

SIERRA MADRE—The mother mountain range.

JALAPA, OR XALAPA—Pronounced Halapa.—Our medicine, Jalap, is brought from that place.

MANGO DE CLAVA, is the name of Santa Anna's vast estate near Vera Cruz. It means a club handle.

The curious tradition was informally mentioned to the Society, of the existence of an Arabic inscription on the walls of the Castle of St. Juan de Ulua. Such an assertion has been made, and as all historical probability is in favor of the report, it is one of sufficient dignity to occupy the attention of the Society. In the ranks of Cortes there were doubtless Moorish descendants. They were the Artisans and the architects of Spain.

The conquest of Granada occurred but a few years before the invasion of Cortes, and the christianized Moors are known to have existed in Spain a century after that period. They continued to write christian books and formulas of religion in Arabic characters.

It is equally curious, that the Mexican man of war brig captured by our squadron in the Pacific, was called *Malek Adhel, Just King*. This indicates the power of tradition and blood in perpetuating language.

The Rev. Mr. White brought to the notice of the Society a Mahammedan coin, which was recently found in Lumpkin county, of this State. Similar coins have been found in Illinois and other Western States. The early labors of French and Spanish Missionaries in these countries, is sufficient to explain this fact. These Missionaries having been once employed by the Propaganda in the Eastern World, brought over with them these coins as reminiscences of the fields of their pious labor.

(FOR THE BANNER.)

Alcohol:

Overthrows the temple of reason, undermines hope, puts the blighting hand of death upon faith: drowns charity in the vortex of sensuality; robs the mind of mercy; throws wide the gates of vice; kills the finest sensibilities of our nature, and gives to its victims the character of monsters. It has triumphed in the sacrifice of man; has destroyed enough of human beings to raise mountains far more mighty than the lofty range of the Andes or the eternal peaks of Himalah; caused rivers of blood to flow; the widow to mourn, and the orphan to wail. It sinks reason, imagination, affection, conscience and truth into the mire of that un-social, selfish, slavish, and sordid indifference which narrows the affections, contracts the mind, and clogs up those channels through which God, and nature designed should flow the milk of human greatness. At home it is an enemy, abroad a curse; in solitude a thorn; in Society a devil; to genius a poison; to vice a guide; to virtue an enemy. Under its influence what is man? a splendid slave, vacillating between the dignity of an intelligence derived from God, and the degradation of brutal passions.

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from the N. O. Picayune 11th inst.

From Gen. Taylor's Army.

The steamer James L. Day touched at the Brazos, on her voyage from Vera Cruz on the 7th inst. We received no letters from the Rio Grande by this arrival. Lt. Col. May and Lieut. French and others came passengers from the mouth of the river.

We have conversed with an intelligent officer—one who has been with Gen. Taylor from Palo Alto to Buena Vista—who left Monterey on the 20th April, who informs us that Gen. Taylor's army was melting away by reason of the expiration of the terms of service of the Volunteers under his command. He has neither men nor transportations with which to advance into the enemy's country. Indeed, the whole line of communication from the Brazos to Saltillo will presently be in a very exposed situation. The low stage of water of the Rio Grande had made the communication with the Brazos very tedious and difficult. For every lack of material of war the General must keep his encampment with force.

To replace the regiments about returning to the U. S., a portion of the 2d Mississippi regiment had arrived at Monterey; but the small pox had broken out among them and disabled many of them. The Virginia regiment was in that neighbourhood, and part of the North Carolina troops. These were employed in escorting trains from Camargo to the mountains. From all appearances this column of the army will be stationary for a time. Every thing was quiet for once.

This state of inactivity must chafe the spirit that overran the valley of the Rio Grande and first made the Mexicans to blanch before the legions of the North.

THE CACTUS IN MEXICO.—An army correspondent thus describes what he saw on the march to Tampico.

