General Hems.

From the Charleston Mercury. mopsis of the President's Message. BALTIMORE, Dec. 6 .- The first annual Mesge of President Pierce was delivered to-day both Houses of Congress.

He commences by saying that the interest with which the people look to the assembling of ongress, and the fulfilment on that occasion of the duty imposed on their new President, are the best evidences of their capacity to realise the hopes of the founders of the government, as the sole reliance of this Confederacy is on the justice and intelligence of the masses.

The country has abundant cause for thankfulness to God for the many mercies showered upon the nation ; thus recognising the wisdom of absolute religious toleration, as no secure reliance can be placed upon any apparent progress unless sustained by national integrity, resting upon the truths of Revelation.

With regard to our diplomatic relations with Foreign Powers, the President says they have undergone no change since the adjournment of the last Congress, and that those now pending of a disturbing character will probably be ami-cably adjusted.

Respecting the Fishery question, he says that the United States never recognised the tained. British construction of the Treaty of 1818, and that with a view of extending the rights of American Fishermen, and regulating the trade between the United States and the British American Possessions, negotiations had been opened with a fair prospect of a favorable result.

In regard to the controversy upon the affairs in Central America, he says that Great Britain has proposed an amicable arrangement, and our Minister in London has consequently been instructed to enter into negotiations on the subject ; and he also represents it as desirable that the Boundary line between the United States and the British American po-sessions in the North-west be traced and marked.

The relations with France are friendly, and a treaty of Commerce and Navigation is progressing.

In regard to Cuba, he says, that he is happy to announce that since the last Congress no unauthorized expedition had been fitted out from the United States, and that should any such movements be undertaken, he will repress them by all the means in his power.

He refers to several annoying occurences as having taken place at Havana between our citizens and Spanish subjects, and says that promut redress cannot be obtained, because diplomatic intercourse is not allowed between the American Consul and Captain General. To avoid vexatious delay, a proposition had been made to provide for a direct appeal for redress from the American Consul to the Captain General, which the Spanish Government had hitherto refused to agree to; but that our Minister at Madrid had been instructed to renew the application. He also recommends a prompt adjustment with Spain of the claim for usses in the case of the schooner Amidab.

Concerning the case of Martin Koszta, he recapitulates facts as set forth in Mr. Marcy's letter, and says that the principles and policy therein maintained will be enforced wherever proper occasion may arise.

Our Commissioner in China, he says, has been instructed to avail himself of all occasions to extend our Commercial Relations with that and other Asiatic nations.

He mentions the arrival of Commodore Perry's Squadron on the Coast of Japan, but tion of an Aet entitled "An Act relating to the states that he has not ascertained the effect of survey of the coast of South Carolina, under e Expedition on the Emperor. He refers to the dispute with Mexico regarding the Mesilla Valley, and says that the form er Commissioner of the United States made an error in running a boundary, which was not hinding on the United States : but as Mexico takes a different view of the subject, our Minister to that Court had been instructed to negofiate upon that and other questions of magnitude now pending, but what progress has been made in the premises he does not know, but hopes that an arrangement mutually satisfac- during the present session of the Legislature; tory will be made in a spirit of liberality and also, friendshin Our Minister to Central America has received a friendly reception at San Juan de Nicaragua. Our Minister to Brazil has been instructed to induce that Government to abate its restrictive policy in regard to the navigation of the Amazon, as Paraguay and the Argentine Confederation have opened their navigable rivers. He says, however, that treaties on the subject will be submitted to the Sera'e. Measures have been taken, he says, to re move the difficulty now experienced in obtain ing gunno, and that it is believed that the Perovian Government have made an indemnity for the recent outrage at the Chincha Islands. He refers to our expansion in territorial extent, and the increased happiness and prosperity, of our country, and endorses the doctrine of State Rights, and the strict limitation of the powers of the Federal Government. The revenue of the country ; he states, to be increasing beyond either the interest or prospective wants of the country, it amounting for the year ending June 30th, 1833, to nearly \$59,000,000 from Customs, and \$2,500.000 from public lands, &c. The expenditures, exelusive of payments on account of the public deht. were \$13,250,000, leaving a balance of 32 250,000, including the balance for the year ending June 30th, 1853. He recommends that the surplus revenue be first applied to the discharge of the public debt; and secondly, that means be devised to effect a gradual reduction of the revenue. The first is already in the course of accomplishment, the public debt amounting to \$56,250,000

