THE COMMERCIAL

WILMINGTON, N. C. SATURDAY MAY 24, 1851.

CLOSING THE STORES. It has been arranged that all the stores in town be closed at sundown, both Dry Goods and Groceries. The regulation as respects Grocery Stores goes into operation on Monday next. The Dry Goods Stores have been under the rule since the 15th inst.

TO CORRESPONDETTS.

The effusion of our fair Correspondent "Lizzie Lovell" shall appear on Tuesday. Candor compels us to say that its metre is defective, which, we trust, she will hercafter avoid in other compositions.

HERE'S AND A COLORADO AND A COLORADO MEDICAL JOURNAL.

We have received the May number of "The Charleston Medical Journal and Review," edited by D. J. Cain, M. D. and F. Peyre' Porchers, M. D: It is published once in two months, by Walker & Jamesl at Four Dollars per annum, payable in advance.

THE PRESIDENT.

The last accounts we have of The President, he was at Rochester. of "knocking" notoriety, and was expected to return to Washington in a day or TRAFT UNDER ON CASE 1900

STATE OF THERMOMETOR -WEATHER, 22 Thursday, 1 o'clock, very healthy.

or the POST OFFICE.

A new Post Office has been established at Orrange county N. C. and Josiah T. Moore appointed Postmaster.

200-37406 STEAM BOAT COLLISION The Baltimore steamer Ohio, one of the line steamers plying between Baltimore and Philadelphia, sunk in Delaware on the night of the 20th inst., having come in collision with the steamer Stockton. Four passengers were drawned; the rest escaped with the loss of their baggage. A young man named Taylon, a Clerk in a Hat Store in Charleston, was among the lost. He had gone oh a visit to his parents in Brooklyn, N. Y.

CASTING REFLECTIONS.

Our friend of the Register seems disposed to cast reflections upon the Editor of the Standard, He advises that a full sized mirror be purchased for his use, as well as that of the other Excellen. cy. We guess the gentlemen did not wait to be advised, but long since came to the resolution of fixing matters up in a style shited to the several | 000 in cost in favor of the line by Vinsons; the digaity of their several positions. We think they may have said :

"We'll have our office lined with looking glass, "And entertain a score or two of tailors, "To study fashions to adora our bodies."

But if the full sized mirror is got, we hope Mr. GALES will endeavor to be on hand, and give a re-

MAJOR GWYNN'S REPORT. We cannot find room for the excellent Report tion of the roads-for the ranson that the Wilof Major Gurns, of the surveys for the North Carolina Esil Road. We are compelled to content ourselves with an extract, comprising the FIRST DIVISION:

This Division unites the North Carolina Rail Road with the Wilmington and Raleigh Rail Road, thus forming a c .ntinuous line from the Sasboard

through the heart of the State, and reducing to The II S mail S pected yesterday with Gold from California, has realization the long deferred hopes of a Central not arrived at this writing. She is advertised to Rail Road. The Charter requires that the Rail Road shall sail from this port, for New Orleans and Chagres

connect with the Wilmington and Raleigh Rall on the 26th inst. but to day the Cherokee has Road, "where the same passes over the Neuse !" been substituted and will make the voyage in her The bridge of the Wilmington and Raleigh Rail place. Road over the Neuse, is unlted to the main land Such is the competition between the steamer

on each side by frestle work across extensive low plying between this city and the Isthmus, that grounds, subject to frequent inundations, which the fares especially for passage from Chagres affords no secure site for a landing or suitable here, are very low. The passage out is another blace for building. As this provision for the char- matter; still a man may go out, like a lord for

These lines are all laid down on the accompa-

found, that the line passing through Waynesbero'

Goldsboro'.

map by the red line.

Cameron's

the other lines.

cost \$25 511.

