straight line 23 miles to the Congarce to abandon suddenly the banking ryspiver, a little above McCord's ferry, ten as it has been established among more commendable to anticipate comto be safe, important and valuable aundere it will cross that stream and prous, or to restrict it in such a manner ing events, and risk the present upon greats in the economy of the State Gov. on good ground, passing by Statesbargh, and through the richest part of enquiries have led me. Kershaw and Santer districts, while the road from Columbia to the Congaree river will pass through the richest part of Rehland district. Between the Congaree and Orangeburg the road will be accessable to the best part of St. Matthew's Parish and of O angeparg district.

By crossing the Congaree so low down, it meets the strambat navigation, where it will rarely be interrupfel, the didiculties in that navigation being above that point.

Another great object in selecting Branc'wille as the point of junction is, that it will enable the curs from Columbia to meet those from Charleston, eral Assembly has by decisive votes pense proposed in security against re- gent of the General Government, and so as to convey all the passengers from given expression to the sense of the the north, from Camilen or Columbia, community in favor of the banking ta Angusta, thus for a new an imporfrom Boston to New Orleans.

The line thus selected will be a few lumbia bridge and the sand-hills to tried experiment? If it could be tantends, and their disturbing influ- opponent. Where two such formida-Orangeburgh, but the trip can always shown that the resources of private ence in other respects was not design. ble engines shall work in concert, as, be performed in a day. This line by and national prosperity would have ed or anticipated. The executive Or-McCord's can also be graded to a rise been better developed under a differ. der, commonly known as the specie clivities to ascent, and besides it ed to the existing order of things, and the effect to transfer specie from points alike to the rights of the States and would bring no trade to the road.

This we unders and has been done, and that we are in no slight degree indebtthe bink charter is now secured.

The State of South Carolina has pledged its credit to secure any loan which the company may make not exand remove the necessity of calling on instalments fill times are eavier.

for taking one million of the stock of Among other instances of great are the company, the work will be imme- permanent advantage, may be men- banks as were selected as depositories. diately commenced to construct the tioned the works of Internal Improve- to exercise the power of discounting road in that State from Knoxville to ments, canals, rail roads, and turn liberally, we shall scarcely in view of

subscriptions in that State shall have been sufficient for the purpose.

By the terms prescribed by the stock- have suffered for the want of the reholders, the funds raised on stock are quisite channels of intercommunication, in the first instance to be applied in the and the industry of those parts of it bject of internal improvements, are rience may have disclosed, will, it is State where they are raised. It will more remote from the sea board, have invested in the stocks of our banks. to be hoped , be remedied, and new sethus be seen, that enough has already been, to a great degree, paralised .been provide ! in South Carolina to carry the work through that State, and the credit system, hitherto upheld, is al. tions of money, and constituted, and ally liable; but in the present advanabove Columbia to the Flat Rock, by August next, when the stockholders sources of our country, the rewards of gle exception, the banks have met ing amount of exchanges to which the will meet again and decide the route. industry, and the growth of popula- their engagements with punctuality, extraordinaryplevelopements of modern The work above Columbia to the North Carolina tine, may be expected to be has been extensively and signally use; at will into coin. For the suspension and contrasting therewith the limited put under contract next autumn.

Virginial Legislature. The Legislature of Virginia met on the lat instant.

In the Senate, the old officers were manimously re-elected:-Stafford H. Parker, Esq. Speaker, Addison Hansford, Clerk, Littlebury Allen, Sergeant at Arms; Julius Martin and T. L. Nelson, Doorkeepers, and John Watrock Printer.

In the House of Delegates, Lynn Banks, Esq. was elegted Speaker without opposition. G. W. Montfort, Esq. Clerk; Col. Winston, Sergeaut at Arms, and Messra, John Stubblefield, Thos. Davis, and Robert Bradley, door-

We make the following extracts from Gov. Campbell's Message. They are upon topics which have greatly egitated the public mind, and will therefore he read with interest.

this time, as forced upon our attention, ment, and under that arrangement, a would of course reduce the price of ready to fix on on early day; that they by its deranged condition, is the cur-

rency of the country.