250,000. He recommends the extension of the Public Land System over Utah and New Mexico, and that some modifications be made

in favor of actual settlers, and that the preemption principle be extended. He maintains the power of Congress to con-

that grants of land for the construction of roads should be made under proper circumstances. He recommends the enlargement and modification of the Judicial system, as its present organization is confessedly inadequate to the uties to be performed.

Ile recommends the immediate organization of the Smithsonian Institute upon the terms prescribed in the Act of Congress.

He takes strong grounds against internal improvements being made by the Federal Government and asks, if the policy were once settled against appropriations by the General Government for local improvements for the benefit of Commerce, would not such localities, by means clearly legitimate and proper, raise the funds for themselves? He hopes the question

will be deliberately re-considered, and a plan matured to promote the permanent interests of the country. He thinks, also, where constructions are being made by the General Govern-ment, the right to the soil ought to be first ob-

Referring to the means for affording communication between the States along and on the opposite sides of the Rocky Mountains, he maintains that the Federal Government has the power to construct military roads, and protect harbors of refuge. He thinks, however, that it is of doubtful power, and more than doubtful propriety, for the General Government to

administer the affairs of a Railroad or Canal : and that therefore its connection with such works should be incidental rather than primary; and adds that no grandeur of enterprise. or inducements promising popular favor, shall lead him to disregard the light of the Consti tution.

He refers to the settlement by Compromise. of the exciting questions of 1850, as giving a new vigor to our institutions, and repose to the country.

He urges fidelity to the constitutional rights of the States, and avoidance of agitation, and winds up by a general review of the past and prospective advances of the country. He urges again a strict adherence to the

Constitution, and avoidance of the exercise of doubtful powers, as the only means of maintaining national cohesion.

He advises also the cultivation of the cardi nal virtues-public frugality and official integri ty-and that a wise economy be introduced into the administration of affairs.

He refers appropriately to the death of Vice President King, and concludes by soliciting the firm co-operation of the co-ordinate branches of the Government.

South Carolina Legislature.

MONDAY, Dec. 5. 1853. SENATE .- The Senate met. On motion, Mr. Mazyck was appointed to fill a vacancy in the Committee of Incorporations and Engrossed Acts. Pursuant to notice, and with leave of the

Senate, Mr. DeTreville introduced a bill to alter the Law in relation to the peremptory challenge of Jurors. A bill to incorporate the South Carolina Build

ing and Saving Association.

A bill to repeal the proviso to the first secority of the United States an A bill for the more perfect and prompt administration of Justice, and for other purposes. Mr. Brockman offered the following resolutions, which were ordered for consideration to-morrow: Resolved, That the joint resolution, passed at the last session of the Legislature, requiring the proprietors of newspapers to furnish with their accounts against the State, one or more of the printed copies charged for, be suspended Resolved, That the Clerk of the Senate do furnish a copy of said Resolution for publication in one or more of the newspapers of this State, for the information of all concerned; provided, however, that no newspaper shall charge for more than three insertions of the same.

states that the nett returns from the sales of appeals of justice and duty, to give to posterirublic lands up to June 30th, 1853, were \$53,- ty an appropriate memorial of her distinguished son, therefore,

Resolved, That the sum of \$30,000 be placed at the disposal of his Excellency the Governor, for the erection of a monument, in the town of Columbia, opposite to the Capitol, to the memcry of John C. Calhoun. And that the Goverstruct Roads within the Territories, and says nor issue a proclamation, calling upon the citizens of the several districts to assemble, for the purpose of further contributions.

They were read and made the order of the day for Thursday.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 7. IN THE SENATE .- The Senate met at 1, P. M. pursuant to adjourument.

The following Bi Is received the first reading and were referred to the appropriate Committees :

A Bill to repeal the 6th section of an Act to extend the charter of the Bank of S. Carolina, sent from the House.

