

ed, it had been confirmed. He had not thought proper at the last session to introduce this resolution. He had waited in the hope that some gentleman better qualified to sustain it should make the motion: in that hope, he had so far waited the present session. No one having undertaken what he now conceived his duty, he moved.

"That the committee on military affairs be instructed to enquire into the expediency of reducing the army of the United States."

Mr. W. not wishing to hurry the motion, it was, at his request, ordered to lie on the table.

St. Louis, November 13.

Singular Occurrence.—We have been favored with the following extract of a letter by a gentleman of this city, which he assures us he received from a friend whose veracity cannot be doubted.

Rock Island, N. T., Oct. 5.

"An Indian trader named Pelham was here a few days ago with a Newfoundland dog.—A man named Jenkinson, also an Indian trader, had just been drowned. Pelham directed the dog to dive, he instantly dived down and dragged up the body of poor Jenkinson. If this were all, it would be a common occurrence only, as it is well known that the Newfoundland dog is faithful and sagacious; but the affectionate animal had but just risen above the watery deep, when he again returned to it unbidden, and dragged up the body of another man, who proved to be the brother of the other, and instantly laid him by his side."

At the Old Bailey Sessions which commenced in London on the 5th of September 460 persons were committed for trial, and among them 170 females.

The Paradox.—A singular animal has been discovered in New-Holland; to which they have given the name of the Paradox.—Both its hind legs are armed with spurs which contain a poison similar to that of a rattlesnake. A wound inflicted with the spur of the Paradox, is said to be equally dangerous as the bite of the Viper or the Rattlesnake. One of these animals has been dissected and the poison analysed by a learned society in Paris.

OF VENEZUELA.

FROM THE AURORA.

We have just been favored with a letter dated Caracas, 21st November, 1818, Saturday, 11 P. M. and the Caracasische Courant, printed in Low Dutch and English, of the same date. The following interesting information is contained in the printed newspaper, and referred to in the letter.

"On Saturday last, the 14th inst., a dispatch was received by Admiral Brion from Margarita, from Lord Cochrane, stating that his Lordship had arrived at the Yagajay (a cluster of small islands called los Yagajay) to the windward of Margarita, about 60 miles from the continent, the same distance from Grenada, lat. 11 deg. 35 min. N. long. 62 deg. 5 miles W. with four ships under his command, and that Sir Gregor M. Gordon sailed from Europe at the same time, with 8000 men and their equipments, to join the army of Venezuela.

Immediately on the receipt of these advices at Margarita, a discharge of artillery from the batteries and ships of war, and the ringing of bells, &c. &c. announcing the welcome tidings to the inhabitants. Lord Cochrane's flag ship is a frigate of 44 guns; she had been struck by lightning a few days prior to her arrival at the Testigos, and the foremast somewhat injured.

Admiral Brion's squadron was at anchor off Pampatar, and consisted of a frigate pierced for 30 guns, but mounted only 22; two brigs of 18 guns each; four large schooner rigged vessels of 10 guns each; and about 20 sail of feluchas, each carrying a gun on the bow and stern. This force was destined on a secret expedition, and the precautionary measure of an embargo had been taken at Pampatar, and the other ports of the island—but, upon the advice of Lord Cochrane's arrival, the embargo was instantly raised. Lord Cochrane was daily expected at Margarita, and it was supposed that on his arrival, the two squadrons would co-operate in a descent upon some part of the Main. It was not known who would command, but it was thought that Admiral Brion would yield the point of seniority to Lord Cochrane.

A brig under American colors, named the George Washington, four days from Margarita, arrived in the harbor of

Wednesday afternoon. This vessel sailed from New-York, in August last, for the Havana, with a cargo consisting principally of flour, but finding no market there, she sailed again for Laguyra, and on the 12th of October was boarded by the independent privateer Brutus, capt. Job, who sent her into Margarita for adjudication, as Spanish property under simulated papers, and as attempting to violate the blockade of Laguyra.

The vessel and cargo were formally libelled before the admiralty court at Margarita, of which general Arismendi is the president, and it being proved that the consignees at the Havana had consigned the cargo to a merchant at Laguyra, the cargo was condemned. The brig was however released, and capt. Luther Pratt who commanded her was awarded to receive out of the proceeds the amount of his freight in the currency of the island; this currency however is 25 to 30 per cent below par. Capt. Pratt has entered his protest against the seizure of the cargo, and left that island last Sunday with his vessel, and is now in port.