cessary results of the banking policy, as are generally useful, but to apply it | sollest the whole revenue of the Cov-CINCINNATI & CHARLESTON & ROAD. that we may not fall into the giror of saif to the work of judicious improve-We learn that the Louisville, Cig. thandoning institutions of great and cinnati and Charleston rad road compa- acknowledged usefulness, under the lit is of the nature of credit, as im-

local Beard and a first rate engineer. In express, with much diffidence, in the price of whatever is coveted as an if in view of that effect, the Govern-The directors have also decided to a late communication to the General object of property. But are these rement should for the present forbear, at the road from Columbia to Branch Assembly, have been confirmed by garded as evils to warrant an attempt and adopt the resolution when species and adopt the resolution when species to annihilate all credity. It is the claratery payments had been restored, it will next February. The route decided by mobily conceive, be attended by ruin acteristic of man, and of no people be found, I fear, to bear with severity next Februcary. The runte decided humbly conceive, be attended by ruin- acteristic of man, and of no people on, is to run from Columnia in a one sacrifices, public and individual, more than our own, and regulated by ceed by way of Orang burg, or a little as to deny to the community the facil. the realization of their hopes. This ernments, and may not with a just reto the east of it, to Branchville. The lities to which it has been accustomed. is speculation; and the American neoreasons which influenced the B and to The interest of the subject, and the ple will have lost their energy and enselect this route, we understand, pre novel, and I fear dangerous tendency terprise when it ceases to be a predithese-the river at this point can be of some of the plans recently proposition cate of them. Speculation will exist passed where it is not more than 450 ed in connection with the currency, as well without Banks as with them. wide, on a rock bottom; at this point, will excuse, if they do not require, a and in either case, the issue will be two a road can be united from Camden, candid, yet diffident statement of the sometimes unfortunate, and then those conclusions to which my own anxious who decide upon an enterprise by the

under. Is it wise or politic, suddentint part of the great rall road route by to abandon a policy so long and The States of North Carolina and public confidence, and involve unacompany to eight million of dollars, supposition is believed to be true; and cy. resulting from the indirect influed to our liberal system of credit and exchanges for the h therto unexampled be found in the distribution of the surgrowth and prosperity of our country, Without much actual capital, our ceeding 82,000,000. This will enable country was magnificently endowed instead of making it as gradual as posthem to borrow on moderate terms, with all the elements from which wealth sible. Here again the act of Governmight be securely derived; -its posiestockholders for any considerante tion, therefore, was that of all others tions of trade, and had the effect of in which the facilities of a generous Should the bill be passed, which is credit were most needed, and could now before the Tennessee Ligislature, with the most safety be dispensed .-pikes. These must have been delay. these extrinsic and potent causes, feel ration and solemnity due to the occa-The road will also be undertaken ed to a remote period, if the spare ourselves justified in imputing the e- sion.

rom Lexington, south, as soon as the capital necessary for their construction vil in question, to the ordinary and The approaching expiration of the had first to be accomulated-and in the interim the whole country would | tem.

> wealth, should not be lightly nor hastily departed from, It is objected to banks that they fuster a spirit of reckless speculation,