A Bill to amend the charter of the Greenville and Columbia Railroad Company, intro. duced by Mr. Brockman.

A Bill to authorize the Laurens Railroad Company to extend their road from Laurens C. H. to the North Carolina line, in the direc tion of Asheville, introduced by Mr. Calhoun.

A Bill to authorize the South Carolina Railroad Company to build a certain bridge over the Wateree river, introduced by Mr. Adams. A Bill to authorize aid to the Blue Ridge

Railroad Company, (\$75,000,) introduced by Mr. Porter. Mr. Chesnut, from the Committee on Agri

culture and Internal Improvements, reported favorably on a Bill to authorize the union of the Cheraw and Anson (N. C.) Plankroad Company with the Anson Plankroad Company.

Also on a Bill to charter the Savannah Rivinst. We arrived at Newberry, and were relieved for er Valley Railroad Company, (with a slight a while from the noise and jam, unavoidably attendant upon Session times in Columbia-which, if it was amendment. not that one sees so many old friends, who revive

Also on a Bill to Charter the Branchville and Savannah Railroad Company, (with an pleasant recollections of by-gone days, would not be amendment.)

Also reported a Bill to incorporate the Columbia and Hamburg Railroad Company, as a substitute for the Bill referred to them.

Mr. Buchanan, from the Committee on Fi nance and Banks, reported favorably on a Bill to renew the Charter of the Bank of So. Ca., with an amendment to the effect, that the officers be not exempt from Militia duty, nor from serving on Juries.

Mr. Marshall, from the Committee on Military and Pensions, recommended that " a Bill to alter the Militia Laws of South Carolina," do not pass. Also reported by Bill on the petition of certain Beat companies on James Island to be included in the 18th Regiment.

The following Bills received a second read ing, and were agreed to, and ordered to the

House : A Bill to revive and extend the Charter of the Sumterville Academical Society.

A Bill to amend the Charter of the Fireman's Insurance Company of Charleston. A Bill to amend the Charter of the Bank of

the State of South Carclina. A Bill to extend the time for securing the

capital stock and for organizing the Western Bank of South Carolina, at Anderson. A Bill to re-charter the Bank of Camden. South Carolina

THURSDAY, Dec. 8, 1853. The House met at 12 M. The Clerk called the roll, the Speaker took the Chair, and the Journal of yesterday was read.

or quite as large as it ever had been. Every nook and corner in the hotels and boarding houses were crowd-The Senate sent to the House the following Bills, which had been read twice in that body? ed. Having a room reserved at our old friend JAN-A Bill to renew, and amend the Charter of NEY'S, we were soon domiciled, and were prepared to the State Bank. enjoy our visit as much as almost any body else.

A Bill to amend the Charter of the Bank of Here we met a very large number of friends and the State of South Carolina, (of the same char-acter as that which passed the House.) acquaintances, which it would be folly to attempt to A Bill to extend the time for securing the

The Camden Weekly Journal. Tuesday, December 13, 1853.

THO. J. WARREN, Editor.

The Weather.

On Wednesday evening last, the wind commenced blowing from the N. E. and continued to blow heavily through the night and the next day, accompanied by a heavy fall of rain. The only serious damage that we have heard of its doing is the breaking of the dam of the DeKalb Factory, which occurred on Friday We understand that the Company have gone to work to repair damages and will have the Factory again in operation in ten or twelve days.

Harmony Female College.

We invite the attention of our readers to the advertisement of this Institution, in another column From what we learn of his arrangements, it seems to us that Professor MORGAN has omitted nothing that can contribute to the comfort and improvement of the young ladies entrusted to his care.

President's Message.

This document is too long to copy entire in our paper. A good synopsis of it will be found in a preceding column.

Editorial Correspondence.

much of a pleasure ; but under the circumstances,

preaching by the late Pastor in charge of this circuit,

Rev. C. S. WALKER, who is stationed at Abbeville for

the ensuing year. Rev. JOHN R. PICKETT is the sta-

tioned preacher at Newberry for the present Confer

We could not but notice the quiet and order which

pervades Newberry on the Sabbath. No whistling

engines-no rumbling cars disturb the sacred quiet of

the day. And here is one of the best arguments in

favor of the cars not running on the Sabbath, which

plan we should like to see adopted by every Railroad

On some (one at least) of the grog-shops we saw this

notice : "my license is out, and I can get no more." Va-

the cars for Columbia, on which we met several friends

Esq., formerly of the Darlington Flag, and JNO. V

In Columbia, we found that the crowd, instead of

having grown beautifully less, was largely increased.