January 16. This morning at 3 o'clock General Twiggs started off the pioneer force, and considerably increased their number. The road for the most part, passed over a pleasant valley, though completely surrounded by mountains. The only labor of consequence performed by the pioneers, was in the cutting down the prickly pear, and other species of cactus, which lined the road. One of the cactus plants is curious

enough: it grows in branches many feet high, each branch having seven prominent ridges and each ridge a row of thorns. A horse can as easily be driven up to a blaze of fire as to one of these plants. Near the stream on which we encamped at the end of 16 miles, in the centre of a large bed of cactus, was a tree, which I think is something of the species full twenty-five feet in circumference at its base, and ten feet from the ground, an eighteen inch string could measure it. The leaf is something after the fashion of weeping willow, though broader. I saw a pioneer stick an axe into the body of this tree, and although he did not use much force, it went in to the eye, the substance being pithy and spongy. Of a similar growth, I believe there was at least fifty in the course of a mile.

La Vega

This officer is said to have turned a deaf ear to the complaints of Maj. Gaines and Borland, and Capt. Clay, closely confined at Mexico, whose wants were neglected. If so, he ought to be made to feel the absence of these courtesies showered on him.

The following is from the Vera Cruz Eagle, of the 5th inst.

We paid a visit to the Castle of San Juan de Ulua on Sunday last, and regretted to find so much sickness existing there, notwithstanding the great care used by its able and gentlemanly commander, Maj. Bacchus. We are informed that more than a fourth of those who are placed to keep it in order are laboring under some prostrating disease. The greatest caution is observed by Major Bacchus to avoid this, by the removal of every thing which might be supposed to be capable of engendering disease. We left Gen. La Vega, in his shirt sleeves, busily engaged at a game of chess with a friend, and he is in excellent spirits—says he regrets very much his inability to speak English as it would add so much to the merit of the society of his American friends—the General's a trump card—he is.

PRECOCITY NO MARK OF GENIUS—"What is the use of thee, thou gnarled sapling?" said a young larch tree to a young oak—"I grow three feet in a year, thou scarcely as many inches; I am straight and taper as a reed; thou straggling and twisted as a loosened withe."

"And thy duration," answered the oak, "is some third part of a man's life, and I am appointed to flourish for a thousand years. Thou art felled and sawn into piling, when thou rottest, and art burned after a single Summer; of me are fashioned battle-ships, and I carry mariners and heroes into unknown seas."

The richer a nature, the hardier and slower its development. Two boys were once of a class in the Edinburgh Grammar school—John ever trim, precise and dux; Walter ever slovenly, confused and dolt. In due time, John became Bailly John of Hunter Square; and Walter became Sir Walter Scott of the universe. The quickest of all vegetables is the cabbage.—*Carlyle*.

FEELINGS OF GRATITUDE.—In the course of a debate in the English House of Commons, Lord John Russel took occasion to say: "I wish to avail myself of this opportunity to state, that I have observed, with great pleasure and satisfaction, the munificent subscriptions that have been raised in the United States of America, for the relief of the destitute poor in this country and in Ireland. I think it is not improper, in this house, for me, a British subject, to state that I am extremely gratified to find that the U. States have not forgotten their common origin, and that, actuated by charitable feelings, they are making great exertions to collect large sums of money for the relief of the existing distress."

2d MISSISSIPPI REGIMENT.—The latest date from the 2d Regiment Mississippi Riflemen that has been received, states that up to that time the Regiment had lost by death, since it had been mustered into service, one hundred and six men! and this, too, before having come in sight of the Mexican forces. They also left fifty sick at Matamoros, besides many at New Orleans, at the mouth of the Rio Grande, and other points.—Reuben Davis, the Colonel of this unfortunate regiment, arrived at New Orleans on the 26th ult., on his return from Monterey. We see no reasons assigned in the newspapers for his return, although we have heard numerous rumors.

A WEDDING PARTY POISONED.—At a wedding at old Mr. Wilkinson's in Shelby County, Texas, all the invited guests were poisoned, including the bride's maid and groom's man. Thirty out of sixty poisoned, Dr. Sharp says, will certainly die. Ten or twelve are already dead including two sons of a preacher Britton, two Castleberries—one a young man, the other a young woman, one of the Slaughter's and his wife. The bride and groom with the family escaped, yet one of the bride's maids died in the House. Old Wilkinson has absconded. The people of that portion of Texas are in arms, the servants, it is supposed, were hired to administer the poison in the coffee, or food, by a disappointed snitor, who was present at the wedding.