currency to dangerous convulsions. The proof is said to be found in the sad vicissitudes which we have lately dustry, the profits of every occountion experienced, and from which we have whatsoever, are adjusted under the in- the intelligence that all the principal not yet recovered. Until the suspension of specie payments, the State influence is alike beneficial to alt. To day to commence redeeming their Banks enjoyed the confidence of the renounce this policy and attempt to votes in specie, and lament that I canpeople and the Government; and their obtain a currency exclusively metalic, and convey that desirable information. agency was generally conceded to be would be attended by consequences I coderstand, however, the prospect useful, if not indispensable. They had extensively, fatally mischievous. Ob- of commencing at no very distant day, The subject which, unhappily, at depositories of the General Govern- reduction of the circulating medium own State have been and are now large addition was made to the money property—the effect of which would should do so is greatly to be desired, which they held on deposite. The be relatively to augment the debt to be but however anxious we may feel on The advantages on the one hand, of question ocours, whether the suspen- paid. And thus a debtor whose en- the subject, it is our duty so to act, as an uniform and stable currency, and sion of specie payments be not referant generates were considered light when to reader the operation as little disthe evils on the other, of a currency ble to causes which the Banks had no they were contracted, might find his tressing as possible, and avoid every depreciated and unstable, cannot be necessary agency in creating; and whole means had become inadequate, easily exaggerated. The conviction of whether it be not in the reach of pru. by a revolution in the currency, to the to disturb public confidence. It will be this truth is universal. The People, dent legislation to guard against the payment of his debts. The citizen and the Government as well as the recurrence of the evil, without im- in the case supposed, might well ar-People, have an inappreciable stake in pairing the capacity of Banks to be raign the justice of his Government, what is permitted to pass as money .- useful, And, after all, whether it be that by its inconstancy had produced in circulation, debts and deposites, a-It was, therefore, to be expected that no better to incur the risk of peca. his ruin. This is but one instance of the first appearance of derangement in sional inconvenience from mismanage. the mischiels of the innovation. Nu- and her means, exclusive of her stock, our monetary system, would give rise ment or indiscretion, on the part of merous others will occur to every conto earnest inquiries about the causes the Banks, than submit to the greater siderate mind. which have produced it, and that these would lead to numerous propositions of amendment, and as Banks form a prominent part of that system, and expressions of a contralling influence over the currency, it is not a matter of surprise that the evil by some should be imputed to their agency. It is all important to separate the accidental from the newhich have produced it, and that these and inevitable inconveniences that Deeply impressed with these views,

He interest of the control of the co event, will arraign the prudence of the It has been more than thirty years adventurers. But, what is more to since banking as now practised, was the point of remark, is, that, as vithincorporated with the settled policy of out Banks there will be speculation, the Commonwealth. The Bank of and speculation in which large num-Virginia was crement in 1804-eight bers will be embarked, so, when the years afterwards, time having been al. result is uppropitious, there will be lowed to witness the good or evil ten- complaints of artificial prices and disdency of the policy, the Farmers' Bank | turbed currency as well in a commuwas established. Subsequently, the nity in which there are no Banks, as North Western Bank and the Banks where they exist. It is not in the of the Valley, and at a later period, power of legislation to guard effective-the Merchants' and Mechanics' Bank ly against pecuniary vicissitudes; and instances yet more numerous, arising by shutting up the Bank, would add which were about to expire, the Gen. | itable | industry, without the recom-

verses. foughly cherished, and commit the pro- not the least influential. The meas- dangerous aspect. Its natural relaence of the measures of the General Government. Another instance is to plus revenue among the States, performing the operation too suddenly. ment came in conflict with the operaresulted from the general copes of the siness. If to these be added to the moutements held out to such of the natural operation of the banking sys- charters of existing Banks, will pre-

Indeed, the fostering influence of the long performed amongst us the func- and excesses to which it is occusionsurveys are expected to be completed together too visible in our past history, yet constitute a large portion of our ced stage of commerce and civilizain the development of the rich re- currency. Until recently, with a sin- tion, considering the vast and increastion, not to satisfy us that its agency and their notes have been convertible industry and enterprise have given rise, ful. I respectfully submit that a pol. of payments in 1814, the excepted in supply af the precious metals in the icy repeatedly approved by the delin stance, an excuse was admitted to ex- world, the idea of abolishing every concrate sanction of the Legislatuce and list in the embarrassments resulting ventional medium of circulation and the community, and that so far has from a war in which our country was returning to an exclusive metalic cur been found, in friendly connection engaged, whilst the valuable services rency, must be regarded as altogether with the great interest of the common- ren ered to the government, by the behind the progress of the age. Least liberal use of their credit, conciliated of all, is it adapted to a new and growduce, of prices which remunerate the and anticipated capital have already labour employed in their production, achieved such wonderful improvecreate artificial values, and expose the has been and still confinues to be of ments, and where so much yet remains fected through the agency of banks. to be effected by their necessary aid. The value of property, the wages of in-

erament in gold and silver. If the le is of the nature of eredit, as im- that determination before the banks on the banks, to sink their credit and gard to the interest of their constituenfs be dispensed with, I respectfully submit whether the policy of the States in this respect be not so far entit ed to respect from the General Government, as that it should not, if to be avoided, pursue a course calculated to oppress and embarrass it. There is another view of the subject

