# General Hems.

# From the Charleston Mercury.

The Policy of the Administration. We copy from the New York Journal of Commerce an article consisting of some editcrial comments on a letter from Washington, which follows them. With the sensible editor of that paper, we heartily agree that the programme of foreign policy sketched by the writer of the letter, ought not to be true, and we

publish it for the purpose of expressing our strong conviction, that this, and a thousand other like statements, attributing to the Administration a purpose of bearding all the world by the assertion of a so called American poli cy, are in no degree trustworthy. We are convinced that the statesmen who compose at ed by the manumission of their slaves, and this time the Executive of the United States, are men of prudence and good counsel; that they neither desire wantouly to plunge into disputes with other nations, nor will incur the ridicule of all the world, and of all time, by asserting for the United States a Democratic right of primogentiture to inherit all the vacant, or obsolete, or incompetent sovereignties of North and South America.

To be an earnest and watchful friend of all the American Governments; to extend our commercial intercourse and to increase our political good understanding with them by all proper moans-this we heartily approve, and we have reason to believe will form a feature in the exterior policy of President Pierce's Administration. We hope so, for it will be a step in maintenance of the Monroe doctrine, at once sure, peaceful, and full of good results.

From the Journal of Commerce. The Monroe Doctrine-Policy of the

Administration. The annexed letter from our Washington

correspondent, ought not to be correct, and we in our government, to undertake to set itself up as the exclusive conservator of the Ameriattempt any sort of monopoly over the channels of communication across the Isthmus. If oceans are the high-way of uations, the chan-nels of communication between one ocean and another, are scarcely less so. If however any one nation has a superior claim over other nations in the construction and use of such means, of communication, one fundamental basis of that claim must be the greatness of the commerce of that nation. It will not be denied that in this respect the claim of Great Britain is fully equal to our own. Her naval power also gives her a distinguished claim to the joint. use, protection and control of those channels of communication which, from their position, would, in case of war, be necessarily at the

mercy of the strongest naval power, and therefore it was liberal in her, as well as honorable, to forego, by a solemn treaty, any advantages which she might be supposed on that ground to ruin of Jamaica, and other West India colonies; possess, and to enter into a joint arrangement it has lost our old American Colonies, and will with us for the mutual protection and enjoyment of whatever channel of communication might be opened by either party between the two oceans. Selfishness not unfrequently punishes itself. Hitherto the United States have commonly steered clear of that dangerous rock. but we are getting proud and giddy, and there is no knowing to what infatuation we may yet be left. An illustrious example of a liberal policy on our part, and of its happy fruits is seen in the free use of the California gold mines by all people and kindreds, from which by a contrary course, our government might have drawn a considerable revenue, but the general result would have been far less advantageous to the nation than it is at present .-Fortunately the Clayton Bulwer Treaty is in full force, and is likely to continue so. This renders the gasconading of politicians and newspapers as harmless as it is disgusting .-Such a Treaty, for such a purpose, between the two largest maritime powers in the world, is eminently appropriate and wise, and, will be mutually beneficial. Of course we do not know exactly what is the object of the Washington Union in making a show of opposition to it, especially at this late day, but on the supposition that the object is, to gain strength for the Administration and the Democratic party, we are decidedly of opinion that the attempt will ed out, father, father, I can see! He was then prove a failure.

sit which either of the two parties shall cause to be opened. This treaty must be annulled, in order to secure for the United States the exclusive control of any of these communications. But all joint protectorates of such communications are hereafter to be discountenanced by the United States. The United States are to act independently of all other nations in all matters relative to this Continent. Such is believed to be the policy adopted by General Pierce, and his administration.

