

LEGISLATURE.—On Thursday last, his Excellency Governor OWEN, in the presence of both Houses of the Legislature, and a number of spectators, took the oaths pertaining to his office, as Governor.

The Bill to vest the right of electing Sheriffs in the free white men of the State, has passed its second reading in the Senate, by a vote of 32 to 26. But little doubt is entertained of its passage in that branch.

In the House of Commons, on Thursday, on motion of Mr. Nicholson of Richmond, the committee of Finance were instructed to enquire into the expediency of directing the Public Treasurer to issue Treasury Notes, to the amount of \$75,000.—Mr. Cooper submitted a resolution to reduce the tax for peddling on navigable streams, from \$25 to \$10.—The committee subsequently reported, that it is inexpedient at this time, to diminish it.

The bill to provide for a division of negroes and other chattel property, held in common, passed its third reading & was ordered to be engrossed. This bill provides, that when any persons shall be entitled, as tenants in common, to negroes or other chattel property, and a division is desired, it may be lawful for the person wishing a division to file a petition for that purpose, under the same rules as are prescribed in the act of 1762, for the better care of orphans and securities, &c. And the Court is to order a sale of the property, taking care to secure to each tenant in common, their rateable share in severalty of the proceeds of such sale. If a sale is not deemed by the Court necessary, then three freeholders are to be chosen and sworn to divide such property as nearly equal as possible, & report the division to the Court for their approval or rejection.

Mr. Hill submitted a resolution, which was rejected, instructing the Judiciary Committee, to enquire into the expediency of giving to House-builders, a lien upon any House they may build, for the payment of their just demands for constructing the same. The bill authorising the Board of Internal Improvement to contract for the re-opening and improvement of Currituck Inlet, passed its third reading 96 to 25, and was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

In the House, on Friday, on motion of Mr. Blair, the committee of Finance were instructed to enquire into the expediency of so amending the Revenue Law, as to provide for the collection of a tax on incomes derived from stock held by citizens of this State, in incorporated companies not chartered by the State.

This bill to provide for obtaining information as to the produce exported from the State, was postponed indefinitely, on its second reading, by a vote of 85 to 33. In the Senate, the Bill for the erection of a District, from portions of Burke and Buncombe, to be called Yancey, passed its second reading. The bill originally proposed a new county, but having been remodelled it and reported it as it now stands. It will, in all probability, pass the Senate.

A report was made from the committee, to whom that part of the Governor's Message was referred, recommending the purchase of slaves to carry on our works of Internal Improvement. The committee are fully of the opinion, that they are the only effective force which can be employed in this Southern country, but deem it inexpedient at this time, when there are no works on an extended scale in which they can be employed, to make the purchase suggested by the Governor.

The Bank Bill was taken up, in committee of the whole. Mr. Sneed in the chair, and Mr. Martin opened the debate. He was followed by Mr. Meares, who is opposed to the passage of the bill, in a speech characterised by great vigor of thought. When he resumed his seat, the committee rose, reported progress & obtained leave to sit again.

In the Senate, on the same day, considerable debate arose on the bill proposing a modification of the punishment for the crime of Bigamy. Mr. Meares opposed and Messrs. Wellborn and Dick advocated its passage. It was lost by one vote, the result being 29 to 28. It was however subsequently reconsidered and laid on the table. Thomas Norman, now in Guilford Jail under sentence of death for this offence, has been again respited by the Governor, until the 8th of January.

Mr. Hoke submitted a Resolution, proposing an inquiry into the expediency of imposing a tax on Gold Mines, or the proceeds thereof, for the purpose of revenue.

Mr. Hinton of Beaufort, presented a

bill to amend the act of last session, entitled an act to amend the law with respect to the collection of debts from the estates of deceased persons, and the law in relation to the levying of executions issued by Justices of the Peace. The bill passed its first reading, and on motion of Mr. Meares, was ordered to be printed and referred to the Judiciary committee.