which demands the solemn considera-

tion of the General Assembly. The

State Banks have been heretofore re-

garded, and as if scems to me with much reason, the only safe and practical substitute for a great flational es der some form or other. If these institutions, therefore, shall now be allowed to be crushed or discredited, their efficiency impaired, or the accommodation they are capable of yielding allusion was made to the use of the apof Wheeling were incorporated. In to attempt to prevent their occurrence to both government and people thrown pointing power during the late Adminaside, the consequence will be, sooger from the renewal of Bank charters immensely to the burthens of all prof- or later, a resort to some central man- of President Jackson on that subject. ied power as the exclusive fiscal athe privileged dispenser of a national Among the causes of the recent con- currency, unfavorable as has been our Before the presentation of any other vulsion, certain measures of the Gen experience of such an institution, we memorials or resolution, eral Government must be regarded as have not yet seen it, under its most perty, business and welfare of the ures alluded to, were, doubtless, ex- tion is that of ally and instrument of miles longer, than the one by the Co | community upon the issue of an un- pected to answer valuable and impor- the Federal Executive, not its rival and under their natural bias and impulsion they would do, the result must be a not exceeding 27 feet to a mile, white ent system, still the consideration that Circular, however salutary, considered fearful enlargement of the powers of State. He had looked upon those resolutions the sand bill line has many difficult ac- the habits of the community are adapt- in reference to its immediate objects, had the Federal Government, destructive as possessing a character entitling them to the that revolutions therein would unsettle | where it had accumulated by the ordi- the liberties of the people. Is it not nary course of trade, to points where then incumbent on the friends of our Tennessee having given their assent to voidable sacrifices, night well be set it was not wanted for the current basi- Republic system, to uphold the insti- titled to present itself in that form to the Senthe bank charter, it became necessary off against the demand for theoretic ness of the country. This is one in- tutions of the States, in all their com- ate. As a State's Rights man, therefore, he to increase the capital of the railroad perfection. But the reverse of that stance of disturbance to the curren- petent functions; to oppose with firmness every project, which, in rendering the General Government independent of the people and the States, shall strengthen the arm of Federal tions. The Senste never votes directly on respower, and which, by leading to a multiplication of executive officers, and by giving to the executive head a direct control over the public money, shall augment the patronage, and add to the already formidable influence of that this was the only subject apon which the Undisturbing the equilibrium which had branch of the Government? The ion could possibly split the resulted from the general course at his councils, before alluded to, not only as a Southern men but as force these considerations on the attention of eve y reflecting patriot, and tide, in time, which would destroy that Union, they will doubtless be weighed by the de. Upon his resolutions, he claimed a direct General Assembly with all the delibe-

> sent an early occasion for the rivis-The large funds which the Common- ion and improvement of our Bankwealth has dedicated to the invaluable ing system. The defects which expe-The notes, of these institutions have curities provided against the dangerous friends. The ready sale of our pro- ing country like ours, where credit

I had hoped to be enabled to communicate to the General Assembly. fluence of the banking policy, and its banks in the Union had agreed on a own State have been and are now thing which may tend unnecessarily scen from the last return of the Bark of Virginia, made the 1st of November, 1837, that her liabilities for notes mounted to the sum of \$5,687,866 27, and excluding her real estate, to meet these liabilities to 89,525,026 s. The Virginia, at the same period amounted to \$4.177.754 81, and its areans in like manner, inclusive of its stock, and like liabilities of the Farmers' Bank of

TWENTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

IN SENATE.

Tuesday Jan. 2, 1838. Mr. Buchanan presented the memotat of a Lieutenant Colonel of the army of Poland, the nephew of Kosciusko, recounting his sufferings in the cause of Poland, and praying Congress to grant him a section of land, to be paid for, if required, as soon as it might be within his power. Refer-

The bill for the punishment of certain crimes against the United States was read the third time and passed. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Numerous unti-slavery and anti-Texian petitions were presented. On motion of Mr. Montgomery.

Resolved That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Ronds be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so aftering the pre-pat tariff of postage charged upon letters, pamphlets, &c. transmitted by mail, that it schall correspond with the coin of the United States.