MOORE, Esq., of the Anderson Gazette.

our time agreeable.

ence year.

in the country.

icle for these matters.

"Storied urn nor animated bust I shall give this letter no particular locality-at Can back to its mansion call the fleeting breath, least in the beginning-for I have been confined to no Nor can honor's voice provoke the silent dust, Nor flattery soothe the dull cold car of death." one place for the past ten days. Leaving Charleston on Wednesday, the 30th ult., in the night express train, Yet, CALHOUN ought to have a monument. for Columbia, at half-past 4 o'clock, P. M. we arrived

We know that

On Thursday evening, we left Columbia, and arrived in Columbia at 5 o'clock, A. M., on the 1st inst. We n Charleston on Friday morning. There is no partichave given all of interest up to the time of leaving for ular matter of interest to report from this place, which Newberry, which we did on Saturday morning, 3d the city papers do not report at the time.

> A dreadful disaster, in the loss of the Revenue Cut ter Hamilton, occurred on Thursday night, an account of which appears in the papers of to-day.

the election to fill the vacancy. By the time this let-

ter reaches its destination, the matter will be settled,

no doubt, and the new Judge elected. We make no

particular prophecy, but would not be surprised if Mr.

Mr. Owens' resolution, proposing that \$30,000 for

after discussion, laid upon the table. Such is the in-

stability of man! When Mr. Calhoun first died. South

Carolina could not show enough regret at her bereave-

ment. This was all proper enough, and we have no

ault to find with the pomp and pageantry displayed

on that accasion—the endless procession—the towering car upon which lay the noble dead—the guard of honor,

whose faithful vigils kept watch over the immortal

sleeper-thousands of mourning spectarors who gave

a passing glance at the encased form of the deccased

statesman as it lay upon its temporary resting-place

in the City Hall-the exercises immediately preceding

his entombment, were appropriate to the occasion.

"Where through long drawn aisle and fretted vault,

The pealing anthem swelled the note of praise."

All was well-timed, and in keeping with the name o

the great Calhoun. But now, an almost nameless

tomb designates the spot where his slumbering dust

reposes. The stranger never looks there for his tomb

"The paths of glory lead but to the grave."

The eulogy by the gifted Divine,

This illustrates too plainly, that

on-the towering

Bellinger was elected.

- Cotton is selling at from 8 to 101. The weather is now clear and cold.
- Charleston, Dec 10, 1853.

we can very well afford to put up with inconveniences, The President of the Washington and New Or when so many pleasant things are occurring to make eans Telegraph Company has offered a reward of \$300 At Newberry, we passed our time pleasantly and for the discovery and proof to conviction of the person comfortably at the MAGNOLIA HOUSE, where we met or persons who cut down some of the wires and some years and ten, having passed through life with of the posts between Camden and Columbia, on Tues- the reputation of an honest and an upright friends and acquaintances. On Sunday morning and evening we attended the Methodist Church, and heard day of last week.

Elections by the Legislature.

Col. JOHN D. ASHMORE, of Sumter, Comptroller General

H. McIVER, Solicitor of the Eastern Circuit, in place of Hon, W. J. Hanna, deceased,

ROBERT MUNRO, of Charleston, on the second bai ot, was elected Judge, in place of Judge FROST .-On the first ballot Munro received 73 votes; C. P. Sullivan 42; E. Bellinger 32; B. Perry 2; S. Fair 1; on the second, Munro 89; Sullivan 53; Perry 1; Memminger 1.

South Carolina Press Association. COLUMBIA, December 7, 1853.

rious thoughts were occasioned by this notice, for This Association commenced its second anwhich we refer to the Temperance Advocate, our chronual session this morning, in the Hall of the On Tuesday, 6th inst., we lett Newberry, and took Independent Fire Engine Company.