In the House of Commons on Saturday, but little business, except of a private nature, was transacted. Several references were made to the Judiciary Committee. One touching the expediency of revising and consolidating the Laws, relative to Surveyors, Entry-takers and the entry of vacant and unappropriated land. Another, proposing the passage of a law, requiring Plaintiffs in execution, in the first place, to take out executions against the goods and chattels &c. which execution must be returned, no property being found, before any *ca. sa.* can issue. Another, proposing an examination of the laws, requiring Plaintiffs to give security for the prosecution of suits, for the purpose of ascertaining whether any amendments are necessary.

The newly erected Episcopal Church in this city will be consecrated on Sunday next, by Bishop Ravenscroft. Several Clergymen from a distance are expected.

State Bank.—After the Committee appointed by the Stockholders of this Institution had held a Conference with the Bank Committee of the Legislature, on the subject of amending their Charter in certain particulars, so as to enable the Bank more conveniently to close its concerns, without oppressing their dealers, the Stockholders adjourned, to meet again on the second Monday in January.

The President of the United States has appointed Stephen Charles, Collector of the port of Elizabeth City, in this State, in the place of Asa Rogerson, removed.

Unprecedented Despatch.—The Express, with the President's Message, arrived at Fayetteville in three hours and twelve minutes, from Raleigh—a distance of 60 miles. The time would have been less than this even, but we understand that one of the horses employed, fell through a bridge and broke his leg, and his rider had to run on foot for nearly a mile, until he reached the next stage.

Mr. Adams has arrived at Washington, on a visit to his son.

CONGRESS.—Both Houses assembled on Monday last, at the Capitol, agreeably to the Constitutional provision. Mr. Smith, of Maryland, President *pro tem.* took the chair of the Senate. In the House of Representatives, Andrew Stevenson, of Virginia, was elected Speaker, and Matthew St. Clair Clark, Clerk.—Virgil Maury opposed Mr. Clark, but only received 54 votes. All the other late officers of that body were re-elected.

The Hon. Thomas B. Reed, Senator in Congress from the State of Mississippi, died at Lexington, Kentucky, on the 26th ultimo, of a pulmonary disease. Mr. R. was on his way to Washington to take his seat in the Senate, when he was arrested by the illness that terminated his career. Mr. R. was in the meridian of life, was a gentleman of fine talents, and greatly esteemed by his friends.

The proposition which has been before the Legislature of Georgia for altering the Constitution, so as to have biennial, instead of annual sessions of the Legislature, was rejected in the Senate on the 24th ult. by a vote of 37 to 27.

The National Intelligencer contrasts the circumstances attending the meeting of the First Congress in New York, with the present one. In the Senate, on the day of meeting of the First Congress, 8 members only attended; and it was 29 days before a quorum could be got together. In the House of Representatives, 13 Members only attended on the first day: it was 19 days before any Member arrived from New-York, New-Jersey, Delaware, Maryland or Georgia: and it was 27 days before a quorum was formed.

On the day of the meeting of the present Congress, nine-tenths of the whole number of 264 members, were in their places, nearly half of whom travel thither from a distance greater than that travelled by any member of the First Congress.

Tuscaloosa Coal.—A mine of Coal, which is said to be superior to the Lehigh or Liverpool Coal, has been discovered in the vicinity of Tuscaloosa. An artist who has used this Coal, states that two barrels of it is equal to three of the Liverpool Coal.

The following statement of the array of parties in Congress is given by the New-York Journal of Commerce.

"In the Senate, 26 Administration members, and 22 Anti-Administration—in the House, 146 Administration, 71 Anti-Administration, and 3 doubtful."