Mr. Wise submitted the following: Resolved, That a Committee to consist of members he appointed to inquire into tion of the United States as to prohibit the appointment of members of Congress to Executive offices during the time for which they are tablishment or credit and finance un- elected Senators or Representatives, and the time of two years thereafter.

Mr. Wise accompanied the resolution by a few remarks, which gave rise to debate in the course of which free istration, in contrast with the doctrine Messrs. Wise, Havnes. Williams. of North Carolina; Underwood, Jenifer, and Yell took part in the discussion.

The House adjourned.

IN SENATE. We Inesday, January S.

Mr. Cathoun's resolutions came up for con-

eideration After they were read, Mr. Calbonn rose, and explained that he had introduced his resolutions as antagonist to those of the Legislature of Vermont, introduced by a gentleman from that consideration of the Senate. He had been embarrassed by the presentation of those resolutions, coming as they did from a sovereign State -- a party to the federal compact, and enfound himself unable to vote against receiving the resolutions. But as a Southern man, he would not vote for them. He was reduced to a passive position upon the subject, and was oblig.d to leave others to act upon those resoluolutions thus offered, either for or against They were lad on the table, or referred, and there was the end. And his only mode of most ing those in question was to offer antagonist resolutions; and he had taken that contac.

Mr. Culhoun went over the old ground; that not only as a Southern man, but us a friend to the Union; and that it was his object to stay the vote of the Senate, and demanded the year and nays, which were ordered.

take the question on each resolution, separate-. Was agreed to, and the Cillowing b

first, was read, Resolved. That in the adoption of the Federal Constitution, the States adopting the same acted, severally as free, independent and sovereign States; and that each, for itself, by its own voluntary assent, entered the Union with a view to its increased security against all dangers, domestic as well as foreign, and the more perfect and secure enjoyment of its advantages, natural, political, and social,

This resolution was adopted, by the fellow

Year-Messrs, Allen, Black, Brown, Buchanon, Calhoun, Clay, of Ala. Clay, of Ky Cuthbert, Fulton, Hubbard, King, of Alabama, Linn, Lumpkin, Lyon, McKean, Nicholas, Niles, Norvell, Pierce, Preston, Rives, Roane, Robinson, Ruggles, Sevier, Smith, of Connecticot, Strange, Walker, White, Williams; Wright, Young-32.

.Nayr-Messrs Bayard, Clayton, Davis, Knight, Mores, Prentiss, Robbins, Smith, of Indiana, Southard, Swift, Tipton, Wall, Webster -- 13

The question then recurred on the second resolution, which was as follows:

Resolved. That in delegating a portion of their powers to be exercised by the Federal Government, the States retained, severally, the exclusive and sole right over their own domes ue institutions and poli e, and are alone respon sible for them, and that now intermeddling of one or more States, or a combination of their citizens, with the domestic institutions and police of the others, on any ground, or nuder any pretext whatever, political, moral, or religious with a view to their alteration or subversion, i an assumption of superiority not warranted by the Constitution, insulting to the States interfored with, tending to endanger their domestic peace and tranquillity, subversive of the objects for which the Constitution was formed, and, by necessary consequence, tending to weaken and destroy the Union itself. This resolution, after various amendments

was adopted by the following votet Year-Mesers Allen, Black, Brown, Buch. chan, Calhoun, Clay, of Alabama, Clay, of Ky Clayton, Cuthbert, Fulton, Hubbard, King Lian, Lumpkin, Lyon, Nicholas, Niles, Nor vell, Pierce, Preston, Rives, Roune, Sevier, Smith, of Coun. Spence, Strangs, Walker, White, Williams, Wright, Young-31,

Yayr Maure, Davis, Morris, Prentiss Smith, of Indiana, Southard, Swift, Tipton, Wail, Webster-3.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. Mr. Bell introducci a resolution, instruction the committee on el clions to distinguish, in reporting the facts in the Mississippi case, ha-tween the old facts, known, to the House at the

ANNEXATION OF Mr Preston Literalized the

Whereas the just and true h Grande del Norte, which river con be the the boundary line until the west of the Sabine was surrenderd to by the treaty of 1819: And whereas such surrender of a pe

of the territory of the United States is precedent and doubtful constitutional And whereas many weighty conside of policy make it expedient to re-establi said true boundary; and to re-annex United States the territory occupied by State of Texas, with the cousent of