The Association was called to order by the among them our editorial brethren, J. H. NORWOOD, President, Dr. R. W. Gibbes, and R. A Mc-Knight was requested to act as Secretary in the absence of Secretary E. H. Britton.

> The following members were present: Dr. R. W. Gibbes, South Carolinian.

W. B. Johnston, R. M. Stokes, Laurensville Herald.

- R. A. McKnight, Unionville Journal.
- W. B. Carlisle. A. A. Gilbert, Black River Watchman.
- R. S. Bailey, Lancaster Ledger.

DEATH OF MRS. BEHETHLAND FOOTE BUT-LER.- On Friday evening, (the 2d inst.) at half past 7 o'clock, this aged matron and remarkable woman breathed her last at the residence

of her son, and only surviving child, the Hon. A. P. Butler. Mrs. Behethland Foote Butler Calhoun Monument, be subscribed by the State, was, was the relict of Gen. Wm. Butler of the Revolution. She had lived through the dark and perilous days of her country's history, had witnessed the career of that country's greatness in all its mutations, had come down to the fourth generation of American freemen full of those honors which ever cluster around the brow of fearless integrity, and fell asleep at last with a calmness and confidence characteristic only of one who has led a long life of probity and usefulness. She was born in Virginia, in the year 1761, but had lived from early youth in this section of South Carolina. She had nearly reached the advanced age of 79, when the decree went forth that the measure of her duties was full and the servant was called to her reward.

> We feel conscious of no exaggeration, when we say that Mrs. Butler was one of the most extraordinary women of her time. She was an unfailing friend of the poor, a firm monitor of the heedless, a devoted patriot and an humble believer in Christ. Her mind was active and discriminating, her judgment sound, her impulses noble, and her fortitude unbending; Thus constituted, she was at once the stern guardian of her household and a genuine orna: ment of society .- But we designed no eulogistic remarks at this time. The duty of portraying the strong and elevated character of our subject will be a pleasing and a useful one' to some other writer. And we trust it will be done in a manner which shall properly preserve for posterity so striking an exemplar.

Peace be with the ashes of the dead ! There has passed away here one of the very last of the women of the Revolution .- Edgefield Adv.

DEATH OF OUR POST MASTER .- We regret to announce the death of Daniel White, Esq., who was recently appointed Post Master for our town. Mr White was an old and respectable citizen, well known to many of our readers. He had well nigh attained his three score man - Ib

LOSS OF THE U. S. REVENUE CUTTER HAMIL ron .- The steamer Calhoun, Capt. Barden which arrived here yesterday afternoon, pieked up at sea near North Edisto, Jas. Hugan, seaman, who was attached to the Hamilton. From Mr. Hagan we learn that the Hamilton in tr?ing to go to sea on Wednesday afternoon last got ashore in the breakers near the bar, but was finally got off after dark, but owing to the difficulty of getting under way near the shoals, it was deemed prudent to anchor until morning. On Thursday morning early it commenced blowing a gale from the North East, which rendered it impossible to get the vessel under way in the position she then lay. All her anchors and chains were brought into service, but the gale continuing to increase, she parted one chain af ter another and was driven ashore on Folly Breakers on Thursday night. The masts soon going by the broad, and the vessel leaking ve ry badly, it was thought best to abandon her, that being the only chance left of saving the lives of all on board. Capt. Rudolph, Thos. Stone, Quarter master, (of Boston) two boys, and four men, took to one life boat, which soon after being among the breakers, was turned over, and every soul in her was drowned but our informant, Jas. Hagan, and he was only saved by being lashed to the boat, none of the others having secured themselves in that

He recommends, secondly, that the plan co t.ined in the report of the Secretary of the Treasury for the reduction of duties on certain articles, and adding to the free list articles entering into manufactures, and not largely produced in the country, be adopted.

He suggests, also, improvements in the mode of settling accounts, and collection of arrears due from public officers.

He recommends the augmentation of the Army and Navy appropriations.

The Post Office expenses for the year were nearly \$8,000.000, the receipts nearly \$6.000. 000, leaving a deficiency of about \$2,000 000 mincipally caused by the enormous rates paid Railroad Companies for transportation. He calls attention, in this connection, to the income and expenditures from the transmission by mail steamers, and requests prantit action thereon.