The cost, distance and degree of enrvature be-

ing all in favor of the South line, I am compelled

in a professional point of view to give it my pre-

ference. There are other considerations, howev-

er, which may properly influence the Board, such

as the propriety, probably the necessity and ob-

ligation of the Company, to put a depot within

the corporate limits of Raleigh, which would be

attended with no serious objections so far as the

grades of the road are concerned on the Middle

line ; while on the South line the road ascends

with a uniform grade of 474 feet per mile past

would be very objectionable, on accoust of the

difficulty of stopping the descending and starting

the ascending trains, and this objection can, only

be removed by introducing a lighter grade, which

can in no other way be effected than by increasing

the rate of ascent from Walnut Creek, which

would operate against this line; but as the grade

would be in favor of the heavy tonnage, it would

still maintain its superiority over the middle line

Recurring again to the commencement of the

line at the Wilmington and Raleigh Rail Boad, I

ter was evidently intended to unite the Rail Road, \$50 as far as Chagres, and more humbly in the with Steamboat Navigation on the Neuse, and steerage for 20, though the nominal price is doubthus extend its benefits and a participation of its ly that sum.

The Californians who return in these Steamer advantages to the lower Neuse, I have on account of the objections above assigned to a strict speak of them in high terms, as being much superior to the Steamers between Panama and compliance with the letter of the charter, directed

at Goldsboro', instead of at the point of d

mington and Raleigh Rall Road Company, having warshouses already crected at Goldsbero', could

thout additional expense to them give accom-odations that would be a saving the Compa

New Yorg, May 21, 1851.

to which was ex

San Francisco, owing propably, to the want o the approach to the Wilmington and Raleigh Rait competition on the other side. A man the other Road, by the way of Wayneshoro', which 'affords day in my office informed me that he came home the perrest eligible site to the point, where the from Chagres in the first Cabin, or Saloon, and fared sumptiously, at a cost of only \$20, So Wilmington and Raleigh Rail Road passes the Neuse for a landing. Here the changel washes the base of a high bank which is rarely if ever great was the competition for passengers at Chaoverflowed, affording every necessary facility for gres, at one time since January last, that the Steamship Captains had orders from the owners transhipment. Making Waynesboro' therefore, a to sell state room tickets for ten dollars and steerpoint in the location, three lines were run from station 228, four and a half miles West of Goldsage births for \$5, if the opposition went as low boro' to the Wilmington and Raleigh Rail Road ; as that. The Lassage is now made in 8 days and one by the way of Goldsboro', thence to Waynesa fraction.

boro' making Wavnesboro' the terminus of the Adams & Co.'s Messenger, with Express freight, Road. One by Waynesboro' to Goldsboro' direct. came through from San Francisco, last time, in and one by Waynesboro', intersecting the Wilmingone month only! ton and Raleigh Rail Road, 1.08 miles South of

The "Brother Jonathan," which was advertised to sail on the 13 inst. will not leave until the 26th. The California Steamers find it impossible to obnying map in the order here referred to, lettered tain passengers and freight enough now-a-days. A. B. and C. and a comparison of their cost. The "million" that Messrs Howland and Aspenwall have made by their steamers will not be length, and grades will be found on a sheet hereto augmented much during the next year or two. annexed, upon an examination of which it will be As I write, the newsboys are straining their and intersecting the Wilmington and Raleigh Rail throats with vociferous announcements of the arrival of the Africa, with the latest European news Road 1.08 miles south of Goldsboro', designated Agentleman who occupies a store in Wall as C. on the map. is 2,887 feet shorter and will Street for which he pays \$1,200 a year (for a sincost \$10,277 less than line A. which stands next gle floor) was yesterday offered a rent of \$1.800 in the comparison. Commencing at station 228. per annum for 3 years, if inclined to relinquish it. the point of divergance of the routes above des-This would have yielded him of course a clear cribed, two lines were run to Monut Auburn, ten profit of \$600 a year-enough to support a single miles East of Raleigh, one crossing the Neuse man of unexpensive tastes-but upon inquiring river at Smithfield, the other crossing on the lands closely into the character of the applicant, and of Wm, Vinson, four miles above Smithfield. The result shows 1 mile, 1720 feet in distance and \$11,his past employments. hecame, rather reluctantly, to the conclusion, that should he accede to rate of grade and length of straight line, is also the offer, the store would soon be metamorphosed into a mock auction establishment. It was rathin favor of this route; it was therefore selected as er a delicate question to put to a man of genteel

