

able to storm it. It is said there are six thousand troops there, and that their officers are all English and French, and I suppose they are well supplied with ammunition and arms. There were two French vessels run the blockade a few days since with eleven hundred tons of powder, and five thousand stand of arms.

SCOTT has decided that Col. WIMCOOP, of Pennsylvania, out ranks BUTLER, and that their commission bear date from the time of mustering into the service.

The Newberry company arrived here three days ago. Some four or five of our men came on with them those who were left at Hamburg sick. Our company were just taking the mumps when I left—every man in the company have had them, except about ten. Lieut. ROBERTS, is able to be about again. We will be very much crowded on our way to Vera Cruz—five companies on a ship.

I did not see much of the country while at Tampico. The town is situated six miles from the mouth of the river at the junction of the Panuco and Tula river. Lieut. MORAGNE and myself hired a couple of mustangs and rode out one evening about three miles. The land is the richest I ever saw, but not an acre of it in cultivation as far as we went. The houses in town are neat and comfortable, and many of them finished off with taste. The streets are all paved with stone. The Grand Plaza is about 150 yards square, paved with stone, and in the centre the foundation of a splendid monument to Santa Anna, with a pole near a hundred feet high standing in the centre of it—the Star Spangled Banner waving triumphantly from the top of it; and every evening about dark it would almost bring tears from your eyes to hear the band—the best I ever heard—encircled round the standard playing some national air: for instance, "The Star Spangle Banner." The Georgia and Baltimore Regiments will be stationed at Tampico. The Louisianians have left here, and will join Gen. TAYLOR at Monterey. There was a Texan Ranger on the brig that brought us from Tampico—was in the battle of Monterey and says that the Baltimore Regiment did not behave so well—in fact he says they actually run—that they got into a coal-pit, and could not be got out of it—that Col. WATSON, seeing them behave so badly, threw his life away, determined not to survive the disgrace of his Regiment.

The New York Regiment is here, and I believe they are the finest Regiment of volunteers at this place—are splendidly uniformed, but not by any means well drilled. Our Regiment, I think, is the best drilled of any here; but their not being in uniform prevents them from making a respectable appearance. General SCOTT seems to be familiar with every nook and corner of Vera Cruz, and has the plan of attack marked out in all its minutia. He seems a little apprehensive that a peace will be negotiated before he has gained sufficient laurels. If we succeed well at Vera Cruz, you will perhaps hear of us on the march for the city of Mexico. Continue to write as often as heretofore and we will not complain. The most of the news we get from Abbeville, is through you.

Yours &c., adieu. M. H. W.

ISLE OF LLBOS, Feb. 26, 1847.

The troops on this Island are embarking preparatory to their advance to Vera Cruz. Five companies of our Regiment are now on board the ship Alhambra, and the remaining five will embark to-morrow on board the Oregon. In twelve hours we can reach the Island San Anton Lizardo, which is only a few miles south of Vera Cruz. It is now reduced to a certainty, that we are to have warm times about that same Vera Cruz. In less than two weeks that town and castle is to be ours, or we are to fall in the attempt which we make to gain it. We are to attack the city under Gen. SCOTT, and Gen. WORTH, is to lead the Regiment on the right. The Palmetto Regiment is to occupy the post on the left, and is to storm a battery which will bear upon us.

The fight will be opened by the Artillery, the Infantry sustaining them. The fight before Vera Cruz will be the most important of the whole campaign. You will hardly imagine what my feelings are. Here I am, in four or five days to act a part in a most bloody battle, and still I seldom think of what the consequences may be. I partake of the indifference around me—I long to go to join in the *mélée*, and to end the war. You have no idea what kind of place the camp is. It does seem to me one week as a soldier will take from a man every vestige of feeling, and will render him indifferently only to others but to himself.

I think I can say with safety, with the material we have here we will make the city of Vera Cruz a warm spot. As for our own company, I am sure they will all do their duty nobly. The battle however, will come off at an unfortunate time for us. Since our arrival here I think every man but about 12 have had the mumps, most of them severely; they are now just recovering, but never mind we will give a good account of ourselves to the Mexicans about that town.