He alludes to the numerous frauds perpetrated on the Pension Bureau, and hopes that the defects in the law will be speedily remedied.

Mr. Barker presented the counter memorial of sundry residents in the neighborhood of

the Santee Canal, against the memorial of the Santee Canal Company, praying the surrender of their charter, which was referred to the Com mittee on Incorporations and Engrossed Acts. IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES .- The House met at half-past 9 o'clock. A number of petitions were presented, after which a recess was taken to attend the College Commencement.

The following Bills were received from the Senate:

A bill to reduce the salary of the Adjutant and Inspector General.

A bill to yest the right and title of the State n and to a certain lot of land in the town of Darington in Joseph Frank.

A bill to confer on Isaac and Marx Iseman certain rights and privileges in relation to a piece of land by them purchased.

A bill to alter the law in relation to the duties of Ordinaries in taking administration bonds.

Mr. Mitchel, from the Committee of the Judiciary, made reports on so much of the Governor's Message, No. 1, as relates to the boundary between South Carolina and Georgia.

Mr. Middleton, from the Committee of Ways and Means, to whom had been referred a bill to subscribe, on the part of the State, to the Blue Ridge Railroad in South Carolina, made a report, and reported a bill to authorize aid to the Blue Ridge Railroad in South Carolina; which was read the first time, and with the report, was ordered for a second reading to-

morrow. Mr. Owens offered the following preamble and resolutions :

Whereas, it is a custom sanctioned in its observance by the practice of ages, and commanded by the wisest considerations of State and individual gratitude, to perpetuate in the most enduring manner, the memory of distinguished patriots and great public benefactors; and whereas the State of South Carolina, while rejoicing as the mother of many sons whose

nemories she will not willingly let die, was pre-eminently honored by the illustrious services and self denying patriotism of John C. Laurens District, was killed by the accidental On Thursday, in the Legislature, Judge Prosts for the genius of Gen. Pezuella, who is expec-He commends the present Land System, and gard for her own fame, but by the strongest John Ligon.

capital stock, and for organizing the Western Bank of South Carolina at Anderson. A Bill to revive and extend the Charter of

the Sumterville Academical Society. Message No. 3, of the Governor was received, and read by Col. Beaufort T. Watts, his private Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Read, the several portions of the Message were appropriately referred, and a Message was sent to the Senate proposing to go into a ballot for Law Judge on Saturday next at half past 1 o'clock, in which message the Senate concurred.

Mr. Sloan from the Committee on privileges and Elections, made an exceedingly able and lucid report on the protest to the returns of the mannagers of election in Edgefiild, which had declared Mr. John C. Allen elected as a member of the House. It seems that several boxes had not been opened on the day of election, that certain others had been rejected because they had been carried to the Court House to be counted by others than managers, that some had been closed before the hours fixed by law, and that the election had been much hurried. Mr. Sloan, acting for his Committee, sustained the validity of Mr. Allen's election by a report which would have done credit to any one, and which, from its learning and strong legal positions, would have raised the reputation even of a gentleman of the legal profession. The report was agreed to by the House.

The Senate sent messages proposing to the House to go into a ballot for Commissioner of Equity in Chester, and of Adjutant and In- as an able Lawyer and elegant writer. His reputation spector General, on Saturday next, and for Trustees of the South Carolina College on LOGAN, of the Sumter Banner we had the pleasure of Thursday next. They were ordered to lie on the table.

The Senate also sent a message to the House informing them that Messrs. Ingram, Mazyck, Evans, Dudley and McAliley had been appointed a Committee on the part of the Senate to nominate a President and Directors of the Bank of the State, whereupon the Speaker appointed Messrs. Tillinghast, Wagner, Charles Howell, Leitner and Sullivan on the part of the House.

The House discussed the special order, which was Mr. Owen's resolution proposing \$30,000 for a Calhoun Monument, and after some hours discussion, the whole matter was laid on the table by a vote of 60 to 49.