# Condition of Jamaica.

The steamer Conway, from Chagres, arrived t Savannah on Saturday evening last, bringing Jamaica mails to the 24th ult. From the papers it appears there is much discontent among the planters. They were at first ruinthey are now taxed beyond their means to suoport the agents of the Government by which they have been deprived of the labor necessary to make their estates productive. The freed negro population is fast relapsing into barbarism, and becoming a burthen to their former masters. The removal of the wholesome restraints of the former system, by which the African race can alone be made useful to the community or themselves, has demoralized that

once valuable laboring class. A writer in the Kingston Colonial Standard says :

The old Jamaica negroes, whether Creoles or Guineas, are still the best of the present negro population, because they came into the world, or into that island, when there was a good example of order, industry and obedience before them, which they were compelled to follow, if not spontaneously induced to do so.-The numerous Guinea negroes imported since mistaken British philanthropy made the lowest grade of human nature-African savages and their descendants-free to be the judges of what is best for themselves and Jamaica, free to elect the honorable members to the honorahope it is not. It would be consummate folly ble House of Assembly, have had no good example to follow; they have been subjected to no useful restraints-they have, on the contracan Continent. Equally foolish would it be to ry, been taught to believe, or at least to maintain, they have no Massa but God Almighty taught to extort high wages for unprofitable work, to wander about from one estate to another, and to follow the natural propensities of savages to steal rather than work to earn an honest livelihood. They have not sense to see it is the interest of all to endeavor to let sugar estates go on and prosper; nor are those who exhort them not to lift a hoe under half a dollar entitled to more honesty, though they should have more sense. Of all John Bull's blunders, none are worse than the absurd fallacy, that what is good for the goose in England must be good for the gander in Jamaica, or, in other words, that laws, manners, customs and reli gion, good in England at one period of the word, must be applicable to all races, in all portions of the globe, at one and the same time. This has been a sad blunder-it has been the probably lead to the loss of the remainder .-Carolinian.

### Restoration of Sight.

The Baltimore papers of last week are making considerable ado about the miraculous performances of a Dr. Brainerd, of New York, in the cure of defective sight. He lectured to a large auditory on Monday evening, and at the close of or had weak eyes, to come on the platform, and he would do all that he professed. Quite a num-

gentlemen, that they will not electioneer in any ber of ladies and gentlemen went forward, and shape or form ; the practice which has been in the short space of three minutes each declared and is now so common, could be easily broken up. It is with the candidates and not the peotheir eyes had been improved. and good thinker, one may obtain sufficient knowledge The Argus mentions the following instance of The former are to blame and not the lat the relief afforded : ter. We speak boldly on this subject, because "This morning we visited the doctor's room, we are not connected with any crusade against at the Institute, and while there saw his simple those who may use spirits, but we are not disapplication made to a lad aged about 11 years, posed to see the abuse fixed upon the people and son of Mr. Nicholas Richeir, No. 223 S. when candidates enter the lists intending to Charles street, who had been blind in the right demoralise by offering liquor as an equivalent eve for six years. After the cup had been applifor a vote .- Winnsboro Register. ed for the space of one minute, it was removed. CANDIDATES WANTED .- We are authorized when the left eye was closed, and the little felto say by some of the citizens of our District, low was requested to walk across the room. He that a few more candidates are wanted for the immediately complied with the request, and cri-Offices of Ordinary and Sheriff-the present number being too small to meet the demand, handed several articles, all of which he named as will be seen by reference to our advertisirg correctly, and described several persons who were standing in the room. The joy of the fa columns. Even some of the geutlemen wto are already in the field for these offices desire ther and son can be better imagined than deothers to enter the lists, upon the ground that seribed. 'the more the merrier.' "The application was also made to Mr. C. R. Now, we-standing in the position of a "seatinel on the watch tower"-in order to gratify to supply the vacancy caused by the resignation of all the parties in interest, do call upon those, all who love old Abbeville, and are disposed to make sacrifices for good, to come forward, at once, and proclaim the fact that you are willing to serve her in an official capacity. Don't be backward, any of ye; for we do take the responsibility upon our own shoulders to say, him in the same place and the same thing-as glad to that it is the best opening for enterprising young men, with small families, to lay the Disrict under obligation to them, that has presented itself in many a day! As a certain The Clipper also mentions several cases of de preacher sometimes says, "this is not all."-During the months of July and August, you will have so much fun in riding through a District forty miles in length-meeting your A SPENDID FLORAL EXPERIMENT.-J. Fisk friends, shaking hands, and passing the many delightful compliments of the season. The Sabbath, however, will be a day of rest from toil, for there will very apt to be "preaching in the neighborhood ;" and you can resign yourself entirely to devotion-not thinking for one moment of the number of votes that you will get in the congregation. Following upon the heels of the Sabbath comes Monday; and oh, the delights of return-ing to labor! You have nothing to do, gentlemen, but to make yourselves generally agreeonly successfully flowered in England in 1849. able: if cotton is to be picked, why, you can after repeated failures to introduce it. pick it-been raised to it all your life. If In this country the plant first flowered a calves are to be kept off, just into your hand -it was a favorite pastime of your youth, and revives the reminiscences of sweet childhood ! Gentlemen, we disclaim all disrespect-yet we say, go it ! der in all its magnificence. In conclusion, we do say that this "bush Mr. Allen's Grapery is one of the notabili whacking" is a disgrace to any intelligent people, and we do hope that the citizens of Abbe ville will rise up, and put their veto upon it. WAR ON THE GAMBLERS,-It appears that the amblers have become so odious to the people of columbus, Ohio, that a public meeting has been held, at which it was resolved that gambling, stages, from the incipient blossom to the ma- as a business, should be suppressed ; that every good citizen should lend his aid to effect it: that the gamblers should be indicted, and that Bryce, Wm. Wallace, W. F. DeSaussure, James Boatany property owner who knowingly permits gambling on his premises should be prosecuted .--A committee of thirty was appointed, pledged