From Mount Auburn, after a most thorough examination and survey of the country, with the legitimate business or a mock auction trade .-view of obtaining the best route through the City ort of the very first appearance of our friend of Baleigh, three lines were selected for compari- "What do you call a mock auction ?" said the

Holder, before that article of official necessity .- son which will be designated as the South mid- other. "A Peter Funk business," replied my



STEAMER AFRICA. 4 DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

New Yong, May 21, 10 A. M The stoamship Africa, from Liverpoo', arrived this morning, bringing 63 passengera.

The Humboldt, from New, York to Havre, was The Africa's passage is one of the best to this

port, of the Canard Company's line, having accomplished the passage in ten days and seventeen

Among the passengers in the Africa is the new French minister. Sal

According to Hamburg letters, measures of conciliation are being taken by the Danish Cabnet.

The opening of the Frankfort Diet has been postponed from the 12th to the 13th inst. The King of Prussia and the Emperor of Bussia

are, it is said, to meet at Warsaw during the present month. . Prince Schwarzenburg is to leave Vienna for Dresden on the 12th inst.

Arrived at Liverpool 7th, Shooting Star, from Baltimore. The Iona, of Baltimore, was passed water logged and abandoned in flat. 39, long, 65. Loading at Liverpeol, Athens, for Baltimore. Arrived at Bremerhaven 5th, Regina, from Baltimore, and Suplice and Orion, do. Arrived at Cadiz 28th, Harkaway, from Baltimore. Arrived at Queenstown 4th, St. Patrick, from Baltimore.

ENGLAND.

In the Commons, Mr. Bailey brought forward his motion for a repeal of the malt tax. He said the effect of thetax was to increase the price of beer to the poor man, who had to pay 500 per cent upon his beer, and this had the effect of diminishing the consumption. The House then divided when the numbers were, for the motion 122 agaitst it 258; majority against the motion 136. Mr. Hume moved for a select committee to inquire whether the mode of assessing and laying the income tax might not be made more equally conitable. Some discussion then took place, and the motion was agreed to. The other orders of the day were then agreed to and the House adjourned.

Everything with regard to the great exhibition progress satisfactory, and the papers are filled with the wonders of American and Continential industry.

The Liverpool councils have confirmed their esolution not to oppose the modified bill of the American chamber of commerce in relation to the dock estate.

Lord John Russell has given reason to hope that the Hungarian refugees will shortly be set at liberty.

FRANCE. There is little of interest, beyond the usual

ST CHURCH CASE THE MOT Initad 1 ates Circuit Court at an early hour this more frons of hearing the argum a the Methodist E South. Among them we noticed several clergymen of various denominations, and the gallery was occapied by a number of ladies. Judges Nelson and Betts took their scats on

the bench at ten o'clock, and the counsel for the parties soon made their appearance at the bar. Scott, Durbin, Peck, Kennady,

The litle of the cause is Henry R. Bascom and others vs. George Lane and others, and the complaint is filed in equity for the purpose of enforc-Concern.

Daniel D. Lord, Esq., of this city, appeared for be founded when this report was closed. the complainant, Mr. Webster, who is also engaged on the same side, being absent. For the defendants, appeared the Hon. Rufus Choate, of Massachusetts, and George Wood, Esq., of this city. Hon Thomas Ewing was also present, he being counsel for defendants in a similar suit against the branch Methodist Book Concern of Cincinnati.