Be it therefore resolved. That, with the sent of the said State praviously had whenever it can be effected consistently the faith and treaty stipulations of the U. States, it is desirable and expedient to me nex the said Territory to the United State Which were laid on the table, and only

o be printed. Mr. CALHOUN'S resolutions then on up, and amendments were offered by a ALLEN, and discussed to a late hour, when mention of Mr. BUCHANAN, The Senate adjourned,

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE The day's sitting was consumed in the sideration of private and unimports it is

Disturbances on the Canadian Frontier, thesauge was received from the President the United States, in both houses, advento the insufficiency of the existing form asking Congress to give more effective perto the Executive for preserving pence on se borders. A discussion followed the reading of this message and accompanying papers, in bei houses in which reference was had to the ills gal conduct of our citizens on the frontier, and the outrage committed by the British in their struction of the Caroline and massacre of the on board. The whole subject was treated an a cravity proportionate to its importance to no excitement was manifested but such as came the occasion, and no other feeling feelig was exhibited then was purely national, pare

otic, and, in the main, parilie. In the Senate, the subject was referred or motion of Mr. Calbonn, to the committee Foreign Relations. In the House, a resoluti was adopted, calling on the President, for for ther information on the subject, and what the sures have been adopted by the Executives preserve our neutrality with Great Britain! also embraces a call for information respects the capture, by the U. S. aloap of war Natcher of the Mexican vessel of war the General ! res. &cc.

Mr. Calhoun's resolutions were taken up l discusse! in the Senate till a late hour, by sen rat gentlemen, without arriving at a decime Spanking of the debate, the Globe says: "The liberal, manyly, and statesmanlik

course of Mosers. Calhoun, Rives, Buchama Hubbard, and others, is worthy of all comme dation. The discussions upon this painful exciting topic have been, for the most put charge terized by calminess, dignity, and most desire to meet upon same common ground and davise some some common means of producing harmonious action, and of avoiding, for the fe ture, the daugers and difficulties which appear tain to the decision of this question."

CANADA.

Hot work in Upper Canada! Then has been a fight near Navy Island and Buffale and Rochester are in the highest state of fory, for excitement does not seem to express the feeling Sir Francis Head has erected but The proposition of Mr. Morris, of Ohio, to teries upon the Chippewa side, and commenced an attack by boats Navy Island; But Gen. Van Ronselaer, with his cannon, knocked lie batteries to pieces, and drove back his buats, with some loss of lives. During this action, a rumor reached Buffile that Sir FRANCIS HEAG had made a lodgment upon Grand Island, (American) can territory,) upon which the People met in mass, and demanded, oif auch were the fact, that the militia forthwith be called out to repel the attack The rumor, however, was unfounded although it does seem that some lasdians in the employ of the British bad been sent there to cut off the retral of the Navy Irland Prople, or w other sources of information say, "to unt."

> Some of the British regulars had sereached Toronto. When they reach Chippewa, the attack upon Nats Island will be a serious one.

Affairs at Washington .- The Whig etter-writers at Washington coness generally in asserting that the President will waive the Sub-Treasury ser tem and adopt that of Special Deposite in the State Banks. The acceptabile ty of this plan will depend very much upon its details. If it purport that the Public Money is to be co leeted and deposited in whatever money the Banks receiving it shall be willing to carry to the credit of the United States as cash and pay, whenever required, in spreadification, such money meanwhile we remain simply as a deposite, and not b be used, land, or discounted upon as a portion of the available means of the Banks, we believe it may easily b carried. If it provide that the Banks shall so receive it, but keep the whole amount in specie, positively at command of the Government, we presume this may be carried also, though by a desperate struggle. But if it be proed, kept, and disbursed sexclasively in specie, its fate must be at least ver! doubtful; and so far as the busness in terests of the country are concerned. there is no essential difference between isst session, and the new casts, which have occurred since. Much debate agas on this mat-Government agency on such condi-Lionar

> any additional circums once were wanting to exhibit not only the fully but the Dokedness of the Abulitanists in seeing to abolish dayey in the Die trict of Culumb. it would be supplied