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CONVENTION OF S. -Yesterday a large and respectable body of Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church, assembled at 10 o'clock in St. Michael's Church. The occasion was one of uncommon interest, as a Bishop of that influential body is about to be elected.

Morning Prayer with the Litany was said by the Rev. P. J. Shand, Rector of Trinity Church. Columbia, and an appropriate and eloquent sermon delivered by a venerable Divine, the Rev. Henry Elwell. The preacher reviewed some of the most prominent points of difference of opinion among his brethren, and exhorted them to unity and peace.

The Communion was then administered to a ery large body of devout participants, by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Boone, Missionary Bishop to China, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Hanckel and the Rev. Messrs. Keith, Trapier and Barnwell.

The roll was called, and fifty-eight clergymen found present, and representatives from twenty r thirty parishes.

Several questions came up as to disputed votes. and were all settled harmoniously. The former Secretary, the Rev. C. Wallace, and his assistant the Rev. E. A. Gagner, were unanimously reelected.

A Committee was appointed to devise a plan for the support of the Bishop, so as to free him from all parochial labors, and one o'clock to day appointed for the election of a Bishop. The onvention adjourned about five o'clock, to meet at ten this morning .- Charleston Mercury of Thursday.

The Convention met on Friday morning at 10 o'clock, and opened with the usual services The report of the Finance Committee wa. read by the Chairman, and after some remarks by several of the members on the propriety of adopting it, it was moved by Edward McCrady, esq., and carried, that it be printed for the use of the Convention.

The report of the Committee on unfinished business wus read by the Chairman, the Rev. Mr. Woodward, of St. Lukes, and on motion was adopted.

There seemed to be some misunderstanding among the members relative to the hour of resuming the balloting for Bishop-some contending that it should be taken up at once. while others that as it was reported in the morning papers to take place at 1 o'clock, some of the members might wait for that hour. After some debate, it was put to vote, and capried that the roll be called a second time, in order o ascertain how many were absent, and the alloting be immediately commenced.

The Convention then proceeded to the ball oting, and on the 12th ballot, the following was the result: Clerical vote-Davis 40, scattering 14. Lay vote-Davis 33, scattering 9. The Rev. Thomas F. Davis, of Camden, having received a majority of the votes of both houses of Delegates, was declared Bishop elect of the Diocese of South Carolina. The Convention then adjourned.

Candidates Wanted. The Abbeville Banner under the caption of Candidates Wanted, deals a few home thrusts in the unnexed article, among that unfortunate class of persons known as candidates.

