



Raleigh, N. C.

FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 1849.

As we travel this dusty road of life, we must expect changes—old friends leave us, and new ones find us, and sometimes we lose regret for the one...

Our readers are referred to the last page, for the North Carolina Railroad Act. The law is sufficiently perfect for all present useful purposes.

ALARM OF FIRE.

There was an alarm of fire on Tuesday afternoon last, proceeding from the old houses at Cedar Row, owned by the Misses Pulliam.

NO NEWS.

We have seldom known the papers to be so barren of general intelligence as they are at the present time. It is true, we can always fill up our paper with interesting matter—but just at present, when we propose to take a short lull from editorial writing, every one else, we believe, is in the same mood; and the world has well nigh stopped still.

By a transposition of names, many of our contemporaries have given our friend and neighbor, the Editor of the Register, the very handsome post of Secretary of Legation to the Court of Berlin.

RAILROADS.

We call attention to the Advertisements of the Commissioners of the North Carolina Railroad Company, and the Commissioners of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad, each giving notice that Books of Subscription will be opened in this City on the 19th of April next.

CLAIMS AGAINST MEXICO.

Hon. George Evans, of Maine, Hon. Caleb B. Smith, of Indiana, and Col. Robert T. Paine, of North Carolina, have been appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, Commissioners to adjust the claims of our citizens against Mexico.

We are highly gratified to announce to the citizens of North Carolina, the very honorable position which has been assigned to Col. Paine—the more, because the Locofocos, for party purposes have sought to tarnish his good name, and detract from his well-earned reputation as a Commander of our Volunteers in Mexico, happily without avail.

These are the claims for which Mr. Polk avowedly made war with Mexico. Their amount he has variously stated, at different times to suit his purposes, ranging from three to eight millions of dollars.

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The Standard expresses the opinion that General Taylor's Administration can only prosper by exerting its energies to keep things as they are, &c.

The mere statement of all this, and much more which might be expressed, will prove to every dispassionate mind that there were great principles involved in the election of General Taylor—and "to keep things as they are," entered not at all into the calculations of the people who placed him in power.

In regard to our foreign relations, he will exhaust every resort of honorable diplomacy before appealing to arms. What a condemnation of James K. Polk! who rashly brought on a war in the hope that its ebb would ensure to his own benefit, and that of his party.

But as to our domestic policy, again, Gen. Taylor leaves no ground for uncertainty. He recognizes "protection to the great interests of Agriculture, Commerce and Manufactures; the improvement of our rivers and harbors; to provide for the speedy extinction of the public debt; to enforce a strict accountability on the part of all officers of the Government, and the utmost economy in all public expenditures, under the regulation of Congress."

Is this "to keep things as they are?" By no means. And what we like the Old Man above all things for, is just this: that he does not intend to permit things to remain as they are; but that he intends reform and improvement, and takes for his example him who was, by so many titles, the "Father of his Country."

The subject which occupied the attention of the Senate last week, mostly, was the question of the eligibility of General Shields. The case was as plain a one as ever came before a Legislative body. It appeared, without contradiction, that he was naturalized on the 21st of October, 1840, and consequently wanted more than seven months of the constitutional qualification of nine years to hold the office of Senator.

His Locofoco friends made many efforts to evade a direct vote on the question; and, under their instruction, we presume, the General actually endeavored to resign an office he was not competent to take upon himself—the object being, by this means, to ensure his re-appointment by the Governor of Illinois, under the power which he possesses to fill a vacancy created by resignation.

These accomplishments and unscrupulous partizans, Cass, Douglass, Foote, &c., had an opportunity, once more, to show their utter contempt for law, propriety, and everything else, in endeavoring thus more firmly to secure the Locofoco ascendancy in the Senate, by keeping Shields in, right or wrong, eligible or ineligible; and finally voted against the resolution declaring his election void.

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APPOINTMENTS TO OFFICE.

We observe that, besides the members of the Cabinet, and some few Revenue officers, Postmasters, &c., but few appointments have yet been made by the new Administration. This is all very well; but we are much mistaken if many, who are now warm and snug in good fat births, are quite as secure as they think themselves.

A great many of the public offices must be very badly filled. Our country is but poorly represented abroad; the members of Polk's Cabinet were, hardly one, first rate men—and the inferior stations were filled up by just any person who had the requisite one qualification, which fitted the man for any or all offices—all the more noisy a politician the better.