A letter was received from T. C. Perrin, Esq. President of the Greenville and Columbia Rail Road, informing the House that the road was nal. finished to Greenville, and invited them to ride to that place on Tuesday next.

Mr. B. F. Perry seconded the letter with a hospitable invitation to his home, but after some hesitation, the House felt compelled to delcine.

ensville Herald,) William Z. Carter, aged ten years, son of Capt. H. N. Carter, of Cross Hill. Laurens District, was killed by the accidental

enumerate.

Tuesday evening we heard Col. J. S. PRESTON, at the College Chapel, before the Literary Societies of the College, deliver a beautiful and elegant address .-We make no effort to eulogize the address. It was a sublime production, and delivered magnificently, yes, magnificently. On Wednesday, the Governor's parade came off. It was not grand, gloomy, and peculiar, but grand, gay, and attractive-quite so, at least we opine, to those mounted in boots and spurs, but to the unterrified, undismayed citizen-soldiery, it was not what it was cracked up to be. We make no further comnents upon the military system of South Carolina.-Gov. MANNING is, perhaps, one of the most popular Governors South Carolina has ever had, and deservedso, for he is an estimable gentleman.

The Press Association met, according to notice, and proceeded to business, which has been reported at length by the Carolinian. The meeting was a very leasant re-union of the members of the Press generally throughout the State, and we have never enjoyed a meeting more. Taking them as a body of men, the Editors of South Carolina are as clever a set as can be found any where. In a late number of the Western Democrat, published at Charlotte, N. C., we find the following complimentary notice of the South Carolina Press: "There is a courtesy and forbearance on the part of the corps editorial in South Carolina, that we in vain look for in any other State. They regard each other as gentlemen, and act accordingly." The elec-

tion for officers of the ensuing year is a good enc. Among the new acquaintances we have had the pleasure to make in the editorial department, are Col. RICHARD YEADEN, one of the pioneer editors of this State, and a gentleman of great personal worth, as well

is already high enough, without our feeble praise ; Mr. meeting last week; Major MEETZE, of the Lexington Telegraph, Col. WHEATON, of the Greenville Mountaincer-Mr. Ross, of the Keowee Courier, Mr. Posey, of the In dependent Press, Mr. S. W. MELTON, of the Chester Standard, and Mr. MOORE, of the Anderson Gazette, are all new and vigorous recruits in the corps editorial Last year we formed a very pleasant acquaintance with Col. T. C. EVANS, of Darlington, who is now the editor of the Flag. L. W. SPRATT, Esq., of the Charleston Standard, we have also met, and are glad

to know him. Our friend CASTON has been elected a member of the Association. The election of Wm. B. Johnston, Esq. of the Caro linian, as the next annual orator, will give much satis-

faction. As an Editor, Mr. Johnston has an enviable reputation. It will be recollected that Mr. Johnston's debut as editor, was in the office of the Camden Jour-

In the evening, I had the pleasure and honor of ad dressing my brethren of the Press, and the public, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, as their first anniversary speaker ; after which, the Association adjourned to the mansion of their late esteemed and accomplished President, Dr. R W. Gibbes, where there was a feast of good things and a flow of soul --On Thursday last, (we learn from the Lau Our new President, Mr. Yeadon, headed the table, and with his usual aptness on such occasions, added great-

ly to the pleasure of the meeting. sage, No. 3. Saturday, the 10th inst., was fixed for ed to arrive the first of next week.

T. J. Eccles, ex-Editor Yorkville Remedy. T. J. Warren, Camdes Journal.

The proceedings of last meeting were read nd adopted.

The following gentlemen were duly elected members of this Association, viz :

- E. Heriot, Charleston Evening News.
- R. Yeadon, Charleston Courier.
- J. V. Moore, Anderson Gazette. J. W. Ross, Keowee Courier.
- Thos. C. Evans, Darlington Flag.
- B. L. Posey, Independent Press.
- H. A. Meetze, Lexington Telegraph.
- A. Simkins, Edgefield Advertiser

W. C. Morague, ex Editor Edgefield Adve

- W. T. Caston, ex-Editor Camden Journal.
- A. G. Summer, Southern Agriculturist.
- J. F. Walker, Yorkville Remedy.
- H. N. Wheaton, Greenville Mountaineer. S. W. Melton, Palmetto Standard.