We agree with the Banner that a veto should be put upon the "bushwhacking" system. It s unpleasant for candidates to ride all over the district, attend every Muster and Barbacue and admirable Quarterly. Its hitherto high position, and pay for the liquor in order to secure their elec- the importance of a standard Periodical in the South tion. The practice ought to be broken up, for of this character, it seems to us ought to insure it a the lecture, the Argus says he gave a general it is substantially buying votes, say what you invitation to those who were blind, near-sighted, may about it.

If candidates would pledge themselves, as

# The Camden Weekly Journal. Tuesday, May 10, 1853.

THO. J. WARREN, Editor.

Fire. We learn that a stable belonging to Capt. B. McCov. miles east of this place, was destroyed by fire on Saturday morning last. The fire was discovered about 2 o'clock, and is supposed to have been communicated by a spark from a light or pipe, dropped by some one who had, during the night, taken a horse to ride, which was fastened up in the stable, and which was found in the road near by at the time of the fire.

# save an adjoining stable, fell from a ladder and was severely hurt.

#### Rev. Thomas F. Davis.

We learn by a Telegraphic despatch, received on Saturday last, that our esteemed fellow-citizen Rev. THOMAS F. DAVIS, Pastor of Grace Church, was elected on Friday last Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of South Carolina. Whilst we are gratified at this distinguished mark of respect conferred upon one whose personal worth and ministerial abilities so eminently qualify him for the position, we cannot but regret, in common with a large number of our citizens, that the community will be deprived of his valuable services.

# Harmony Female College.

We learn that the Bradford Institute and property was sold on the 2d inst., and purchased by a gentleman, as the endowment of a new literary enterprise under the above title which will be organized on the 1st June, under the Rev. Prof. MORGAN, President.

# Dr. Bachman's Defence of Luther.

We call attention to the advertisement of the Pubisher Mr. Paxton, who has issued in book form a Defence of Luther, and the Reformation by Rev. Dr. Bachman, against the charges of Dr. John Bellinger and others. The reputation of Dr. Bachman for learning and ability, ought to ensure the book an extensive sale and circulation.

# Mossrs. Browning & Leman.

We invite the attention of purchasers to the Adverisement of Messrs. B. & L. to be found in our paper to-day. We are told that this is the most extensive and splendid establishment in the Union, unsurpassed even in the great "Empire City" of New York.

#### Baltimore Advertisement.

Purchasers visiting Baltimore are invited to give Messrs. MCKENZIE & SONS a call, where no doubt a complete and general assortment of all goods in the Saddler's and Coach Maker's line may be found, on as accommodating terms as they can be obtained elsewhere. We ask, therefore, in their behalf, at least ance and Temperance Societies, which at our earliest a showing. 1000 1.1.1.1.1

#### Southern Quarterly Review.

The second number of this able periodical for this year, has been received. The following comprises the table of contents :- Oriental Studies; Calhoun on Government; American Literature and Charleston Society; Emancipation in the British West India Islands: State and Federal Bills of Credit; American Author-

ship-Hawthorne; Critical Notices. We hope the Publishers, Messrs, WALKER'& BURKE, may be amply remunerated for the publication of this large and increasing patronage. The advantage of subscribing to the Review in a very important particular is this, that in their Review of new books or critical notices, a person may form a pretty correct opinion of any work which they may desire to read; and by reading a critical notice from the pen of a clear head

The Aztecs Were exhibited in this place on Thursday evening nd Friday of last week. A large number of our peo-Founders of the Ruined Temples of Iximaya, in Central America, we do not pretend to say-not knowing, it s hardly safe to yenture an opinion. Of this, howthey are among the wonders of the age.

In the International Magazine for March, 1852, we find a notice of these remarkable little people, in which reference is made to the book of their history giving We regret to add that Capt. McCoy, in his efforts to an account of their discovery by three adventurous travellers, and that one of them succeeded in bringing to New York two specimens of its (Central America) diminutive and peculiar inhabitants.