Daniel Lord opened the case with a brief detail of the general facts and circumstances of the case The subject of this control ersy a what is denominated "the Book Concern," in the city of New York, the funds of which amount to \$750,000 --In the carly history of the Methodist denomination, the press was resorted to by Mr. Wesley for the purpose of disseminating a religious literature. The nucleus of the esiallishment in this country was in Philadelphia, whence it was soon after removed to New York. It became ultimately a concern of great magnitude. In 1836 their building was burnt down, but was soon rebuilt, and the Concern gradually increased in its operations until it reached its present large extent --The profits of the fund were devoted to making up a provision for superanuated preachers the widows and orphans of deceased ministers &c. The affairs of this denomination are governed by what are called annual conferences and a gene ral conference. In 1781 there was but one annual conference, but afterwards, and for a long period of time, there were soven? The conferences consisted of all the preachers who "travelled" a particular circuit. In 1844 there were thirty two or thirty-three annual conferences. The general system of the Methodist elergy is to itinerate from one church to another. Many of these were unable to pay their ministers, and the conferences provided for them as far as they could When the conferences were too poor to provide for them, a deficiency of course occurred, and it was to supply this deficiency in part that the surplus funds of the Book Concern were appropriated. In 1808 the power of the general conference became so absolute that the more conservative members of the denomination began to fear that it would be dangerous, as it might even alter the doctrines of the church, and a chauge was

then made in its organization, providing that it should be composed of delegates instead of all by Geo. Harriss. Exports in next

foe reading of the application was

Mr. Lord here stated that Bishop Bascom ha ad since the bringing of the suit, he ha obtained a consent from the defendants to subs inte the name of the Rev. William A. Smith one of the plaintiffs, and an order of the con making such substitution was accord logly mad Mr. Lord commenced his argument by statin

that Emery's History, the Book of Discipline, th printed journals of the conference prior to 184 the manuscript journals of the conference prior Southern clergy present, Bey, Drs. Early, 1840, and other documents, were to be introduce Prince, Smith ; Northern elergy present, Rey. Drs. | as evidence, by agreement between the parties. He then read extracts from the Book of Dis cipline of 1840, page 197; Dr. Emory's Histor, under the year 1800; the Articles of Religion the Six Restrictive Articles; Wesley's Letter ing a division of the funds of the Methodist Book Dr. Coke, Mr. Francis Asbury, and the brethre in North America, &c., and had not finished read The Hon. Reverdy Johnson, of Baltimore, and ing the authorities upon which his argument is t

PORTLAND, ME.

Governor Habbard's message to the Lo ture of fliis State, was delivered this morning.-He makes severe complaint against Massachu setts, for her illiberal polloy in regard to her land claims in Maine, and especially in refusing to aid in the construction of Aroostook road, which passes principally through territory claimed by her. He says that, should Massachusetts contin ue her present attitude, it will become with Maine a questions of serious import, what means of redress shall be adopted to protect herself.

ANOTHER SCIENTIFIC WONDER' IMPOR-TANT TO YSPEPTICS.-Dr. J. S. HOUGH-TON'S PEPSIN, the True Digestice Fluid, or Gas-tric Juics, prepared from RENNET, or the Fourth Stomach of the OX, after disections from Baron LIEBIG, the great Physiological Chemist, by J. S. HAUGHTON, M. D., Philadelphia. This is truly a wonderful remedy for INDIGESTION, D YS-PEPSIA, JAUNDICE, LIVER COMPLAINT, CONSTIPATION and DEBILITY, engine after CONSTIPATION and DEBILITY, curing after NATURE'S OWN METHOD, by NATURE'S OWN AGENT, the GASTRIC JUICE. Pamph-lets, containing Scientific evidence of its value, tud niched by agents gratis. See notice in advertising columns. 66 and 6 faith restroyed as atal2m-c