Mr. Stokes moved that a committee of five be appointed to nominate officers of this Asso ciation for the ensuing year; which was agreed to, and the following gentlemen appointed said committee :

Messrs. Stokes, Ross, Spratt, Evans and hnston.

Mr. Carlisle moved that the first section of Art, II of the Constitution be so altered as to read, that applicants for membership shall be proposed and recommended by at least one member of the Association, and balloted for immediately, and be declared duly elected, if not more than three dissentients be found.-Agreed to.

The committee appointed to nominate officers made their report, recommending the following :

For President, R. Yeadon. For first Vice President, R. A. McKnight. For second Vice President, R.S. Bailey. For Secretary and Treasury, A. T. Cavis. The report was received and adopted, and n election took place, which resulted in the choice of the nominees.

On motion of Mr. Meetze, the Association balloted for Orator, and W. B. Johnston was elected to deliver the next Annual Oration. A committee was appointed to inform the officers of their election.

On motion, the thanks of the Association were tendered to the Independent Fire Engine Company for the use of their Hall.

The Association then adjourned, to 9 o'clock this evening. R. W. GIBBES, President. R. A. MCKNIGHT, Secretary pro tem. South Carolinian.

AFRICAN EMANCIPADOS IN CUBA.- A Havana correspondent of the New York Herald, writing under date of the 21st says ;

"Gen. Canedo has received a royal order for Bryan, at an average of \$1,85 cts. per pair. the release of the emancipados-which is the opening of the British interest in Cuba. For On Thursday, in the Legislature, Judge Frost's re- the community, he has deferred its execution tage by consigning them to Mr. Bryan, who

The other life-boat had in her Camillus Saunders, 1st Lieutenant, E. C. Hine, 3d Lieutenant, (there being no 2d Lientenant attached,) and the remainder of the crew, which probably consisted of the carpenter and four men. No information has reached us of this boat.

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The California accounts say that there are some exceedingly stylish turnouts now to be seen in San Francisco. The horses are brought over the plains, and the carriages are imported rom New York, at an expense of four hundred dollars for freight alone. It costs three hundred dollars a month to keep a pair of horses in the Pacific metropolis. The hackney carriages are thirty in number; and the regular charge, five dollars an hour.

FAMINE IN CHINA .-- To the horrors of a civil war devastating China, have been added those of famme, which prevails in some provinces. The Imperial Pekin Gazette, a paper which in this case would rather conceal than exaggerate the truth, states that in the province of Shangtung the corpses literally.strew the fields.

From the Charleston Standard.

To the Cotton Plauters of the South,

MESSRS. EDITORS,-It is now a fixed fact that the Cotton crop, will be very short. Few sensible men will venture to put it down at more than 2,600,000 bales. In South Carolina it cannot possibly exceed two thirds, if it reaches that much. Although this has been the most unfavorable fall for gathering that I have met with in an experience of 18 years, yet the crop is now nearly out in the whole country. Such too is the case in Georgia and Alabama, and a large portion of Mississippi. What then is our duty? Simply to carry out the policy we are now pursuing, by holding on to our cotton -The merchants, admit, that we are at least pursuing a wise game. Let us keep it. Hold on then I say, hold on ! Do this, and by the 1st of May next, you will get 15 cents, or I am no prophet. By a steady persistence in this policy, we may laugh at the Eastern States.

A PLANTER.

SAVANNAH .-- The election on Monday resulted in the success of the entire Democratic ticket for Mayor and Alderman, by a majority two to one. In fact the Whig party seems to have nearly died out in Savannah, for which we should be sorry, if the long experience of Charleston had not shown that the world gets on pretty well without one.

TURKIES .- We learn that a large lot, some 700 Turkies, brought from Tennessee, were disposed of at auction yesterday, by Mr. J. M.

This is a new species of consignment, and we have no doubt that those of our friends throughthe benefit of the United States, and under the out the interior who may have poultry, of any impression that it will cause much trouble in kind, to dispose of, will find it to their advanwill give a good account of them. - Charleston Standar 1.