Of the credibility, says the International, of this ac count we express no opinion, but the "Aztec Children" have the phrenological and general appearance of the ancient Mexican sculptures, and may well be regarded for their probable origin, their physical structure, or their mere appearance, as among the "most wonderful specimens of humanity." Mr. Greeley gives an ac- to pay a handsome interest. - Southern Stan. count of his visit to the Aztecs, in which he says: " did not expect to find ogres nor any thing hideous, but, among all similar exhibitions, remembering with pleasure only Tom Thumb, I could not hope to find gratification in the sight of the two dwarf Indians .-But I was disappointed. These children are simply | Washington, left most of their presents at Fort; abrigements or pocket editions of humanity-bright eved, delicate-featured, olive-complexioned little elves, with dark, straight, glossy hair, well-proportioned heads and animated pleasing countenances \* \* \* That they are human beings, though of a low grade morally and intellectually, as well as diminutive physically. there can be no doubt; and they are not freaks of nature, but specimens of a dwindled, minnikin race, who almost realize in bodily form our ideas of the 'bronnies, 'bogles,' and other fanciful creations of a more superstitious age. \* \* \* The story that they were procured from an unknown, scarcely approachable aboriginal city of Central America, called Iximaya, situated high among the mountains and rarely visited by civilized man, may be true or false; but that they are natives of that part of the world, I cannot doubt."

#### Our Exchanges.

LEXINGTON TELEGRAPH .- We have received th first number of a neatly printed and well filled sheet bearing the above title, published and edited by Mr. W. J. RANDOLPH, at Lexington C. H., S. C. Price one dollar per annum. We wish our new brother success in his enterprise, which requires a great deal of energy and as much patience as we mortals commonly can command.

BLACKWOOD'S MAGAZINE for April has been received The first and leading article is a treatise on Temperconvenience we shall give a careful perusal.

#### The People's Bank, Charleston.

The following gentlemen have been elected Directo of this Bank; C. L. Burckmyer, T. N. Gadsden, B. D. Boyd, W. H. Houston, J. W. Seruggs, R. F. Reynolds, E. P. Starr, E. W. Edgerton, G. W. Brown; O. B. Heriot. L. T. Potter, J. F. Green.

G. A. Trenholm, Esq., has been elected, without opposition, to fill the existing vacancy from the Parishes of St. Philip and St. Michael, in the House of Repre sentatives of this State.

TENNESSEE .- Hon. Andrew Johnson has been nominated by the Democratic State Convention as their candidate for Governor; A. G. Henry, Esq., is the Whig candidate.

vious notice a large and enthusiastic meeting labor. If these laborers are wise and saving, was held in the Court House, Col. Dixon Barnes they may be free from all engagements at the was called to the Chair, and J. A. Hasseltine end of eight years; but it will be policy of the was requested to act as Secretary. The meeting masters to get them in debt, and thus keep do away with the disposition to obtain it, and thus be severally addressed by Col. T. W. Huey, J. Wilsaved a good deal of useless reading. This, of course, hams, Esq., G. M. Witherspoon, and P. T. Ham persuade them to renew their engagements. mond, on the benefits of the road to Lancaster sued daily from the press of this and other countries. and vicinity. There seemed to be a determination with all present that the road should be of them with very intelligent faces, very cleanbuilt.

BANK OF CHESTER .- Pursuant to notice in our columns, the books of subscription to the Bank of Chester, were opened at the Fireman's and Friday of last week. A large humber of our peo-ple visited these wonderful specimens of diminutive humanity. It is a little beyond our power to give a satisfactory explanation of these human phenomena. Whether they be in reality the descendants and speci-mens of the Sacerdotal Caste of the Ancient Aztee Chester amounted to two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and in York, Columbia, and other places, to the sum of fifty-two thousand ever, we are quite sure, that no one will deny but that more. Making in all the sum of three hundred and ten thousand dollars. The charter allows subscriptions to the amount of three hundred thousand dollars, and there is, therefore, an over subscription of ten thousand dollars. The books of subscription to the Bank of Charlotte, chartered by the fate session of the North Carolina Legislature, were recently, closed. The capital stock of that Bank was three hundred thousand, and the amonut subscribed six hundred thousand. These facts indicate as well a prosperous condition of affairs' in the country, as a confidence in country banks -a confidence which we think is fully justified by previous experience. Few banks, located in country towns of an importance, bave failed

