

**GREENSBOROUGH:**

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 30.

“While Virtue reigns, let her sons rejoice.”

**A hint to Drunkards.**—The Grand Jury of this County, last week, presented a Juror for being intoxicated in the jury box, and the Court fined him fifty dollars; the fine is to be remitted to one dollar, if the Juror will prove to next Court that he has kept sober since the last term.

The late anniversary of American Independence was celebrated at Paris by a large party of American citizens. At the dinner, Mr. Barnett, the American Consul, presided, assisted by Mr. Peabody. Among the guests, were Gen. Lafayette, G. W. Lafayette, Mr. Levasseur, and Count Lassteyrie. Count Segur was prevented, by indisposition, from attending. Gen. Lafayette was toasted, to which he returned an appropriate address.

**Tragedy of Beauchamp.**—The Newbern Sentinel states, that Mr. Joseph Hutton, of that place, is engaged in writing a tragedy, founded on the murder of Col. Sharp, the execution of Beauchamp, &c.

**Early Crop.**—The Augusta Chronicle of the 12th inst. notices the arrival in that place of a load of Cotton of 100 bales. Another load was daily expected from the same plantation—The Cotton is said to be of a very superior quality, and was raised on the plantation of Paul Fitzsimon, whose agricultural enterprise and ability is spoken of in the highest terms.

The American Colonization Society received as Donations, the sum of \$1,824, from April 1st. to July 26, 1826.

Com. Porter has resigned his commission in the Navy of the United States, and it has been accepted at the Navy Department. The Commodore has been appointed commander of the Mexican Navy, with a salary of about \$24,000.

**ELECTION RETURNS.**

- Anson**—Senate, Joseph Pickett. Commons, Clement Marshal, and John Smith
- Ashe**—Senate, A. B. M'Millian. Commons Z. Baker and James Blevins.
- Brunswick**—Senate, B. R. Locke. Commons, Jacob Leonard and A. Fred Moore.
- Buncomb**—Senate, A. M'Dowell. Commons, John Clayton and D. L. Swain.
- Burke**—Senate, Matthew Baird. Commons, Edward Poor and David Newland.
- Cabarrus**—Senate, L. H. Alexander. Commons, R. Pickens and John C. Barnhart.
- Columbus**—Senate, James Burney. Commons, Caleb Stephens and L. R. Simmons.
- Camden**—Senate, Willis Wilson. Commons, Thomas Dozier and Simeon Jones.
- Currituck**—Senate, S. Salyear. Commons, W. D. Barnard and Enoch Bail.
- Craven**—Senate, Wm. Bullock. Commons, Joseph M'Kenna and W. Jackson.

- Davidson**—Senate, J. M. Smith. Commons, Thomas Hampton and John Ward.
- Duplin**—Senate, Stephen Miller. Commons, Wm. K. Frederick and Benjamin Best.
- Town of Edenton**—James Iredell.
- Gates**—Senate, E. R. Hunter. Commons, W. W. Stedman and John Walton.
- Hyde**—Senate, Benj. Foreman. Commons, Gillman Farrow and John J. Bonner.
- Heartford**—Senate, E. H. Sharp. Commons, B. L. Montgomery and Leonard Martin.
- Jones**—Senate, R. M'Daniel. Commons, E. Foy and O'Bryan Cox.
- Iredell**—Senate, Samuel King. Commons, R. Allison and Alexander Torrence.
- Lincoln**—Senate, D. M. Forney. Commons, O. Holland and B. Shipp.
- Montgomery**—Senate, E. Deberry. Commons, John Dargan and T. C. Dunn.
- Martin**—Senate, L. Cherry. Commons, David Latham and J. Cooper.
- Pasquotank**—Senate, T. Bell. Commons, Wm. I. Hardy and T. Jordan.
- Pitt**—Senate, John Joyner. Commons, M. Dickinson and W. Andrews.
- Rowan**—Senate, John Beard. Commons, John Clement and John Linn.
- Town of Salisbury**—C. Fisher.
- Sampson**—Senate, John Sellers. Commons, David Underwood and Thomas Sutton.
- Wilkes**—Senate, M. Stokes. Commons, Nathaniel Gordon and John Saintclair.