Shameful Outrage.—On Wednesday evening of last week, about 6 o'clock, as a gentleman was passing one of the principal streets in New-York, he heard the screams of a child on the opposite side of the way, and saw a man exerting himself to force a small girl to follow him, at the same time addressing to her most foul and indecent language. The man had hold of her clothes, & had dragged her cloak entirely over her head. She struggled violently to get loose, while her assailant endeavoured to detain her. The gentleman immediately approached the parties, seized the man, and forced him to desist from violence. The girl to the utter astonishment of her protector, proved to be his own daughter, a fine girl about 12 years of age, just returning from dancing school. The man was discovered to be one of the pressmen of the Morning Courier and Enquirer, named John Thomas.

ITEMS.—A specimen of a Rail Road, about 600 feet in length, is laid down in Columbia, and on Tuesday afternoon, a car loaded with 40 bags of Cotton, was in motion on it, much to the satisfaction of the persons who witnessed it.

At a general meeting of the Planters on the island of St. Simons', held on the 19th inst. it was found, by an exact statement of acres planted the present year in cotton and the quantity gathered, that the average product of the whole crop, only amounted to 76 pounds per acre; and from the best information obtained from the main, the average there would not be so great as upon the island.

A Bill has passed the Senate of Tennessee, prohibiting the circulation of Bank notes for a less amount than Five Dollars, from and after the first day of July next.

A cause was lately tried which originated in a dispute upon a pair of small clothes. The Judge, who was a noted punster, observed, it was the first time he had ever known a suit to be made out of a pair of breeches.

By a tabular statement of the Banks in Georgia Journal, the following result appears:

Singular Coincidence.—It will be remembered, that when Niblo's spacious (old) hotel, in Petersburg, Virginia, was burnt down about two years ago, there was the sign of a stage attached to it, in which the figure of Gen. Jackson was conspicuously represented; and that notwithstanding the heat of the conflagration, the painting remained uninjured, the sign not having even been scathed.—An exactly similar occurrence has recently taken place in S. C. where an awful conflagration occurred on the 23d ultimo.—Among the houses destroyed, was the Jackson Hotel. That building had for its sign, what purported to be a likeness of the General. It hung within a few feet of the walls of the house, and between that and Goodman's Hotel.—While both buildings were one sheet of living flame, and while every thing else combustible was burning to ashes, Old Hickory stood his ground unscathed as he has always done amid the fiery bolts of his foes.

On the 25th of December last, a white shad was caught in the Pedee river, in this State, a circumstance said by persons who had numbered their three score and ten years upon the banks of the river, to be unprecedented. But we are informed by a friend in Richmond county of a still more remarkable fact; that one was taken in the Pedee, in the traps of Col. Stephen Wall, of that county, on the morning of the 30th ult. An old gentleman of Rockingham, to whom it was presented, would not believe the evidence of his senses, until his taste convinced him that there was "no mistake" in it.

Mail Robbery.—We understand that a Robbery of the Mail was committed on the Road from Philadelphia to Reading, and not far from Philadelphia on Saturday morning last at 2 o'clock, by three armed footpads. There were ten passengers in the Mail Stage at the time, (some of them females.) One of the passengers was robbed of Five Hundred Dollars and two Gold Watches, and the Mail Bag was rifled of its contents.—Nat. Int.

There has been nothing yet heard of the United States Sloop of War HONNET, since her being driven away from off Fairport in a violent gale of wind. The fears grow stronger that she will never be heard of more.—Nat. Int.

SEDUCTION.—An action brought by Samuel De Mott for the seduction of his daughter Jane, against Oliver S. Denton, was tried on Monday in the New-York Circuit Court. It appeared that the daughter, now in her twentieth year, was of a respectable family, and that she had always sustained an irreproachable character.—The defendant resided in the same neighborhood, they were nearly of the same age and had known each other from childhood. For two years he had paid her his addresses, and having accomplished her seduction deserted her. It appeared that the defendant's father was a man of fair substance, worth from thirty to forty thousand dollars.—It appeared also that the defendant had told the brother of Jane that they might go on with their suit as he had money enough for them. He also told one of the witnesses that he had treated the girl ill and ought to have had her. The Jury returned a verdict of \$7,500 damage. Bost. Adv.