The camp at night presents a scene I know not how to describe. You can see all kinds of fun, and hear all kinds of noises. We have not a dog in our Regiment, and yet you would imagine that half a dozen little fellows were barking around you. In one part of the camp is a group of jolly fellows—they are telling some good "ones." They are now laughing at a joke upon a Mississippi *hoosier* who was sentinel, and as the grand round approached, cried out,—"Wal, hallow stranger, whose there?"—answer—"Grand round"—reply—"Oh, the d—, I thought it was relief-guard, so I did." I cannot answer for the truth of the story.

In another part of the camp is a fellow setting by himself singing "Poor Mary Blanc." Off there is a splendid band playing the "Star Spangled Banner,"—and here is a group singing "Home, sweet home!" There files by the relief guard under the command of a Corporal—Flute, Fife, Violin, Clarinet, &c. &c., all may be heard at the same moment. I often sit before my tent at night for hours looking on the merry scenes before me.

Some I may say, many of the volunteers are tired of soldiering, and if they once get home, you will not get them into it again. Some men seemed to have volunteered without once dreaming of ever having a single hardship. I was struck with a remark which was made a few days ago, by a very clever fellow. He had been walking his post as sentinel for about two hours in the hot sun, the warmest day I ever felt. I overheard his soliloquy—"Wheuh! well, *pa triotism* has been my ruin sure,—Well if ever I get home again, I will never do another voluntary act; and as for crossing water, I will never even cross a mill pond again, darned if I do!" To have seen the fellow—his earnest manner—the hot sun, all taken together made a rich scene.

To-day I witnessed one of the most imposing scenes I have ever seen any where. It was the New York Regiment swearing to protect their flag. When the Regiment left New York, they were presented with two flags; one with the arms of New York, the other with the arms of the U. States. The Regiment was paraded and the colors escorted to the centre. The officers assembled around them in a group, and raised their hands and took a solemn oath, never to desert those flags. The scene was both solemn and imposing. The soldiers sanctioned the acts of their officers by their huzzas. The New York Regiment is a fine one—the officers are poor. Col. BURNETT's wife is now with him here and expects to accompany him throughout the war. She was out on the parade ground to-day. Her little daughter, about ten years old, is with her. There is a woman for you.

Amid all the gaiety and life of camp, we have often solemn visitations. Hardly a day has elapsed since our arrival here, but the muffled drum in some part of the Island, has not warned us that the soldier must die! even when not on the battle field. We have buried two from our Regiment, one yesterday from the Fairfield company, the other to-day from the Sumpter company. Poor fellows, their bones will rest in a lonely spot, but it little disturbs them now. The Mississippi Regiment left here a few days ago for Brazos; they have been very unfortunate. They have buried more than one hundred men since they left their homes. They were quite dejected. The night they were in port previous to sailing from here to Brazos one man died, who they sent to us with the request that we would bury him with the honors of war—we did so.

THE PLANET MERCURY.—Copernicus, says Capt. Smith in his Celestial Cycle, is not the only astronomer who never saw Mercury.

If any of our readers wish to be "better off" than Copernicus, they must look in the western sky about three quarters of an hour after sunset, from the garret window of a house or other places commanding a tolerable horizon; they will then see Venus almost due west, and some distance below Venus in a diagonal line from her inclining to the right, they will see Mercury brightly twinkling near the horizon.—*N. Y. Gazette.*

THE FORCE AGAINST ST. JUAN D'ULOA.—The whole number of guns that our naval

force presents against this formidable Castle, is stated to be 305. But our guns can throw shells half a mile farther than any guns can in the Castle. The Castle cost forty millions of dollars to erect it. Its walls are from 12 to 20 feet thick. It contains seven cisterns, supplying 98,767 cubic feet of water. In 1838, it was defended by 177 pieces, of different calibre. It is intended for 370.