GEN. TWIGGS.—This officer has been every hard fought battle during the war with Mexico, except that at Buena Vista. He has borne himself nobly at Palo Alto, Resaca de la Palma, Monterey, Vera Cruz, and Cerro Gordo.

A MONUMENT TO GOV. YELL.—The Washington (Arks.) Telegraph, in a very

handsome tribute to the fallen brave of that State, proposes to erect a monument at Little Rock, at public expense, to "Col. A. Yell and the brave men who fell with him at Buena Vista."

MR. BANCROFT.—In his recent visit to Paris, was engaged in making researches among the archives of the foreign office, for materials to complete the forthcoming volume of the history of the United States, during which every facility was afforded by the French Minister, M. Guizot.

HYMNICAL.

MARRIED, at Lodimont, on Wednesday evening the 19th inst., by Rev. Wm. H. Davis, Gen. JAMES P. GRAVES, of Washington Ga., to Miss KATE FLO-RIDE, only daughter of Dr. H. H. Towns of this District.

CANDIDATES,

For Tax Collector.

We are authorized to announce JAMES M. CALVERT, as a candidate for TAX COLLECTOR, at the ensuing election.

The friends of Capt. E. C. MARTIN, announce him as a candidate for TAX COLLECTOR, at the next ensuing election.

The friends of WILLIAM J. HAMMOND, take pleasure in announcing him a Candidate for TAX COLLECTOR at the ensuing election.

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.

Washington and his Generals.

A few copies Washington and his Generals, by Headley, Author of Napoleon and his Marshals, just received and for sale by

R. H. & W. A. WARDLAW.

Abbeville C. H., 19th May, 1847

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Scythe Blades.

R. H. & W. A. WARDLAW, have on hand a fine stock of Scythe Blades, Sickles and Cutting Knives.

Abbeville C. H., May 19th 1847.

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Gold Pens.

A fresh supply of those superior Diamond pointed Gold Pens: Also, plain and chased Gold Ear Rings; and brilliant stone and Cameo Brooches, just received by

R. H. & W. A. WARDLAW.

April 20th.

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Greenville S. C. Female Academy.

This Institution of learning is now, with a full corps of Teachers and in successful operation. Professor Linebak has taken charge of the music department. This gentleman stands at the head of his profession, and will, no doubt, give entire satisfaction to those who may place their daughters under his tuition. From the manner in which the Greenville School has been conducted for the last three years, the trustees can recommend it, as an Institution in every way worthy of the confidence and entitled to the patronage of an enlightened public.

A. B. CROOK, P. B. T.

G. F. TOWNS, Secretary.

May 1847.

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Matress Making.

We whose names are hereunto subscribed, having used the Matresses Manufactured by Mr. JAMES H. PRICE of the Village of Abbeville, and do hereby recommend his work to the public, and himself as worthy of their patronage.

THOMAS P. SPIERIN,

T. P. MOSELY.

THOMAS B. DENDY.

Persons in the country desiring Matresses, would do well to give me a call, and examine for themselves. My terms will be found reasonable, and the matresses will show what they are. Shop opposite Mr. HUNTER'S Gin Shop.

JAS. H. PRICE.

May 25th, 1847.

13 1m

Citation.

Whereas, Thomas M. Finly, by Thomas Thomson his Attorney applies to me to grant him letters of Administration on the Estate of Reuben Finly dec'd: These are therefore to cite the kindred and creditors of the deceased, to appear before me at Ordinary on Wednesday 7th June next, to show cause why said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand at Abbeville C. H., 24th May, 1847.

D. LESLY, Ordinary.

May 26th.

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Citation.

Whereas James L. McCulvey applies to me to grant him Letters of Administration on the Estate of John McCulvey dec'd: These are therefore to cite the kindred and creditors of the deceased to appear before me in Ordinary on Tuesday the 1st June 1847, to show cause why said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand at Abbeville C. H., the 12th May 1847.

