any person wishes to hear the names or see persons recently cured, I will give the name of a doctor who has kindly permitted to be referred to; also the names of some of our oldest and most wealthy citizens.

Sold by **G. Howard, Tarboro**—**J. Waldo, Hamilton**—**T. E. Smith, Williamston.**



We are authorized to announce **JAMES F. JENKINS**, as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of this county, at the ensuing election.

We are authorized to announce **LOUIS C. PENDER**, as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of this county, at the ensuing election.



COMMUNICATED.
I saw two clouds at morning,
Tinged with the rising sun;
And in the dawn they floated on,
And mingled into one.

MARRIED.
In this county, on the 10th inst., by **W. D. Bryan, Esq.**, **Mr. Green Teat** to **Miss Sally Ann Moore.**

As hand in hand for weal or woe,
Through life's uncertain paths they go,
May they have peace and plenty given,
And consummate their bliss in heaven.

I wish much pleasure to this pair,
In their new married state;
And hope another who was there,
May not much longer wait.

TARBORO' Male Academy.

THE SEMI ANNUAL Examination will commence on Thursday, the 28th inst. Exhibition on Friday night. **J. H. BROOKS, Prin.** May 18th, 1846.

To Physicians and Farmers.

DRUGS & MEDICINES,
CHEAPER THAN EVER.

Dr THOMAS
HAS REPLENISHED his stock of **GOODS**, which consists of every article usually kept in an

Apothecary Establishment, And he offers them for sale on terms cheaper than ever. **Farmers and Physicians** will do well to examine his stock before purchasing elsewhere. His assortment, consists in part, of the following articles:

FRENCH AND AMERICAN QUININE, Castor Oil by the gallon and in bottles, Calomel, Blue Mass, Epsom, Glauber and Rochelle Salts, Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry, Opium, Ammonia, Citrate of Iron and Quinine, Iodine and all its combinations,

A NICE SELECTION OF PERFUMES, SPICES of every kind,

Syringes of every size and variety, Dental Instruments, spring and thumb Lancets, Chases and Hull's Trusses, Mrs. Betts' superior Abdominal Supporters, Brushes of all kinds—Paints, Oils, Dye stuffs, Glass wa e, Copal, Japan and Leather Varnish, Cigars, No. 1 Chewing Tobacco, etc. etc.

His **SODA FOUNTAIN** is now, and will be throughout the season, in full operation. **Dr. THOMAS** will give the same attention to professional duties as heretofore. **Tarborough, May 18th, 1846.**



TAKEN UP

BY THE SUBSCRIBER living near Joyner's Depot, on the 27th April a **SORREL HORSE**, nearly 5 feet high, 13 or 14 years old, short tail, and having the appearance of being recently altered, and not entirely well. Said horse has been appraised at \$5. The owner is requested to come forward, pay charges and take him away. **BENJ. THORNELL.** May 15, 1846.

Important Sale of REAL ESTATE.

BY VIRTUE of a decree of the Court of Equity for the County of Nash made in the case Bennett Perry et al. vs. the late Henry Perry, dec'd, for partition amongst the heirs at law, I shall sell on the premises on Monday the 25th day of May next, that

Valuable Tract of Land, Lying in the County of Halifax on the north side of Fishing Creek, containing about

THIRTEEN HUNDRED ACRES.

Adjoining the lands of Benjamin Johnson, Samuel L. Arrington and James C. Nicholson. **ALSO,** on Tuesday the 31st day of May next, I shall sell on the premises one other

TRACT OF LAND

Lying in the county of Nash, known as the Reedy Point Plantation, containing about

Five Hundred Acres,

Adjoining the lands of Willie Powell and others. Bonds with good and able sureties, payable in two equal instalments at two and eighteen months, with interest from the day of sale, will be required.

B. H. BLOUNT, C. M. E. Nashville, N. C., 6th April, 1846.

Eglantine Academy.

ON THURSDAY and FRIDAY the 4th and 5th of June, the Examination of the students of Eglantine Academy will take place.

The first day will be devoted exclusively to the examination of the students, and on the second day a Rhetorical Exhibition, the exercises to commence at 10 o'clock A. M. on each day.

The patrons of the school, and the friends of Education generally, are respectfully invited to attend, and test the merits of the pupils.

J. J. JUDGE, Prin. Eglantine, Halifax Co., N. C., } 19-3
May 1st, 1846.

Warrenton Academy.

THE FALL Session will commence on the 22d of June.—The departure of the Senior Class for College, will leave several vacancies which may be filled by immediate application. The Academy is now undergoing a course of thorough repair, including the painting of the Building, the enclosure of the spacious Grounds and grounds attached thereto, and other improvements, all of which will have been completed at the beginning of the next term. Terms as heretofore.

ROBERT A. EZELL, M. A. Principal.

Warrenton, N. C., }
May 1, 1846. } 19-3

The Principal has permission to refer the public to the following gentlemen, viz:

- Rev. C. F. McRae,
- Wm. Plummer, Esq.
- Wm. Eaton, Jr. Esq.
- Francis A. Thornton, Esq.
- Thos. E. Green, Esq.
- John B. Somerville, Esq.
- Hon. Welton N. Edwards,
- Hon. Ishiel Turner,
- Alexander Hall, M. D.
- Wm. C. Williams, Esq.
- Benjamin E. Cook, Esq.

Notice.

THE UNDERSIGNED informs the public, that he has opened a **GUNSMITH SHOP,** 4 1/2 miles west of Tarboro, for the purpose of repairing shot-guns, rifles, pistols, stills, worm-gears, &c. &c. All work in his line of business will be attended to and done in workmanlike manner. **JNO. HOLLAND.** Edgecombe Co., May 8, 1846. 19

Imported Trustee.

THIS CELEBRATED RACER AND STALLION

the sire of **Fashion**, the best racer of the present day, will make his present season, which will expire July 1st, at my Stables near Hicks' Ford, Va., at \$30 the season, and one dollar to the Group, payable within the season. Black servants, sent with mares, will be boarded gratis, and mares will be well fed at 40 cents per day;—every care and attention will be bestowed on mares by careful and trusty grooms, but I will not be responsible for accidents or escapes.

Trustee is in the highest possible health and vigor, a sure foal getter, and now of the age to get the best stock. His size and colour, sound constitution, excellent temper and action, and his great strength, and high fame as a racer and stallion, are too well known to require comment. His pedigree, equal to any in the Stud Book, embraces all the best crosses, being got by the famous four miler, Cotton, out of Emma by Whisker, the dam of roof Mundig and Cotherstone, both winners of the Derby. (See Handbills, for more particulars. March 20. **A. T. B. MERRITT.**