ICE AT THE NORTH.—Lake Erie is completely frozen over. A man last week, travelled with horse and sleigh over the ice from Buffalo to Cleveland, a distance of two hundred miles.

CANDIDATES,

For Tax Collector.

The Friends of JOSEPH S. D. WETHERALL, announce him as a Candidate for TAX COLLECTOR, at the ensuing election.

The friends of the Rev. JAS. MOORE respectfully announce him as a candidate for the office of Tax Collector at the ensuing election.

The Friends of W. S. HARRIS, announce him as a candidate for re-election to the office of TAX COLLECTOR, at the ensuing election.

We are authorized to announce JOHN CUNNINGHAM, as a candidate for TAX COLLECTOR, at the next election.

The friends of EZEKIEL TRIBLE announce him as a candidate for the office of Tax Collector at the ensuing election.

We are authorized to announce T. T. CUNNINGHAM as a candidate for Tax Collector at the ensuing election.

Strayed

From the subscriber on Monday the 15th inst., a BLACK HORSE, blind in the right eye. The said horse when he left, had on a saddle and doubled rein bridle. Any person giving me information of said horse will co-operate a favor, or by delivering him to me at Mr. Roche's Hotel shall be liberally rewarded.

WM. REECE. 4 tf

The young Jack Bill.

The subscriber respectfully offers to his friends and the public generally, the services of his excellent YOUNG JACK BILL the present season.

He was sired by an imported Malta Jack 14 hands 3 inches high, and came out of a large Jennet, 14 hands and a half high. Bill was four years old last September, and is now 14 hands high having two inches and a half according to his height, yet to grow; he is black and remarkably well formed.

He will stand at \$4 the leap, \$6 the season, and \$9 to insure. Any person putting two or more mares, can have them insured at \$8 each. The same terms are offered to companies of five mares provided one person of the company becomes responsible for all. The transfer of any mare, after putting her to the Jack will not exempt the owner from the published terms. Twenty-five cents to the Groom will be required in each case.

The leap and season money will be due at the end of the season, which will be the 15th of June, and the insurance money, as soon as it is ascertained that the mare is with foal.

The Jack commences the season on Monday the 15th of March: at Cambridge on Wednesday the 17th; and at Wm. Wardlaw's near New Market, on Friday the 19th, and will visit the stends every 9th day (Sundays excepted).

March 1847. J. McCRACKEN. 3 4v

Dr. C. H. KINGSMORE,

Having made arrangements to locate in the Village of Due West, would respectfully offer his services as Physician, to the citizens of the Village and adjacent country.—Office at Mr. A. K. Patton's.

Due West, Feb. 16. 51 tf

Notice to Creditors.

Estate of John Glasgow deceased. All persons indebted to the Estate of John Glasgow dec'd, are requested to make immediate payment; and, those having demands, will present them properly attested, by the first of March, as it is desired that the Estate should be settled by that time.

Feb. 17. 51 tm R. A. MARTIN, Ex'or.

Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors and debtors of the Estate of Landy G. Shoemaker dec'd, to present their demands, and make payment to the administrator, as the assets of the Estate will be entirely insufficient to pay all. The estate will be closed in Ordinary, on the 8th of April 1847, or before.

Jan 8 46 tf J. G. CANNON, Adm'r.

Notice to absent Legatees.

The children of Margaret Brown dec'd, Legatees of Samuel Miller dec'd, are notified, that their legacy in money, is ready for them, and deposited with the Ordinary of Abbeville District So. Ca. A. H. MILLER, E'or.

Jan 27, 1847. 49 1m3m

Notice in Equity.

Guardians and Trustees, who are liable to account to the Commissioner in Equity, for Abbeville District, will hereby take Notice, that they are required to make their returns on or before the first day of March next; and that all defaulters will be dealt with according to Law.

H. A. JONES, Com. Eq'y. Abbeville C. H., Jan. 2 1847. 45 tf

Notice.

I would refer my friends and clients to John H. Wilson Esq., with whom I have left my whole business, and who, during my absence, will give all necessary information and assistance to those who have hitherto given, or who may hereafter be desirous of extending to me their patronage and encouragement.

