# THE INDEPENDENT PRESS

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M. PUCKETT, Individuals, like nations, fail in nothing which they boldly attempt, when sustained by virtuous purpose, and determined resolution.—HENRY CLAY. "Willing to praise, yet not afraid to blame."

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# ABBEVILLE C. H.

FRIDAY, - - - - APRIL 6, 1855.

### Our Agents.

WILLIAM HILL and JOHN McBRYDE. Esqst, are our agents. Any orders left with be mental system and arrangement. them will be attended to.

#### Wesley A. Black, Esq.,

Has been appointed a Notary Public for this District, by His Excellency the Gov-

#### Remember the Rule.

LETTERS must be post-paid before they are mailed, otherwise they will not be mailed. There is no mistake about this, and we only keep it before the people to prevent disappointments.

### The Weather.

grow "no better fast." Our last allusion to effectually settled the peach question, whilst vegetation generally, have sustained consid- the amusement with our readers. erable injury. We hear of some farmers planting corn the second time.

#### The Rasche Concert.

THE audience on this entertainment last Saturday evening was small. This no doubt had a tendency to depress the spirits of the which is so conducive to the charms of muhighly satisfactory. We hope the compagoes, for we believe it worthy.

### Literal Interpretation.

An enthusiastic devotee of Campbelism, on a certain occasion, after holding forth upon the "literal interpretation" of the Scriptures, sat down, saying:

"I dare any man to gainsay my posi-

Up rose a shrewd little Dutchman, and replied as follows:

"My friends, I doshe have but von vord to shay: De schripters dush say dat he dat believeth, out of hish pelly shall flow rivers of water; and as it ish a very dry time, and we dush need water to grind mit, I moves dat he dush take his shtand at de head of de mill-ponds and fill 'em mit water."

It is not stated that the disciple of CAMP-BELL attempted any reply.

# Success of Dr. Kingsmore.

berry, we called at the studio of Dr. Kingsface divine," and occasionally an allusion by but-there's the whistle!" the press to his later performances. Neithunhesitatingly adjudge the finest and (so far as we are acquainted with the originals) most correct we have ever seen. The one most attractive to us, representing a little babe, which had recently died, ascending a stairway of clouds to the home of angels, was as beautiful in execution as it was appropriate in design. Such a memento will excite feelings of gratitude to the artist in the hearts of the bereaved parents while it recalls remembrances of the dearly loved and early lost.

This is a disinterested and honest tribute to unassuming merit. Dr. KINGSMORE, as an artist, needs only the acquaintance of the

# A Sharp Transaction.

WHEN a Gentile gets the advantage of a Jew, he has something to brag on. The exized. The victimizer was (we are told) Ben Leve Posey:

#### Unsystematic Thinking.

mind, to itself, is an indefinable prodigy.

By reflection we compare the past with

One of the most prominent characteristhought untaught to think.

THE weather in this region continues to the talking genus; and, as we could not deny ourself the indulgence of feeling con- when one partner in a firm bolts, the othit was lachrymose enough, but since then siderably amused at listening to as much of ers are justifiable in suspending operations we have had one or two freezes that have what he said as our frigid fingers and toes and winding up the business. would permit, it may not be amiss in connecgardens, wheat and out crops, as well as tion with the foregoing remarks to divide

When we reached the house of our friend, a little servant girl was busily engaged in sweeping the floor, and at her the talk began. "Make haste, there, gal," said our host, (for he seemed to be in a great hurry,) "and get done sweeping, and fix this table, company and prevent that flow of spirits for the cars will be here presently." "It is a very cold morning, indeed" "You had sic. Nevertheless, the performances were better sweep along, gal." "What is your name, sir ?" "Here's a place you haven't ny may meet large audiences wherever it half swept! Give me that broom!"-"How far have you come this morning, sir?" "Tell them to hurry breakfast." "Where do you live, and what is your profession?" "They say that that man—what's his name? -NICHOLAS is dead." "Be in a hurry, and wipe them dishes well." "I hope in God that if he is dead, some one else will take his place, and whip the French and English."