JACKSON, LOU, Oct. 17. Dangerous Strangers.—Some time last week while some negroes were engaged in picking out cotton in a field near Thompson's Creek, about 6 or 7 miles below this place, they were suddenly surprised by a Tigress leaping into the field, and seizing a dog. The negroes not aware of their own danger, repaired to the assistance of their dog, when a terrible battle ensued—more dogs were brought into action; notwithstanding the Tigress would have made dreadful havoc among them, if a Spaniard living near the scene of battle had not interposed—with knife in hand, he boldly engaged the ferocious animal—he received several severe wounds and the Tigress had him down and would have conquered him, had not the negroes succeeded in thrusting a large stick in the mouth of the Tigress, and held her until a gun was brought, when she was shot. She measures 7½ feet from her nose to the end of the tail. The male was seen afterwards in the neighboring woods—he appeared much larger than the Tigress. It is somewhat strange, indeed, that these animals should be travelling in this section of the country. It is probable that they have emigrated from South America by the way of Mexico, Texas, Opelousas, and crossed the Mississippi near the mouth of False river. Some two or three years ago, a Tiger was killed on the hills near Russellville, in the interior of Kentucky.

The passion for celebrity of some kind or other, is so strong and enduring among men, as to put them at times upon strange ways of securing the object of their aspirations. At the head of the list of aspirants for negative fame, common consent seems to place the gentlemen who fired the temple of Diana at Ephesus, with the sole view of connecting his name with that celebrated structure, in imperishable memory.—The New-York Morning Herald mentions another instance of this morbid desire for celebrity. It has all the novelty and folly, though not the crime, of that of Ephesus. Though not very "important," we must say it is a wonderful story, "if true." "Every body knows," says the Herald, that the Falls of Niagara are regarded as the prime wonder of the world. To say that they have seen the Falls has been a grand desideratum with those who have not much else to urge by way of distinction from the common herd of mankind.—An amateur of this sort of fame struck out a new path some years ago. He embarked at Liverpool—encountered all the discomforts and perils of a sea-voyage of three thousand miles—arrived at New-York—ascended the Hudson—traversed the western district; crossed the Niagara River—came within sound of the roar of waters, enquiring as he went how much farther was the distance, and when informed that he was but half a mile from the cataract, wheeled about and returned to Europe for the avowed object of having it in his power to say what no other living man could say, that he had been within half a mile of the cataract, but had not seen it." Balt. Pat.

GARDEN SEED. THE Subscriber has received a supply of Garden Seed, which he will warrant fresh and genuine. C. D. LEHMAN. Raleigh, Nov. 26, 1829.

BLANKS. Of all kinds for sale at this Office.

THIS Board will meet in the Conference Room of the Capital this evening (Monday) at seven o'clock. Delegates and others invited to attend. Dec. 11.

Sale of Negroes & Town Property.

ON the 8th of January, next will be sold at the Court House door in Raleigh five valuable and likely negro slaves the property of the late Wm. Glendening on a credit of six months, the purchaser giving bond with approved security.

On the first day of the County Court of Wake in February next, being the third Monday in February—will be sold on the premises also a valuable Lot and Improvements in Raleigh, being the same whereon the late Wm. Glendening resided. The Lot is eligibly situated, lies opposite the State Bank near the Capitol square, and has on it many improvements. The sale is made for closing a trust created in the will of Wm. Glendening deceased, and will be on a credit of 6 and 12 months, the purchaser giving bond with approved security. HENRY POTTER, only surviving Ex'r of Wm Glendening dect. by PARKER BOND, Agent. 5th Decr. 1829.

NAPLES SOAP.