But few people did not hold office—and that Locofoco cry began at last to grate harshly on our ears. The game had been played too long; it could not always win. The people put an end to it—the Locofoco Administration was compelled to decamp—and it was found that the Nation was over head and ears in debt, and all its offices in the possession of the Locofocos, who were crying "prosperity! glory to Polk and Democracy, who have done it all!"

Mr. WASHINGTON'S ADDRESS. We are indebted to the courtesy of Manteo Lodge No. 8, of the I. O. O. F. of this city, for a copy of the Address of the Hon. Wm. H. Washington, delivered before that respectable association and a very large audience, at the Capitol, on the 13th January last.

The Union understands that the President declines to make a certain appointment "upon the alleged ground that Virginia has foreign missions enough at this time."

The effect of the decision of the Senate, in declaring Gen. Shields ineligible, is to render his election void—and the Governor of Illinois cannot make a temporary appointment. The Legislature of that State does not meet for two years, unless specially called together.

The National Intelligencer says: It is intimated to us that a rumor has been put in circulation that the Hon. Andrew Stewart, one of the Representatives in the last Congress, had been a candidate for a seat in the Cabinet, and that his claim had been set aside or rejected.

MIXED EMOTIONS. The Philadelphia Times, referring to the pathetic philadelpia by the Union of the parting scene between Mr. Walker and the Clerks in his Department, on "which occasion" the voice of the Chief Clerk was thick and husky with the feelings of his noble heart, is reminded of the shipwrecked mariners described by Byron:

NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTION. Dinsmore, the Democratic Candidate for Governor, has been elected by a large majority. The returns from the third Congressional District indicate that Gen. Wilson, the Whig Candidate, has been re-elected by an increased majority.

ANOTHER RUMOR. The Northern papers mention a rumor that Mr. Ritchie is about to retire from the Union, which is to pass into the hands of Mr. Burke, late Commissioner of Patents, and Mr. Forney of Philadelphia, who pay the sum of \$50,000 for it.

EX-PRESIDENT POLK, AT SAVANNAH.—The Savannah papers of the 12th are largely occupied with the public reception given the Ex-President on his arrival in that State, on his way home.

PERSECUTION.

The Duke of Argyle and sons, and Lady Blantyre, have been excommunicated by Bishop Frouser a tractarian, for attending divine service in Glasgow in a Presbyterian church.

MEDICAL GRADUATES.

Among the Graduates of the Medical Department of the University of New York, at the Session of 1848-'9, we observe the following from North Carolina: Thomas C. Dossor, H. C. Herndon, W. A. Withers, D. T. Taylor, R. N. C. Tate, G. P. Perry, E. P. Paschall, T. H. Miles, J. McAllister, T. D. Lente, and J. Johnston.

Mr. CURTIS, of Arlington, paid his respects to President TAYLOR, a few days since. He is perhaps the only citizen who has taken by the hand the twelve Presidents of the United States.—Balt. American.

CANDIDATES FOR CONGRESS. We learn that Alexander Little, Esq., of Wadesboro, has yielded to the solicitations of his friends, and consented to be a Candidate for Congress in the 3d District.

HON. A. H. SHEPPERD. Our late faithful Representative of the 4th Congressional District, Mr. Shepperd, has issued a circular to his constituents—brief, instructive, and written in excellent taste; at the close of which he declares himself a Candidate for re-election.—Greensboro Patriot.

Mr. CALHOUN waited on Gen. TAYLOR, the 7th inst. says the correspondent of the Charleston Courier, and received from the General the most complimentary and friendly notice. His remarks to Mr. Calhoun were fraught with feeling, and made in good taste, and with excellent tact.

ROBBERY OF THE MAIL. The Northern Mail due here on Saturday last, for this city and the North, was robbed on the route, supposed to have been done in the vicinity of Naussemond River, as the post bills, and many letters and papers were found floating in said river.—Norfolk Beacon, March 17.

WASHINGTON, March 15. IMPORTANT NOMINATIONS. It is announced here this evening that among the nominations sent to the Senate by the President to-day, are those of Fletcher Webster, as District Attorney of Boston, and Mr. Leroy, as Navy Agent for New York.

Correspondence of the Baltimore Sun. WASHINGTON, March 16, 1849. The appointment of W. Carey Jones, Esq., son-in-law of Mr. Benton, as Secretary of the board of commission under the Mexican treaty, is announced. Mr. Jones is a moderate Whig, and a good Spanish scholar.

Gen. Scott returned to Washington last Tuesday, and the next morning paid his respects to the President. His health is restored, and it is said, he will, in future, make his headquarters in Washington.