This once flourishing island (Curaçoa) is now become miserable and poor. God only knows how one half the inhabitants subsist; there is nothing doing; commerce is the only support of them all, and we have now little or no trade, that with the opposite coast, the ports being blockaded by numerous feluchas, and other craft of the patriots; and even if vessels go under cover, the cruisers are so numerous that there is no possibility of escaping capture; therefore what can we do? In deed, we must starve, unless a change of circumstances takes place in a very short time. I am in hopes, from the inclosed news in this day's gazette, that we shall very soon see the fate of Venezuela decided, and the commerce of that rich country opened to us before the close of the present year, or early in the spring.

Extract of a letter to a merchant in New-York, dated Caracas, Nov. 20.

"A fleet of small vessels sailed from here a fortnight ago, under the convoy of a Dutch brig of war; among them the Dutch schooner Harmony. The day after their departure, she fell in with two independent privateers, which cut off and captured two Spanish vessels, blew up a Spanish armed brig, took possession of the Harmony and sent her up to Margarita. We are still ignorant of the fate of the remainder of the convoy, but are led to believe that they escaped. The Dutch frigate Curviece has sailed in quest of the robbers, and our government will adopt all possible measures to claim the schooner and to receive ample satisfaction for the violation of our flag. The privateers belong to Baltimore, and their owners are merchants there."

CAMDEN, S. C.

THURSDAY, DEC. 31, 1818.

A meeting of the Female Benevolent Society will take place on Friday the 1st of January at three o'clock in the Masonic Hall. The members are particularly requested to attend.

Header.—A most atrocious and unprovoked murder was committed in the body of JAMES W. GARDEN, Esq. when returning home last evening, between the hours of 8 and 9 o'clock, and one of the most public streets of our city. He was literally bayoneted, and died instantaneously. The causes of this brutal and inhuman act are unknown.—The offenders are in custody. Mr. Garden was highly esteemed in the community for the very virtues which adorned his character. He has been torn suddenly from the affections of a wife and eight children, whom he has left in mournful premature and untimely death.—C. Times 22d inst.

HAVANA, Aug. 25.

We experienced, on the evening of the 23d inst. one of the most terrible storms. The lightning fell upon the cathedral and the church of St. Jerome; 13 houses of several stories, which were in their vicinities, were reduced to a state of ruin, as well as the two churches; more than 200 persons perished from this unhappy event; we are as yet ignorant of the damage which must have been experienced in the country, where the storm appeared to rage still more violent.

Tornado at Cape Henry.—Captain Perry, of the schooner Hunter, arrived at Baltimore in 17 days from Cape Henry, mentioning that a severe tornado was felt at the Cape, on the 13th of November. Much damage was sustained both in the harbor and on shore. A number of houses were blown down and many lives lost among whom was a woman aged 112. The brig, Pedar drifted with three anchors ahead, ran foul of a Danish scho. carried away the scho's rudder, and the brig's quarters were stove in.

Buenos Ayres, July 15.

"The Maipo privateer of 18 guns, (formerly an American brig*) Daniels, which sailed from hence 22d ult. returned her

commission to this government, having received a commission from Gen. Artigas to cruise against the Portuguese. In going down the river off Point Pedras, she fell in with the Portuguese brig Guadalupe, from Rio Janeiro to this port, with a cargo of sugar, rice and coffee, worth \$70,000, and after taking out the crew and letters she sunk her."

* The Yachnis, which cleared at Baltimore last March for Teneriffe, commanded by capt. Cook.—Bost. Fal.

A letter from Havana, dated 21st November, states that Capt. Obed Wright, etc. of the United States army (of the Georgia militia) had arrived there a few days previous from St. Augustine.

THE LEGISLATURE.

Of this State adjourned on Friday last, 18th instant. The following is a List of the Acts passed during the session.