> FLORIDA INDIANS. - The Florida Mirror says: We came through in the stage with Col. Winder of the U.S. Army commander of Fort Myer. He says the delegation which went on to Myer on their return, and have since declined receiving them, as they have failed to comply with their promises of emigration. He says also by a careful estimate made by John Jumper, one of the western delegation, that there are only 286 Indians remaining in Florids, and only 86 of these men and boys able to bear arms. We understand it is the determination of the general government to have the country. surveyed at least into Townships which will facilitate the search for the Indians whenever the attempt is made to hunt out. We incline to the opinion that if the people on the frontier can be patient, we who are less exposed might wait to take counsel on the best time and

the for the removal. "Gen. Childs, commanding at Tampa, in-formed the citizens at the Court House, that the Indians were again coming in at Fort Myer; and though unwilling to emigrate professed a desire to remain at peace. Assinwah, a subchief, was in at the post and said Billy had not been deposed."

#### The Coolie System.

Of the Coolie system as adopted in Cuba we have the following account before us in a letter from the editor of the New York Express, who is now on a visit to the Island :

"A new experiment in labor is making her under a contract to deliver six thousand Chinese laborers upon the Island of Caba. Twelve hundred men of the 6,000 have arrived last month, but by the contract one third of the number are to be women, though I believe it is in direct contravention of Chinese law, as of Chinese custom, for women to leave their own country. Nevertheless, the bargain has been made, and upon the following terms. The contractors, the principal of which is an English house here, have agreed to deliver these 6000 persons to the purchasers here for \$125 each. The employer contracts to pay them four dollars a month for eight years, and the Chinese are to be fed plentifully, but in a specified quantity, upon bread and meat. To distinguish them from the slaves of the Island, they are not to be beaten with a whip, nor to be compelled to work in the field. They will mostly be em-RAIL ROAD MEETING .- In pursuance to a pre- ployed in the sugar houses, and upon in door

Correspondence of the Journal of Commerce. WASHINGTON, April 28.

The Administration have adopted, in conformity with the principles of the Inaugural Address, a new line of policy towards foreign nations, in regard to the affairs of 'the American Continent." They have determined to enforce the Monroe doctrine with a vengeance. extending it far beyond what has been held to be the doctrine of Mr. Monroe, by his modern or cotemporary interpreters.

It may be believed, but it is not, of course certain, that the policy of the present administration will discountenance any treaty with any power, American or European, that may recognize the right of any European government to intorfere with, either in a friendly or hostile manner, the concerns of Central America or any other States of the "American Continent." Henceforth, therefore, there are to be no more meditations in Central American affairs, to which Great Britain shall be, with our consent, a party. There are to be no more partnerships between us and Great Britain in the use, or in the protection, of any inter oceanic communieation.

The Clayton Bulwer treaty is to be got rid of as soon as convenient, or, in fact possible. The joint mediation proposed by Great Britain for the purpose of reconciling the difficulties pending between the Central American States, is rejected. The Envoy of the United States to Central America is to be charged with the duty of dissuading those States from any foreign alliances, and of encouraging them to look to the United States alone for counsel aid, and protection. In fine, an American continental policy is now distinctly to be declared and enforced.

While Mr. Borland shall exhibit these views in Central America, Mr. Buchanan will enforce them at St. James's. This will be the boldest and most important step ever taken by this government in regard to its general international policy. While all alliances with foreign powers as

to this continent, are to be shunned, entanglements with them will be also necessarily avoided.

No treaty will be made that will recognize any co-operation with Great Britain, or any European power, in any inter-oceanic transit. But the Clayton Bulwer treaty dors provide that the Tnited States and Great Britain shall equally enjoy the privileges of the Tehuantepec, Nicaragua, or any other inter occanic tran-

Cunningham, who resides at 146 Baltimore st., and had been blind for 32 years. He, in the short space of three minutes, declared he could see distinctly, and recognised several gentlemen he had not seen for 32 years. These are facts, and any one doubting them can call on the above mentioned gentlemen and be satisfied. Dr. Brainerd's room was crowded this morning with those who were so unfortunate as to have bad eyes, not one of whom who applied the application but retired thanking him with a grateful heart "

fective sight being completely restored by the applications of Dr. B. This is a wonderful age.