We understand that the President of the United States availed himself, on Saturday, of the first hour of leisure he has found since his Inauguration, to visit Messrs. Madison, Adams, and Hamilton, and pay his personal respects to those ladies. Nat. Int.

THE NEW ADMINISTRATION. Our exchanges from all sections of the Union, come to us full of warm commendations of General Taylor's Inaugural, and expressing the greatest satisfaction with the composition of the new Cabinet. There is a perfect unanimity in the Whig ranks on these points, and even the more honest portion of the Locofoco press "own up" that so far they have found no fault with a Whig President.—N. Y. Express.

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HENRY CLAY ON EMANCIPATION.

It is known to our readers, that a Convention will shortly assemble for the purpose of giving a new Constitution to the State of Kentucky, and that the question of emancipation has strongly agitated the public mind in that quarter.

SUPREME COURT. The following Opinions have been delivered since our last notice: By RYRYS, C. J. In Gillespie v. Foy, in Equity from Rockingham; declares plaintiff not entitled to any part of the personal estate, but that it belongs to the defendants in equal parts.

By NASH, J. In Parish v. Mangum, from Orange, affirming the judgment below. Also, in State v. McIntosh, from Moore, reversing the judgment below, and rendering judgment here for plaintiff. Also, in West v. Tilghman, from Craven, reversing the judgment, and directing a venire de novo.

By PRANSON, J. In Hall v. Harris, in Equity from Montgomery, directing a decree for plaintiff. Also, in Harris v. Philpot, in Equity from Warren. Also, in Ward v. Jones, in Equity from Warren, declaring that testator had a life estate only in the land.

NO THANKS FOR IT! In the Missouri Legislature on the 27th ult., a member proposed to resolve "That the thanks of the people of this State are due to the Honorable David R. Atchison for the manly and unwavering course pursued by him in regard to the all important question of slavery, by subscribing his name, 'solitary and alone,' to the address of the southern delegates in Congress to their constituents."

Tax Senator from Mississippi—not Jefferson Davis—continues yet, we see, by our Washington correspondent, to make a figure. He flies about in the Senate, it seems, and whizzes like a boy's top. He buzzes like a bee. He is a regular oratorical whirligig.

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Stats of North Carolina.

COURT OF Pleas and Quarter Sessions, February Term, 1849. James Todd, Esq. J. Hartfield, and Rebecca, his wife, Chas. Tucker, and Martha, his wife, John King, and Susan, his wife, Henry Rhoads, and Chas. his wife, Jesse Anderson, and Mary, his wife, Elizabeth Todd, Henry Todd, and William Todd, against

Petition to divide Land. This case coming on to be heard, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that James Peebles, and wife Elizabeth, and Matthew Leopold, and wife Mary, and others, are non-residents of this State: It is ordered by the Court, that advertisement be made in the Raleigh Times, a newspaper published in the City of Raleigh, for said non-residents to appear at the next Term of our Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, to be held for the County of Wake, at the Court House in the City of Raleigh, on the 3d Monday of May next, and then and there answer or demur to the said Petition, or judgment pro confesso will be granted against them, and the Petition heard ex parte, as to them.

Supreme Court Reports. REDUCTION OF PRICE. THE Subscriber having purchased from the Estate of W. R. Gales, Esq. deceased, the entire Edition of Vols. 6, 7, and 8 Law, and Vols. 4 and 5, Equity, of Iredell's Reports of Cases decided in the Supreme Court of North Carolina, (from December Term 1845, to August Term, 1848, inclusive, and including also the Equity Cases of the present Term of the Court,) has reduced the price from Six Dollars to Five Dollars per volume; and is prepared to furnish them to Gentlemen of the Bar and Booksellers, except Vol. 5 of Equity, to be published in a few weeks, of which notice will be given. Orders for the whole, or for any one or more Volumes, promptly attended to. And the Bar supplied on reasonable terms with the previous Volumes of North Carolina Reports, and Law Books generally.—Bound Copies furnished to the Profession, in exchange for their Nos.

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CITY TAX LIST. NOTICE is hereby given, that I shall attend at the Court House, on Friday, the 30th day of March, instant, from 10 o'clock A. M. to 5 o'clock P. M. to take the City Tax List, for the current year according to law.

Dr. A. F. Cooper's Spino-Abdominal SUPPORTERS. THE Subscriber has on hand, a supply of the above valuable Supporters, which are recommended for all persons, afflicted with muscular debility, round shoulders, or prolapsus Uteri.

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