WILLIAMS & HAYWOOD, have lately received a supply of genuine Naples Soap; together with a great variety of other Perfumery such as Cologne and Lavender Waters, Massard and Bears' Oil, Cosmetic Wash Balls for beautifying the skin, highly scented Rose, Palm, Olive, Oriental, Violet, Lavender, Vegetable, Ceylon, Jessamine and Cinnamon Soaps. Also, Shaving Cakes, which are highly recommended to those gentlemen who shave themselves.—All of which they will sell unusually cheap. Raleigh Nov. 18.

The Celebrated Race Horse & Stallion.



WASHINGTON. BY TIMOLEON, out of the celebrated Mare Mare Ariadne, by Citizen, will stand again in this place the ensuing season, at my Stable. The particulars will be made known in due time. JNO. C. VANHOOK. Leesburg, Caswell, N. C. Nov. 18. The Star will insert this 2 weeks, & charge the same to the Register Office.

The late Dr. Wm. H. Hunter.

THE subscriber having administered to the Estate of the late Dr. William H. Hunter of Raleigh, deceased, calls upon all persons indebted to the Estate of the deceased to pay the same forthwith, and requests that all persons who have any demands upon said Estate, will make them known to him, that they may be settled. THOS. G. SCOTT, Admr. Nov. 23rd, 1829.

NOTICE. ON Thursday, 17th December will be sold at the Plantation of the late Dr. William H. Hunter, all his Farming utensils, Corn, Fodder, Hay, &c. Terms of sale—six months credit, the purchaser giving Bond with approved security. THOS. G. SCOTT, Admr. Nov. 23rd 1829.

LAND FOR SALE.

BY virtue of a decree of the Court of Equity of Franklin County, made at Fall Term, 1829, I shall offer for sale to the highest bidder, at the Courthouse in Lewisburg, on Tuesday the 15th day of December next, a Tract of Land, lying in the county of Franklin, on the waters of Lynch's Creek, adjoining the lands of Wm. Johnson, Jas. Houze & others; supposed to contain about 700 acres, it being the late residence of Isaac Houze, jr. dec. sold for the purpose of making partition amongst the heirs of said Isaac. The above land will be sold on a credit of one, two and three years, by equal installments, the purchaser giving bonds with approved security for the purchase money—the last two bonds to bear interest after twelve months from the date. SAML. JOHNSON, C. M. E. Nov. 10, 1829.

Superior Court of Law.

Chatham County, Fall Term, 1829. Alfred Vestal & others vs. Thos. Vestal & others. Petition for the division of Lands of William Vestal, dec. Appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that John Vestal, one of the defendants in this case, is not an inhabitant of this State, it is therefore ordered, that notice be published in the Raleigh Register for six months of the filing of the Petition, and that the said John Vestal, at the next term of this Court, on the 3d Monday of March next, plead, answer or demur to the petition, or the same will be taken pro confesso and heard ex parte. CHAS. J. WILLIAMS, Clerk Sup. Court.

THE SUBSCRIBER.

OFFERS for Sale his HOUSE & LOTS in the Town of Oxford, with the LAND adjoining—about 200 acres—of which about 60 acres are Woodland. The House is 52 by 40 feet, commodious, and well finished throughout, having 4 rooms with fire places on each floor, with a wide passage on each—a garret distributed into closets and two comfortable rooms; and a cellar under the whole divided into several apartments. It is situated in a most beautiful grove of Oaks, attached to it is a large Falling Garden furnished with fruits selected from the north—an Ice-House constructed of rock—a stone Spring-House—a Well of excellent water in the yard—an Office in the yard suitable for a Lawyer, and every necessary Out-house, all in good repair. Also, a TAN-YARD now in operation, which will give employment to 3 or 4 hands, having 10½ acres of land attached to it, and on the premises is a comfortable two-story Dwelling, with every convenience for a family residence. A better constructed Yard is seldom seen any where. This property will be disposed of on reasonable and accommodating terms. THOS. B. LITTLEJOHN. Oxford, Sept. 1.

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