Allen, Esq., of this city, whose success in the culture of the Grape, and many rare varieties of fruit, has been so distinguished, is now engaged in the development of a Floral wonder, which has reached such an advanced stage as to promise the most satisfactory result. This is no less an experiment than an attempt to raise the magnificent Victoria Regia, (Regina, or Regalis) the Queen of the water Lilies, which was discovered in South America in 1837, by Dr. Robert H. Schomburgh, and was

Philadelphia, and has been introduced only into one or two other places. Thanks to the enterprise, enthusiasm and skill of Mr. Allen, our florists may now hope to behold the won-

ties of our region. It comprises the choicest varieties, and is capable of yielding from 6 to 10,000 pounds of grapes per annum, and of producing fruit at all seasons. For fifty con-

secutive months ripe clusters have been hanging from the vines in some part of his exten sive range, and they may now be seen in all ture fruit. Peaches nearly ripe, cherries, oranges, lemons, figs, and other rare exotics, in various periods of advancement, also hang, in tempting luxuriance from well trained and skilfully tended branches, enclosed within this "cry tal palace." -- Salem Register. to carry out these resolves. of the work to either increase the desire for it, or to we apply to the host of new books which are being Caution.

We deem it our duty to our citizens, (says the Coumbia-Banner.) to caution them against subscribing heir names and money to papers purporting to be for the support of churches and charitable objects, which are made the means of raising the wind by charlatans and impostors. Several of these gentry have been lately trampoosing about our State, and many of our

benevolent citizens have been imposed upon.

#### Congressional Election.

It is now settled that Col. L. M. KEITT, of Orangeburg, is elected the Representative in the third district, Hon. W. F. COLCOCK.

# Janney's Hotel.

We have had occasion recently to visit Columbia at which time we gave ourselves the pleasure of stopping with our old friend JANNEY; and as usual found see us as if we had been the greatest man in the nation ; in fact, JANNEY makes no difference between men, as long as they behave themselves and are worthy. Cringing sycophancy to the rich, and neglect and indifference to the poor, forms no part of his policy. He is clever to all, and his servants are polite and attentive to the guests of Janney's Hotel. The arrivals at this Hotel every day are perfectly surprising, numbering perhaps, on an average, nearly as many as the Charleston Hotel.

Mr. WILLIAM HARRIS is still Mr. JANNEY'S assistant, and one of the cleverest specimens of humanity a man can meet with in a day's ride any where. At his post in the office, Mr. R. E. L. EWART may

be found-a polite and attentive gentleman-with whom we have only had a limited acquaintance.

#### Hon. D. Wallace.

We are placed again under obligations to General WALLACE for his kindness in forwarding us a copy of the Annual Report of the Superintendant of the Coast Survey. We regret that the late Congressional redistricting of the State has thrown us out of one member, and that, unfortunately, one of the best, ablest and most independent representatives in Congress-that man General DANIEL WALLACE.

#### Senator Douglas.

We acknowledge the reception of a copy of Senator DOUGLAS' Speeches, in reply to Senators CLAYTON and BUTLER, on the Central American Treaty.

# Commercial Bank of Columbia.

At the annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Jommercial Bank of Columbia, the following gentle men were elected Directors for the ensuing year John A. Crawford, John Bryce, Andrew Wallace, C. R. wright, J. S. Guignard, John I. Gracey, R Sondley, A. Crawford, H. Muller, and H. Lyons. At a meeting of the Directors, John A. Crawford was re-elected Fresident.

On motion of T. W. Huey, it was unanimously resolved that the stockholders meet at Lancaser C. H. on the first Monday in June next to elect a President and Directors of said Road -All the Stockholders and all friends to the road are particularly requested to meet on that day. On motion the meeting adjourned.