MARINE NEWS

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23. Schr. Mary Powell, Briggs, for, New York by Geo. Harriss. Exports in pext. Brig Buena Vista, Myers, for New York, by Geo Harriss. Exports in next, Schr. Wm. Hart Gandy, for Philadelphia, by Geo. Harriss. Exports in next. Schr. E. S. Powell, Powell, for New York, by leo. Barriss. Exports in next. Schr. A. J. DeRosset, Brewster, for New York. by DeRosset & Brown, with 1169 bbls. Rosin. Spirits Turpentine, 18 bales Yarn. 24 do Shecting, 58 bushels Pea Nuts, 1 hhd. Wax, 17,190 feet S S Lumber S Lumber, Steamer Chatkam, Evans, for Fayeticville, by C. Worth. Passengers-The Misses Dally, Fox, Helen Owen, and Martha Owen Thaggart, Walker, folines, Savage, Green, Barr, Wood, Mrs. Powell Mrs. Murphy 8 children and servant, Meurs Green, Bryan, Smith, Banks, Strange, Powell. Steamer Evergreen, Rush, for Fayctteville, by A. D. Cazaux, with milze to sundry persons.

the basis of the estimate and is designated on the exterior, and "the highest references," but he asked the applicant plainly, if, as he wanted it for a dry good auction room, he was going to do a

me may think he will exclaim : "Hence ! horrible shadow !"

Not so-he will rather perpetrate the following "Hyperion curls | The front of Jove himself! "An eye like mars, to threaten or command !" We expect to see a decided change in our friend Hounes, when we go up to Baleigh. Instead of the staid and sober personage we have been used to see in the leader of the unterrified, we may Walnut creek near Mr. Hutchings', it ascends find the "Bean Nash" of the city of Raleigh. Keep an eye and an ear for the Capitol, Mr. Gates. Some of these mornings you may hear a ductte, beginning;

H .- "Graceful, graceful, graceful Governot !" Gov - "Finished, finished, finished" Editor !

And ending no one can tell how-because there is no counting on the extent of a mutual admiraon and esteem.

FROM CALIFORNIA.

The steamship Georgia arrived at New Or leans on the 21st inst. with three hundred paseagers, including Gen. SMITH, who is re-called from California. The dates from San Francisco are to the 15th of April. The news is not important, but the accounts from the mines are less

There is great excitement at Honolulu, in conse co of the threatened blockake by the French Ring is determined; if the French persist, to throw himself on the protection of the United States, Spinster Ladiani,

A MARTINE MARTINE A SINGULAR AFFAIR.

me ago, Reyolds Carpenter, of Pownal fermont, lost \$4,000 while on a tour to buy wool in the Western States. A few days ago, the cashher of the Stock Bank at Bennington received by apress a little box containing \$3,439 of the money, and a letter from Louisville, Ky., directing in to place the sum to the credit of Mr. Carpenfer, and stating that the fatter found the money, and had used a portiop of it, which he will return as soon as he is able. This houesty is not only emarkable, but cool. Wonder if the Kentucky centleman will pay interest on the \$561.

AFFAIRS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY. The Rockville (Md.) Journal, of Saturday, ins the sourced puragraphs:

Wa. Edinbe, who was covicted of a conspiracy entice slaves from their owners, and was senad to five years, imprisonment in the county Raleigh, upon which the establishment of a depot and to pay a fine of five bundred dollars, has a pardoned by the Governor, and his fine renot He hid in tail over twenty-one months and his departure on Wednesday morning t for his home in Pennsylvania. The ground his pardon was a petition to the Governor, ay numeronaly signed by citizens of this conn-who were entished, from facts which came to mown since his conviction, that he was not wof the charge of which he was convicted al least; they were such as to render his guilt trimely doubtful, and shorether improbable. | would recommend the establishment of the Depot

dle and North lines. The South line runs dow Wild Cat Branch, crosses Walnut creek, near Hol-

"All auctions" (the applicant rejoined, argumentatively) "are more or less Peteru." leman's bridge, and runs up Rocky Branch to its head, passing in the rear of the Governor's and "What you do not mean to say that such auction Judge Cameron's residences, and thence in the houses as ---- and ---- and ---- patronized by our best merchants are Peter Funk's ?" vicinity of the Hillsboro' road to the end of this

"Well, they all do it more or less. Go in there division, six and a half miles West of Raleigh. any time, and you will see a few faces that are The middle line descends Poole's branch to the junction with Walnut creek, and after crossing always there. Some man buy at one auction and sell at another."