- 1. An act to exempt the Officers of the several Branches, of the Bank of the State of South Carolina, from the performance of ordinary militia duty and serving on juries.
2. An act to authorize the Comptroller General to furnish Moses Mathews the necessary certificates to obtain the commission of Sheriff of Williamsburgh district, upon his giving bond and security according to law.
3. An act to alter and amend the Charter of the Bank of the State of South Carolina.
4. An act to authorize the President and Directors of the Bank of the State of South Carolina to establish a Branch of said Bank at Camden.
5. An act to authorize the Governor to appoint a receiver of the monies arising from the sale of the lands lately acquired from the Cherokee Indians.
6. An act to amend an act, entitled "an act to authorize the Governor of this State to cause that part of the land purchased from the Cherokee Indians, which has been surveyed and divided into tracts, to be sold as early as possible, and for other purposes therein mentioned."
7. An act to authorize and require juries impanelled in Charleston, to sit in cases beyond the term of one week, for which they are usually impanelled.
8. An act to increase the number of the places to be appointed by law for the election of Colonels and Majors in the different Regiments and Battalions throughout the State, and for other purposes therein mentioned.
9. An act to repeal so much of the section of the act of 1769, as authorises the Governor and Commander in Chief in certain cases to appoint and commission persons to hold the Courts of Sessions and Common Pleas.
10. An act to give the judges of the Court of Sessions and Common Pleas power to grant certain writs, and hear motions in chambers in the same manner as in other courts.
11. An act to extend the powers of the Commissioners of Cross Roads on Charleston Neck.
12. An act to appropriate and set apart one million of dollars for internal improvement, and for other purposes therein mentioned.
13. An act to incorporate the Charleston Fire and Marine Insurance Company.
14. An act to empower the Managers of Elections hereafter to administer to each other the oath prescribed by law to be taken before entering on the duties of their appointment, and to prescribe the mode of filling vacancies when they occur.
15. An act to repeal the act passed at December session in the year 1816, and the amendatory act thereto, passed at December session 1817, prohibiting and restricting the bringing of Negroes into this state from the sister states.
16. An act to repeal an act, to continue in force an act to incorporate the town of Beaufort, and for other purposes therein mentioned, so far as relates to the establishment of the Inferior Court of record of Beaufort, and also to re-establish the Court of Wardens therein.
17. An act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free Masons of South Carolina, and for other purposes.
18. An act to authorize the Commissioners of the town of Columbia, to convey to the Intendant and Wardens of the town of Columbia, to the officers and members of Lodge No. 68, to the officers and members of the Agricultural Society, and to the officers and members of the Medical Board, and their successors, a lot in the town of Columbia.
19. An act to authorize the Hon Theodore Gaillard to leave the state.
20. An act directing a census to be taken of the free white inhabitants of this state.
21. An act to raise supplies for the year 1819.
22. An act to make appropriations for the year 1818.
23. An act giving to Charleston district three Circuit Courts, and for other purposes.
24. An act giving permission to Wm Hassel, Gibbs and Stephen Elliott to leave the state.

NOTICE.

Do not trade for a note signed by me to SIDNEY GRACY, for one hundred and fifty dollars; the consideration proving fraudulent, I shall not pay a cent of it.

John Duncan,

Liberty Hill, S. C. Dec. 31 2-4

Wholesale Prices Current.

CAMDEN, December 31.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes items like Barter (lb.), Bacon do., Brandy, Bees Wax (lb.), Upland Cotton, Corn (bush), Coffee, Flour, Sugar, Pork, Shoe Thread, Salt, Tallow, and Wheat.

Prices at Charleston, Dec. 14.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes items like Cotton, sea island, Corn, N. E. Rum, Lard, Molasses, Tallow, and Whiskey, Penn.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Will be sold on the first Monday in January and the day following, to the highest bidder, within the legal hours.

A Negro Wench and three or four Bales of Cotton.

Conditions—cash, purchasers to pay for Sheriff's Fees.

N. C. Wiggins, s. R. D.

December 24

Statesville Academy.

The Trustees of this Academy announce to Parents and Guardians, that the Rev. JOHN MURPHY, has recovered his health, and that the exercises of this Institution will commence on the first Monday in January next. The degree of importance to which this Institution has arisen, (without the aid of news paper puff) has so much increased the number of its Students that another Assistant Teacher is now necessary. A person properly qualified to assist in the Classical or Mathematical department will meet with due encouragement.

Terms of Tuition 5.00 per annum. It is requested of those indebted to the Institution, to make immediate payment.

H. Worke,

Secy. Board Trustees.

Dec. 21, 1818

Boot and Shoe Store.

H. LEVY & CO.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED

- Ladies elegant English Kid Slippers assorted colors.
Ditto 6-Hole Shoes.
Ditto cork soles.
Ditto washing Shoes.
Childrens Boots assorted colors.
Wellington Boots.
Shoemen Pumps &c.
December 31

On Monday the 13th day of January next, will be sold at the late Residence of JOHN RUSSELL deceased, an Beaver creek.