J. A. HASSELTINE, See'y. Lancaster C. H., May 2, 1853.

The President has appointed Colonel Al fred Cummings, formerly of Georgia, and now of Missouri, to be superintent of Indian affairs for the central superintendency.

Colonel Cummings is, says the Washington Union a gentleman of talent, of the most untiring energy, and great business capacity ; and these together with his long residence on the frontiers and his thorough knowledge of the country within the bounds of his superintendency, pre-eminently qualify him for the office which has been conferred upon him. We are confident that his appointment will give entire satisfaction to the people of the State interested in the Indian, affairs of that superintendencv.

FIRE .- On Saturday night last, between eight and nine o'clock, a fire broke out and consumed one of the out buildings on the premises of Mr. F. Hoyt, who resides about a mile from our Town. The evening was remarkably calm and the flames with considerable exertion, were prevented from reaching other buildings near the one burning.

It is supposed to be the result of accident. Black River Watchman of Friday.

DISTRESSING OCCURRENCE.- A difficulty occurred on Wednesday between two sons of Henry Siebels, Esq., of Lexington District .-The elder struck the younger with the but end of a whip, and knocked him down. The younger, had a small pocket knife in his hand, upon getting up, struck at the former, and inflicted wound which proved fatal in a few hours. Columbia Banner.

A singular life insurance case will, it is said, soon be reached in one of the Boston courts. A life insurance company is sued for a policy which they refused to pay. The person whose life was insured committed suicide, and the policy of all life companies contain a clause that they will not pay in case a man dies by his own hand, or while fighting a duel. In the present case the claimants allege that the suiide was committed while in a state of mental derangement; and it will be for the Court to decide whether, in case there is no other bar to payment, suicide under such circumstances comes within the exclusion of the company.

them longer than the prescribed period; or to

"I have seen many of these Chinese. They are mostly stalwart and able bodied men, many ly, and all of them dressed after the peculiar fashion of their country, For several evenings past, in the vicinity of the city, purchasers of these men have been selecting them from the droves and pens, cabins and enclosures in which they have been confined, since their arrival. Is not this a species of the slave trade, and a very bad one for Englishmen who boasts of so much humanity, to be engaged in ?" It is the consciousness of having perpetrated

a great blunder, and in attempting to repair that blunder, committing an evil as great as that which it was devised to remove, that the calculating English are restiff about. The London Times sees through this very plainly, and it rebukes, in the article we extract from it, the fanatical spirit with a vigor and power which are quite refreshing.

FAYETTEVILLE AND WESTERN PLANE ROAD .---

At an annual meeting of the Stockhedders of this Company at Fayetteville, on the 14th ultimo, the following proceedings were had in reference to the construction of a branch extending in the direction of Salisbury. Our citizens should regard this movement with interest. We have nothing to loose, but a great deal to gain by a connection with the Fayetteville and Western Road. The stock of this Company is paying about 8 per cent. per annum, after setting aside a large sum for repairs and extensions. Where can capitalists make a better investment? It is better than North Carolina bonds, and they are at the top of the pot in the Northern Market.

Dr. N. B. Hill of Randolph county presented. a subscription paper of \$17,600, by about 75 individuals of the Uwharie country in Randolph, proposing to build a Branch road from some point between the 68th and 73d mile post, to the Davidson county line. Dr. Hill accompanied the presentation with some practical remarks, in which he said that he and his neighbors asked no money, but only to be received into this Company, and thus be enabled to act under its char-

On motion, the subject was referred to a Committee, consisting of Messrs. W. Winslow, Geo. McNeill, Dr. N. B. Hill, Francis Fries and Jas. Kyle.

# FRIDAY, April 15.

W. Winslow, Esq., from the Committee on Branch Roads, submitted the following resolutions :

Resolved. That the construction of a Branch Road from the main stem from a point between the 68th and 73d miles, through the Uwharie county to the Davidson line, is desirable, and the President and Directors are hereby recommended to construct the same if practicable, and for that purpose to fill up the capital stock, applying to that branch the surplus of capital remaining after the completion of the main stem. and branches now in course of construction. Resolved, That the President and Directors