JOHN B. MORAGNE. Dec. 30, 1846. 44 tf

\$20 Reward.

Lost on the road leading from Alexander Hunter Esq. to Samuel Hill's, a POCKET BOOK, containing ONE HUNDRED AND TEN DOLLARS, and some cents, also sundry accounts. Any person finding said book and money and returning them to me, shall receive the above reward.

Feb. 24 51 tf M. W. LOMINICK.

SPRING GOODS.

R. H. & W. A. Wardlaw Respectfully invite the attention of purchasers to their stock of

Spring and Summer Goods, now on hand, which have been bought for Cash, and selected with great care, and are now offered on the most accommodating terms.

Their stock comprises most that is desirable in the various branches of their business, consisting in part of the following: Rich printed Jaconets, do do Lawns and Cambrics, Do colored fig'd Barreges, Scotch and muslin Gingham, White and colored Embroidered muslin Robes, a beautiful article for evening dresses, Black Barreges, do Satin striped Marqueseans, Do Gingham and Lawns, Rich French worked muslin Collars and Chimisettes, Do embroidered muslin Scarfs, Fine and super English Long Cloths 4-4, 6-4, 10-4, 12-4 brown and bleached Sheetings, 12 4-4 Irish Linen Sheetings,

A Fine Stock of Diapers, Biolleys super Broad Cloths Super black French Cassimere, Do do do Doeskin, Drap. D'Ete, French and English plain and fancy Linen Drills, marseilles, silks and satin Vestings, A fine lot of studs for boys and servants wear, Fur, Wool, Panama, Leghorn and Palm Hats.

Boots and Shoes. Gents super calf Boots, do kip peg'd Boots, Ladies white, colored and black kid Slippers, Misses' and boys' shoes.

Hardware. Carolina, Elwells and Brades Hoes, Collins' pat. Axes, do Broad Axes, Cast and German Steel, single and double barrel shot Guns, Augers, Chisels, Saws, drawing Knives, mill and cross-cut Saws, &c. &c.

Books. A complete stock of school Books,—beautiful copies in calf and gilt of Byron; Milton, Rogers, Campbell, Young, Hemans, Shakspeare &c. Josephus' works, D'Aubigne's history Reformation, McMahon's Gardner, and many miscellaneous works. A handsome lot of Jewelry, Crockery, Saddlery, Groceries. March 17th, 1847. 3 tf

HILL & ALLEN.

New Store and Cheap Goods. The undersigned have associated themselves together, under the firm of HILL & ALLEN, for the purpose of selling goods at Abbeville C. H., at the lower end of Mrs. Allen's Hotel.

They flatter themselves, that they are enabled to sell as cheap at least as the other Stores in the Village, and respectfully solicit a share of public patronage. Their stock embraces Dry Goods, Hardware, Crockery and Glass ware—Saddlery, Boots and Shoes, Hats, Caps, Bonnets Groceries, &c. &c.

WILLIAM HILL, JAMES A. ALLEN. Abbeville C. H., Feb. 27, 1847. 1 tf

DISSOLUTION.

The Copartnership heretofore existing of MCBRYDE & POSEY, is this day dissolved by its own limitation. Those indebted will make payment to either of the subscribers at the old stand.

JOHN MCBRYDE, ADDISON F. POSEY Abbeville C. H., March 1, 1847.

The business will be continued by the undersigned (at the old stand) who solicit the patronage so liberally bestowed on the late firm.

JOHN MCBRYDE, BENJAMIN V. POSEY. Abbeville C. H., March 1, 1847. 1 tf

Seed Potatoes

For sale. Apply at this Office. March 10 2 tf

Notice.

Estate of Jesse Calvert deceased. Notice is hereby given to the Creditors and Distributees of Jesse Calvert dec'd, among whom Hugh H. Calvert, Wm. Leak and Elizabeth his wife, and Jesse Calvert, reside without the limits of this State that on or before the first Saturday of June next, a settlement of the same will be made in the Ordinary's Office; and that after the time specified, the Administrator will not hold himself responsible for interest on shares due the Distributees on debts. March 6, 1847. WM. SMITH, Adm'r. March 10. 2 3m

Attention McDuffie Rifle Guards. You will appear at Deadfall on the first Saturday in April next, armed and equipped for inspection and drill.