D. LESLY, Ordinary.

May 19th.

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Citation.

Whereas Patrick Heffenan, applies to me to grant him letters of Administration on the Estate of John Day dec'd:

These are therefore to cite the kindred and creditors of the deceased to appear before me in Ordinary on Tuesday the 1st June 1847, to show cause why said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand at Abbeville C. H., the 18th May 1847.

D. LESLY, Ordinary.

May 19th.

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Attention Lower Battalion!

There will be a Court Martial held at Bradley's Old Field on Saturday the 26th of June, to try all defaulting non-commissioned officers and Privates.

The Court will consist of the following officers: Captains E. R. Mills, President—Capt. S. C. Sanier, E. O. Ragin, and Lieuts. George Patterson, G. M. Brown.

By order of Col. M. O. TALMAN. J. G. BASKINS, Adj't.

May 19th 12 tf

Head Quarters.

COLUMBIA, April 21th, 1847. GENERAL ORDER NO. 4. RICHARD J. MANNING, and CAMPBELL R. BRYCE, Esquires, having been appointed Aides-Camp to the Commander-in-Chief, with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

By order of the Commander-in-Chief. J. W. CANTEY, Adj't. and Insp'r. General.

May 26. 13 3w

Head Quarters.

COLUMBIA, 18th May, 1847. GENERAL ORDER. All officers of Militia of this State ordering elections of officers of the line of whatever grade or rank, or making appointments of officers of the staff, will report the names of the officers so elected or appointed to the Secretary of State, who is directed thereupon to fill up and forward their commissions without delay, and he is also further directed not to issue any blank military commission.

All communications addressed to the Secretary of State under this order to be endorsed "Militia Service."

The Brigadier Generals, are charged with the extension of this order.

By order of the Commander-in-Chief. J. W. CANTEY, Adj't. and Insp't. Gen.

May 19th 12 6w

Just Received,

A fresh and handsome stock of Printed Lawns, printed Jaconet and Brocade Muslins, some of New Styles: also mourning Muslins. R. H. & W. A. WARDLAW.

Abbeville C. H., April 20th 1847.

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Notice.

The subscribers respectfully invites the attention of the citizens of Abbeville, and the District generally, to their MERCHANT TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT, in this Village, two doors above the Planter's Hotel, where they will keep at all times a fine assortment of GOODS for Gentlemen's wear. Their Stock this Spring have principally been purchased in New York, and consist in part of,

Super Black French Cloths,

" Blue " "

" Brown " "

" Black " Doeskin Cas'm's

" " Fancy " "

White and Fancy Drillings.

A splendid assortment of Vestings,

A fine lot of white Kid Gloves, black do.

Black Satin and fancy Cravats, Scarfs, Suspenders, silk under Shirts and Drawers,

A fine article of cotton Shirts and Drawers, Buttons and Trimmings of all kinds,

Also a variety of goods belonging to the trade, Military Trimmings &c., all of which will be made up in a style that will suit any that may favor us with their patronage.

JOHN LYON,

JOHN LIPSCOMB.

Abbeville C. H., April 27th 1847. 9 3m

Notice to Creditors.

Estate of Wm. Alexander deceased. Not ceis hereby given to the Creditors and Debtors of the Estate of Wm Alexander dec'd, to present their demands and make payment to the Administrator, as the Estate will not be able to pay all the demands against it. It will be closed in Ordinary on the first of May.

ARCH'D KENNEDY, Adm'r.

Feb. 17. 5 0m

Notice to absent Heirs.

Alfred Mounce, Willis Mounce, and Michael Lowery and Nancy his wife who reside with their State, and Distributees of W. D. Mounce dec'd, are hereby notified, that the Administrator R. G. Goulding will be ready to settle their portion of the Estate on or before the 18th June 1847, and holding their money in readiness at that time will not be accountable for interest longer.

March 18. R. G. GOULDING, Adm'r

March 31 5 tf

The State of South Carolina.