"Others put up goods, and if they are likely to along the slope of the ridge between Walnut and be sacrificed, bid them in and put them up at Crabtree, to its summit in the race field ; there it the next sale, and the next. until they can get follows nearly the course of the ridge, passes South of Mr. Atkinsea's through Raleigh by Hargett their price for them. It aint right, but we all have to do it, more or less !" street to its re-union with the South line at Judge

My acquaintance declined to let his store for any such purpose and thus the negotiation ended. The North line is identical with the middle line, until it reaches a point between the race field and I have mentioned this as a peg on which to Mr. Atkinton's, it then runs a little South of Mr. hang another caution to your readers to the wide Atkinson's and through Lane street by the Raleigh awake when they come within the syren cry of the N. Y. auctioneers "going, going gone!" There and Gaston Depot, back of the Female Seminary and connects with the middle and Southern line is a rich Jew in this city who has made his money near the Haywood road on the lands of Dr. Cook. by three dry goods auction shops which he keeps It appears from a comparison of these lines as "agoing" down town. It is his custom to sell two exhibited in the accompanying table, that the hours daily in each place, and his squad of sala-South line is 1875 feet shorter, and that the cost ried by-bidders go from one to the other in reguof graduation and construction is \$6.788 less than lar order

on the Middle line, and that in comparison with One of those miserable humbugs for credulous the Northern line, the length is 2175 feet and the people, mesmeric doctors, was held to bail yescost is \$55 029 in its favor. The maximum grade terday by coroner Gear, on the charge of producis the same on all these lines, the grade being ing the death of Mrs. Austin by mal-practice .--rather in favor of the Middle route ascending The deceased had been sick, and was induced to westward and about the same in both directions put herself under the care of the accused (Hays) as the Northern line. The curvature is also in fawho subsequently put her into what he called "a vor of the South line as compared with both of magnetic sleep," in which she died. At the Coroner's inquest, several chemists, who had attended A line was also run uniting the South and North the post mortem examination, testified to dislines through Harrington street, which increased covering a large quantity of morphine in the stomthe distance over the South line 2750 feet and the | ach.

> A terrible mistake was made verterday by druggist at the corner of Wooster and Fourth Streets who is putting up a prescription for a sick child, put two grains, of Dovers powders into a dose instead of half a grain, which produced death.

> In the Court of Sessions a Miliner, named Ann Meahan, was on trial for so maltreating an apprentice girl named Ann McEowan, as to produce death. The testimony disclosed a most detest. able system of persevering brutality towards the poor child who died in the Hospital the same day that she was carried thither:

The war botween Webb and Willis, in which the latter is charged with the greatest crime of which man cap be guilty short of murder, is narrowing down to a point not properly, perhaps, interesting to the public, but which circumstances have made so. Mr. Willis certainly owes it to himself to give a better and more explicit explanation of the charge of seduction.

Two More Vexatious Suits disposed of Boaron, May 20 .- The cases in the Suprem Court to-day against Maight and Hughes, for the arrest of Win, Crafts and his wife, were discontinued, there being no endorser for the costs.

amount of revolutionary gossip. Girardin persists in his assertion that Gen. Chaugarnier proposed to invade England, and now says that the general sent a written proposition to Ledru Rollin to that effect, and it is reported that the superannated preachers, &c. letter will be published. Gen. Changarnier does

not deny the change. The funds are very heavy. Petitions in favor of a division of the constitu-

tion and a prolongation of the President's power. are becoming general. PORTUGAL

The Queen having appoined the Duke of Saldanha President of the Council, the revolution is at an end. GERMANY.

Berlin advices to the 6th, state that the Frankfort Diet will be opened on the 12th of May, and

that the entry of Austria, with all her States inof discussion.

ITALY.

Great agitation prevails in the Roman States, and throughout the whole of Italy. The movement is expected to commence at Genoa. The Marquis of Dareigio, President of the Council, has left Turin, for Genoa, in order to calm the democrats, if possible. Pledmont and England States.