*For the Patriot.*

MR. EDITOR—I must apologize for some grammatical errors, which have occurred in the “Citizens brief remarks on Capt. Symmes Theory.” In one place the sense is entirely obscured—“covered by the acceleration of falling bodies.” It should have been “the law of gravitation is ascertained by the acceleration of falling bodies”—I give up all the other errors without correction, to those who can best support their dignity by smiling at them—While having seen more of the Captains reasons for the vacuum at the centre; I will again briefly remark, that the centrifugal force at the earth’s centre terminates in nothing—It is greatest at the surface of the earth where the motion is greatest, and as the squares of the distance terminates finally in nothing; the shade of the sun dial is not discernable, for it revolves on it but once in 24 hours, and if any dislocation of particles is to be accounted for by the centrifugal force, it would seem rather to apply to those on the surface than those at the centre.—As to the neutrality and destruction of cohesion at the centre from subcumbent matter gives me no idea, for the attractive matter tends to that point from every point on the surface; but as this effluvia or aura of gravitation is constantly tending to the centre, it appears natural to conjecture, that some modification should be made on it by condensation, to make space for the aura of gravitation, which must be constantly returning to the centre. We have an example in the solar focus formed by the burning glass, also, in the electric jar, when highly condensed it issues forth in the form of light from the jar; also the sun himself, while he is continually receiving the returning aura of gravitation, he is forever emitting his light. The atmosphere being accumulated at the poles, the poles will be centres of aerial gravitation; and the aura of aerial gravitation will be there accu-

mulated to such a degree as to send forth the Aurora Borealis, and from the arctic circles, the climate toward the poles (where the expansion of this aura of gravitation has taken place) may be more temperate. But to suppose the Earth perforated by a hollow of 5000 miles, we must suppose that the returning aura of gravitation from the cavity of the Earth, would create a vacuum of that aura in the centre of this cavity; this might account for the stream of this aura to the north pole; but if this was the construction of the earth in fact, we should look for another and another cavity in the different conical shells of the earth; but there is no necessity of recurring to this cavity to account for the constant current of attractive aura to the poles; and if this was the case we could not account for that power which holds all the planets with their poles pointing to a particular point in the heavens. This enquiry is extensive, and its investigation leads us deep into the hidden arcana of nature, the best theory is that which is universally applicable to all motion and life.

A CITIZEN.

The last Darien Gazette records the following singular circumstance:

A circumstance occurred in this city which, for its singularity, may not be deemed unworthy of notice in the transactions of the day—A Gun which had been dubbed *Thomas Jefferson*, on the 4th ult. which was brought out to perform the funeral salute, in commemoration of the departed Great. This sturdy “Bull Dog,” as if proud of the honor conferred on him, allowed himself to be disgorge of 82 thundering loads, without complaint: but the match was no sooner applied for the 83d and last for the age of Mr Jefferson, than he expired as a Gun! That is, he burst as if determined after performing the last duty to the memory of him, after whom he was named, to quit the world forever.

We are happy to state that no person was injured by the accident.

Horse racing appears to be carried on in Russia upon an extensive scale—67 wersts (43 miles) at a single heat.

The European papers mention a race recently run on the banks of the Don, in which a horse belonging to Count Platoff performed that distance in two hours and five minutes—many fine horses that started in the race, died before they could reach the goal, or immediately after their performance.—*U. S. Gaz.*

The University of Virginia has at present about 170 students within its walls. If the Law Lectures had commenced with the present session, it is calculated that the number would have increased to at least 200. There are students from all the states south of Delaware. Two from N. York. The Faculty are stricter than they were during last session; and the students generally more orderly and studious. Why should there be a single exception to this general result? *Fortunati nimium si sua bona norint!* The Architects are going on with the Anatomical Hall and the Rotunda. Of the latter the Library and the Portico are rapidly advancing. The Italian Capitals to the columns of the Portico are of the purest marble and of the most beautiful workmanship. The Faculty have established a Dispensary to be attached to the Medical School and to be attended three times in the week by the Professor of Medicine and his students; when medicines will be distributed on the most liberal terms, and the students will have an opportunity of seeing the attending patients.

*Rich. Eng.*

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**LOTTERY.**

The Drawing of Mr. Murphy's Lottery will commence on the 2d Monday of September next. Persons wishing to purchase tickets can be supplied by applying to Dr. Mebane or Christopher Moring, Esq. of this town.

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