ABBEVILLE DISTRICT.

H. H. Towns applicant, vs. J. W. Prather and others.—*Partition in Ordinary.*

It appearing to my satisfaction that the case, Roberts, one of the Defendants in this case, is a resident beyond the limits of this District, therefore ordered that the Real Estate of the division be sold, on or before the 20th day of May next, or his consent to the same will be entered of record.

D. LESLY, Ord'y.

Feb. 24. 52 3m

Notice to Creditors.

Estate of Elisha Baird deceased. The creditors of Elisha Baird dec'd, will take notice, that I will proceed to settle up 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 BASKIN, Adm'r.

Abbeville Sheriff Sales.

JUNE.

By virtue of sundry Writs of F. Fa. to me directed will be sold on the first Monday in June next: 200 Acres of land more or less, bounded by John Power and others, levied on as the property of John A. Martin, at the suit of D. O. Hawthorn and others.

640 Acres of land more or less, bounded by Gabriel Cox, Nancy Martin, Col. Patterson and others, levied on as the property of P. B. Moragne, at the suit of the Commissioners of the Poor.

2 Negroes, Lucinda and June, levied on as the property of James Patterson, at the suit of William Robertson jr.

1 Road waggon, levied on as the property of James Killingsworth, at the suit of B. V. Poscy.

1 Horse levied on as the property of Samuel P. Laird, at the Richard A Martin Administrator.

Terms Cash. A. C. HAWTHORN, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Abbeville C. H., May 10th, 1847. May 12 11 tsd

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

Wanted Immediately.

A persevering, industrious young man, (or single man,) as an OVERSEER, who will be governed by instructions. For such a man liberal wages will be given, by the month, or until the end of the year. My present Overseer's health, is such that he is unable to continue in business.

Residence, Stony Point. May 12. 11 3w

Land for Sale.

The subscriber having determined to remove West, off rs for sale his TRACT of LAND on which he resides. There is between 8 and 900 acres, between 5 and 600 cleared and in excellent repair. On the plantation is two excellent settlements—TWO good TWO-STORY HOUSES at each place—Gin houses, screw, and every necessary out-building. The plantation lies in two and a half miles of a good landing on Savannah river. It is presumed no one would purchase without examination, as such further description is unnecessary—a bargain will be given.

ROBERT E. BELCHER.

May 12. 11 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 or debts.

March 6, 1847. WM. SMITH, Adm'r.

March 10. 2 3m

The State of South Carolina,

ABBEVILLE DISTRICT.

John Lipford, vs. Ann Lipford and others.

—*Partition in Ordinary.*

It appearing to my satisfaction, by the Petition of John Lipford, that James Lipford, Jackson Lindsey and wife Mary, two of the Defendants in this case, reside without the limits of this State: Ordered that they do appear and object to the division of the Real Estate of Edward Lipford dec'd, on or before 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.

Just Received

A Fresh supply of New and Valuable Medicines—among which are the following:

Dr. Spencer's Vegetable Pills,

and

Restorative Bitters,

Designed for, and will CURE, Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, Piles, Scrofula, Jaundice, and all kindred diseases resulting from a disordered stomach or impure state of blood.

Dr. Hull's Worm Lozenges,

The Safest, most Effectual, and pleasant preparation before the public, for the Eradication of Worms, in Children or Adults.

Hull's Cough Lozenges,

Will PREVENT Consumption, and CURE all cases of Colds, Asthma, Spitting of blood, pains in the side, shortness of breath, and all other Pulmonary Complaints.

—ALSO—

Dr. Hull's Fever and Ague Pills.

Well known as a Safe, Certain, and Effectual Cure for Fever and Ague, Chills and Fever, Intermittent and all other Fevers.

Price reduced to 75 cents per Box

The above Medicines, Fresh and Genuine, are for sale by Wardlaw & Dundy, at the Post Office.

For certificates of recommendation and other information concerning the above Medicines, see future advertisements, also pamphlets which may be obtained of the Agents,

April 28. 9 1m

J. F. GRIFFIN,

Commission Merchant,