SPAIN.

We learn from Madrid that the government, on the 1st inst., despatched a courler to Lisbon, with new instructions for the Spanish minister, with reference to the success of Saldanha's insurrection. One of the Madrid papers announces that Count de Thomar has been accredited minister plenipotentiary and envoy extraordinary at the Spanish court.

From Madrid we learn that the Spanish govrament is actively negotiating with France for the adjustment of the line of boundary between the two countries; on the Pyreness, frontiers.-The account states the claims for fudemuity for the damages done to various nations in conse. quence of the war in Sicily, have been brought to a satisfactory arrangement by the mixed commission. It was the general opinion that the cabinet would obtain a large majority in the Provinces. It is rumored that the Queen is in a very delicate situation.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.

The steamer Hellesbont 'arrived at Plymouth on the 8th inst. She left the Cape on the 4th There had been some fighting, but not very scious. Some of the Cape mounted rifles are said to have gone over to the Rafirs.

Chelera at the West, Ohio River, Se. PITTEBURG, MAY 19.

Two deaths by cholors were reported last Tuesday. The victime were passengers from New Orleans. The river has five feet of water in the channel, and is still rising. Business continues very brisk for the season.

the preachers, and a number of restraints were imposed. Among other things they were restricted from diverting the surplus funds of the Book concern to any other purpose than the support of A great question will arise in this case as to

the effect of this restrictive rule. It grew out of the subject of slavery. The Methodist denomination at an early period took high ground on temperance and slavery. They excluded from membership any one who bought and sold human beings for the purpose of enslaving them; and these provisions were found to be so impracticable that they were rescinded at the next General Conference, and the matter was left to the legislation of the various States in which their members resided. About the year 1486 the agitation of abolition began very seriously to disturb the Methodist Church. The bishops and to the confederation, will form the first subject the conservative clergy endeavored to southe the agitation. But in 1844 the matter became critical and decisive, and a state of things then occurred which necessarily led to a separation of this church into two parts. A minister named Hard ing had been complained of as possessing slaves and the Baltimore Conference suspended him although it was impossible for him to manumit. The abolition spirit was up, however, and it was are against the commercial league of the Italian determined to attack him . Without frying him they passed a resolution that he should suspend his episcopal functions until he manumitted hisslaves. These things convinced the Southern members of the church that it was unprofitable for them to go on in connexion with the Northern brethren. They presented a document to the

it was persisted in the Methodist Society in the South would be extinct.

Sinteen Southern Conferences elected delerates to aConference of the MethodistChurchSouth, held at Louisville in 1815, and they resolved to organiza themselves into a church independent of the North They appointed commissioners to meet commissioners of the Church North, and arrange a plan of separation. But the Northern body had in the meantime been overtaken by constitutional scruples, and refused to recognise the action of the Louisville Conference, notwithstanding it had been held at their own suggestion. The Louisville Conference adopted the whole creed and discipline of the Methodist Church as it had existed in this country since 1784, and did not change a single doctrine. The Southern claimants to their share of the profits of the Book Concern are therefore just as orthodox as they over were, and just as much entitled to their proportion in the fund whch has been accumulated by the joint exertions of their fathers and husbands.

Mr. Lord then read the complaint. After which Mr. Johnson (a son of the Hon. Reverdy Johnson, we believe) read a portion of the answer, and Mr. E. L. Fancher concluded the reading of the same

LOST. YESTERDAY Between the office of Mr. Henry Nutt, hear the Railroad Depot, and the new building of Mr. P. K. Dickleson, front street, a roll of money containing about Seventy Five dollars, in 30 May 24. 3t.

THE WEEKLY MESSAGE

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\$1 per annum if paid strictly in advance, otherwise \$1,50. Payment made on the receipt of the General Conference of 1814; protesting against the action taken in the case of Bishop Andrews and the Rev. Mr. Harding, and declaring that if it was persisted in the Methodist. Society in the for every six collected

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