By order of J. N. COCHRAN, Lt. Com. March 17 3 tf

Abbeville Sheriff Sales.

APRIL. By virtue of sundry Writs of FINE FACIAS, to me directed, will be sold at Abbeville Court House on the first Monday in April next.

1 Tract of land in the district aforesaid, bounded by the Hon. D. L. Wardlaw, Little River, T. P. Huger, W. H. McCaw, and Edmond Tilman, containing 15833 acres more or less. This land will be sold in four separate tracts, to be designated on day of sale, sold on the following term: One third cash, the balance in two equal annual instalments, with interest from the date, payable annually. Good security and a mortgage of the premises (if required) for the purchase money. Levied on as the property of W. C. Smith, at the suit of Henry Cuttino and others.

200 Acres more or less, bounded by Abram Haddon, John Stevenson and others, levied on as the property of W. S. Robertson, at the suit of E. & J. W. Agnew, admr., and others. Terms Cash. A. C. HAWTHORN, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Abbeville C. H., March 11th, 1847. March 17 8 twd

Sheriff's Sale.

H. A. Jones Com'r. vs. John Gallagher, P. C. McOver.

In the Common Pleas, the notice having expired in this case, and the Defendant not having paid the debt and costs. The mortgaged premises, now in possession of John Gallagher, referred to in the order of foreclosure, will be sold on 1st Monday in April next, on a credit of six months, pursuant to the said order, the purchaser giving bond and good security for the purchase money.

A. C. HAWTHORN, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, March 11th, 1847. March 17. 5 twd

BLANKS for sale at this Office.

Administrator's Sale.

Will be sold in Pickens District, at the late residence of Baily Barton Esq., dec'd, on the 23rd day of March, inst., and days following THIRTY-THREE LIKELY NEGROES, consisting of men, women, boys and girls; one a good Blacksmith and one a Miller. 10,000 lbs. Bacon, 500 lbs. Lard, 100 head of Hogs, 10 Horses, 75 head of Cattle, 6 stall-fed Beeves, 2 yoke of Oxen, 30 Sheep, 1500 bushels of Corn, 10,000 bundles Fodder, 300 dozen Oats, 40 bushels Peas, 50 bushels Rye, a quantity of Shucks and Straw, 1 Still, 1 set Blacksmith tools, 1 fine set Cabinet tools, 2 four-horse Waggons, 1 ox Cart, 1 fine Buggy, 1 Carryall, 6 fine Saddles, Farming tools of every description, Household and Kitchen furniture, 8 Beaureau's, (new and fine,) 4 new Side Boards, set of new Tables, a large lot of Walnut, Cherry, Maple and Pine Lumber, 500 lbs. Cotton, large lot of ready sawed house Lumber, 10,000 new Boards; besides a great number of other articles too numerous to mention, on a credit of twelve months. Bonds or Notes with approved security will be required for the purchase money, except sums under five dollars which must be paid in Cash.

JANE BARTON, Administratrix, P. ALEXANDER, Administrator. Pickens Dist. S. C., March 2d, 1847. 2 twd

The State of South Carolina.

ABBEVILLE DISTRICT.

Jesse Reagin, vs. Catherin Reagin and others.—Partition in Ordinary.

It appearing that Nicholas Reagin, one of the Defendants in this case, resides without the limits of this State: It is ordered that he do appear and object to the sale or division of the Real Estate of Young Reagin dec'd, on or before the 20th day of May 1847, or his consent to the same will be entered of Record. DAVID LESLY, Ordinary. Feb. 20th, 1847. 1 3m

The State of South Carolina.

ABBEVILLE DISTRICT.

In Equity.