Two Negroes, a Wagon and three Horses, a quantity of House hold Furniture, a Riding chair and Harness, and some Plantation Tools &c.

And at the same time will be rented to the highest bidder, until the 1st day of January 1820, several parcels of land and a Great Mill, belonging to the Estate of the said deceased.

Terms of sale will be declared on the sale day.

William A. Russell, Adm'r.

December 31

Negroes to hire.

Will be hired on Monday the 11th January next, before the court house in Camden, Ten Negro field Hands, belonging to the Estate of cap. James Dillouse deceased, said Negroes to be hired until the first day of January, 1820, and persons desiring to give their notes with good security, payable at that time.

J. Carr.

December 31

The Subscriber

Offers for sale his House and Lot with the improvements thereon, the building is new and convenient the situation pleasant and well watered. For terms apply to

John Smith.

December 31

Caution.

All persons are hereby warned against trading for a Note of Hand, given by me to Oliver Mawhathy, for a certain piece of Land, as it appears there is a prior right for the same. This is to notify all persons that I will not pay said Note, unless compelled by law.

John Faulkenbury.

Dec. 31

New Store.

H. LEVY & CO.

Nearly opposite the Masonic Hall, Has received, and offers for sale on liberal terms,

A HANDSOME ASSORTMENT OF

Fall and Winter GOODS.

Consisting of the following Articles: Extra superfine black and blue Cloths, superfine green, brown, and golden olive Cloths, Yorkshire Cloths, assorted colors, Superfine blue and black Casimeres, D. drabs, mixed and assorted do, Do. Toulencs and Marselles Vestings 7-4 and 8-4 London dufl Blankets 7-4, 8-4, 9-4, 10-4, 11-4, 12-4 and Rose Blankets, Superfine Saxony Shaws, assorted colors, White, red and printed Flannels, Blue and mixed Flannels, Mens grey, lambs wool and half Rose Womens slates, white and black Cotton Hose, Superfine black Bombazons, Do. black, green, brown, blue and Scarlet Bombazets, Elegant sewed Muslins, Da small gull Muslins, Do. 9-8 and 6-4 Cambric Muslins, 3-4 and 4-4 Sheetings, and brown Hollands, Apron Checks, and Gingham, Superfine address Calicoes, Common do. do, Cotton Shirtings, and Humbugs, Finest Muslins, Elegant damask Table Cloths and Napkins, Whites, black and colored Kid Gloves, Elegant worked Robes, &c. &c. November 26.

RACES.

CAMDEN JOCKEY CLUB.

The races will commence on Wednesday the 13th January, and will be continued for two or three days.—The first day's running will be three mile heats, the second two mile heats—five for any horse, male or female on the continent, carrying weight as follows, viz.

Table with 2 columns: Age and Weight. Includes: Aged Horses to carry 105 lbs, Six years old 100, Five do 110, Four do 105, Three do 95, Two do 85.

Geldings and fillies allowed a lb. less.

J. W. CANTLEY,

J. C. MIRA,

H. W. CAMERON, stewards.

E. S. DYE,

PUSSELL MCGEE,

Stewards of the Jockey Club, Camden, will insert the above twice and forward the accounts to this Office for payment.

December 24

Strayed

From the subscription on the 18th inst. a high bred Bay Horse about fifteen years old and a half hands high, paces, trots, and canter well, has paces a fine neck and head, and a number of small white spots on the smaller his back, brand of (any) not remembered.

Any information respecting said Horse will be thankfully received and a satisfactory reward given to any person delivering the same to the subscriber in Camden.

William Brown,

December 31

In the Common Pleas, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, LANCASTER DISTRICT.

Amos Dancy, Case in Attachment, Daniel Bowman, J.

WHEREAS the Plaintiff in this action did on the 15th day June 1818; file his declaration in the office of the Clerk of the honorable court, against the Defendant, who is absent from and without the limits of this State, and hath neither wife nor attorney known within the same; upon a copy of the said declaration, with a copy to plead thereto, within a year and a day, might be served. It is therefore ordered, in pursuance of the act of the General Assembly, in that case, made and provided, that the said defendant do appear and plead to the said declaration, on or before the 15th day of June next, which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, or final and absolute judgment will then be given and awarded against him.

William McKenna, C. C.

Office of Common Pleas, Lancaster District

June 15, 1818.

For sale.

A likely Negro Fellow about 41 years of age.—Enquire at this Office.

August 1

BLANKS

For sale at this Office.