Thomas M. Finley, Reuben J. Finley, Nancy A. Finley by next friend, and T. M. Finley, v. Alexander Hunter, Nancy Finley, Granville H. Finley and others.—Bill for Account, Partition, Delivery of Slaves and Relief.

It appearing to my satisfaction, that Nancy Finley, Granville H. Finley, Isaac N. Finley, Robt. Oakley and Rhoda his wife, Abi Deck and Polly Ann his wife, and Jane R. Finley, Defendants in this case, reside without the limits of this State: Ordered that the above named Defendants do appear and plead, answer or demur, to the said Bill within three months from the publication of this order, or judgment *pro confesso*, will be rendered against them. H. A. JONES, C. E. A. D. Commissioner's Office, March 6th, 1847. March 10. 2 3m

The State of South Carolina.

ABBEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. W. H. Johnson and wife, vs. T. R. Puckett.—Partition in Ordinary.

It appearing to my satisfaction, by affidavit, that W. W. Puckett, R. L. Puckett, and Thomas Abercrombe, and children of Mary Abercrombe dec'd, Parties Defendants in this case, reside beyond the limits of this State: It is therefore ordered that they do appear and object to the division or sale of the Real Estate of Frances Long dec'd, on or before the division, the 20th day of May 1847, or their consent to the same will be entered of Record. Feb. 20, 1847. 1 3m D. LESLY, Ord'y.

The State of South Carolina.

ABBEVILLE DISTRICT.

Notice

To the Creditors and Heirs of Richmond Harris, deceased.

All persons having demands against the Estate will present them to D. Lesly, Administrator of said Estate as Derelict, on or before the 20th May 1847, at which time said Estate will be apportioned, and closed: And as the personal Estate is insufficient to pay the debts—and the following heirs and legatees reside without the limits of this State, viz: Frances E. Harris, Agnes S. Hunter, Uriah R. Harris, Louisa I. Heard, and A. J. Harris—and the creditors have petitioned for the proceeds of real Estate, to pay debts. It is therefore ordered, that the said absentees do appear and show cause, why the proceeds of the real Estate of said Richmond Harris deceased, should not be so applied, on or before the 20th of May 1847, otherwise, their consent as confessed, will be entered of record. Feb. 20, 1847. 1 3m D. LESLY, Ord'y.

The State of South Carolina.

ABBEVILLE DISTRICT.

In the Court of Ordinary.

Sarah J. A. Wheaton, vs. Thomas Simmons and others.—Application of Creditors, for proceeds of Real Estate, to be paid to Administrator for payment of debts, on insufficiency of personal Estate.

It appearing to my satisfaction, that Thomas Simmons, Frances Simmons and Anna Simmons a minor, parties Defendants, reside without the limits of this State: It is therefore ordered that they do appear and show cause within the time, viz, 20th May, 1847, why the proceeds of the Real Estate of Amelia Simmons dec'd, sold in Ordinary for Partition, should not be applied to the payment of debts by the Administrator on default of personal Estate—his consent as confessed, will be entered of record. Feb. 20. 1 3m D. LESLY, Ord'y.

Notice to Creditors.

Estate of Elisha Baird deceased. The creditors of Elisha Baird dec'd, will take notice, that I will proceed to settle on the Estate on the third Monday in May next, and the creditors will present all their demands on or before that time, as the Estate will be insolvent, and only pay a part. On that day it will be apportioned, before the Ordinary of Abbeville District. Feb. 10 51st JOHN BARKIN Adm'r.

The State of South Carolina.

ABBEVILLE DISTRICT.

John Lipford, vs. Ann Lipford and others.—Partition in Ordinary.

It appearing to my satisfaction, that John Lipford, the said Ann Lipford, and others, reside without the limits of this State: It is therefore ordered that they do appear and show cause within the time, viz, 20th May, 1847, why the proceeds of the Real Estate of John Lipford dec'd, sold in Ordinary for Partition, should not be applied to the payment of debts by the Administrator on default of personal Estate—his consent as confessed, will be entered of record. Feb. 20. 1 3m D. LESLY, Ord'y.