By this time we were carried off, to some extent, in our risible regions, but the following knocked us entirely off our balance, and we enjoyed, in plain English, "a hearty laugh." On scrutinizing our 'og, said he 'Don't one corner of your for'ad stick out furder than the other? It looks like it does." "I don't believe in nations doubleteaming upon one another, and so I don't." "I heard a man say once that there was no way of baptism right but this splunging business"-"Come, gals, bring in break-As we returned from our late visit North, fast"—"but I don't believe a word of it; if tarrying a few hours at the village of New- I did, by jingo, I'd be splunged twice a week, I'll be dinged if I didn't." "I expect MORE to gain his acquaintance and see his that we are to have a difficulty with them paintings. We had seen, years ago, a few people over yander yit." "I wouldn't be of his maiden efforts to sketch "the human splunged sich a day as this, it's too cold;

The arrival of the cars turned the attener of these, however, although highly cred- tion of our host in another direction, and itable to the young self-taught artist, had in a few minutes we exchanged the noise of prepared us to believe what we now are one of the most incessant talkers we have convinced of in regard to his skill. He ever met with, for the clatter and rattle of exhibited to us several portraits which we the morning train, and were soon at home.

# The Last News from Europe.

THERE is no longer any doubt of the death of the Russian Czar Nicholas: The last accounts from Europe fully confirm the report of his death. A few days prerious to his death he succeeded in reconciling the differences existing between his two eldest sons, ALEXANDER and CONSTAN-TINE. At the time of the Czar's falling ill, the Prince ALEXANDER was the only son present in St. Petersburg, but Con-STANTINE arrived to see his father alive. In the presence of both of them the Czar made over to ALEXANDER the imperial American public to make his fame national. throne, and Constantine vowed his allegiance to the new Czar, In England the news of the Czar's death was received with unconcealed joy. Greater joy could not tract below, from the Montgomery (Ala.) have been exhibited even at the fall of Se vastopol. Some of the people desired the ringing of church bells. In Paris the police arrested the ballad singers for chanting Presso over the Bree's Lec."—An verses disrespectful to the dead Czar. From the tenor of the accounts by the Atlantic, persussion, sold a small lot of cotton, a few it might be inferred that the prospects of persussion, sold a small lot of cotton, a few days since, to a friend of ours who is an amateur desier in the staple. The bales bought were discovered, in a few days, pot fo correspond with the samples by which they had been purchased; but meantime cotton had advanced a quarter of a conference of the purchaser went lack to the said to be very popular in Russia, for his son of Abraham, Isasc and Jacob, and stationally account the death of Nicholas, the Australia of the purchase described that about the should have Advanced price. At the advanced price. At the advanced price. At the advanced price of the premptority; but a section of the advanced price of the properties and Paris urged that, as the situation of at the advanced price. At the advanced price of the premptority; but a section of the price of the properties are the death of Nicholas, the Augusta propositions. The Augusta propositions artillery which he was engaged in charging, we now changed, its was highly the

ia some way.

considerance of what has been and now is, encourage the hopes of peace. Hopes and taken from the vessel to which it is arranged. hold the island. The government had an-The mind, however, needs to be educa- fears are about equally balanced. The ed. It must necessarily undergo a process Austrian and Prussian circulars are pacific The first duel in this country occurred in of systematic training, before we can read in their tone, but the manifesto of ALEXAN- New England, in 1621. EDWARD DOTY sonably expect the result to be profitable, DER to his army is warlike. The first meet- and EDWARD LIESTER, both servants of either to ourselves or others. There must ing of the Vienna Conference took place Stephen Hopkins, were principals. The dom, and when that is the case, not unfre- sians were indurtriously adding to their for- four hours, without food or drink. quently talk nonsense. An association of tifications and had sunk two more ships in systematized ideas might be sought for with the harbor. It was reported that England ton Telegraph that a little daughter of Mr. as much success in the whirlwind which and Austria would be satisfied without the L. Walker, of that District, was accidentand so forth, as that mind where mental insists upon its demolition. It will not be on the 20th ult. culture is neglected, and the power of entirely unexpected news to us to hear before many months, that the allies have dis-It was either our fortune or misfortune solved partnership. This is about the only not long since to fall in with a "rare 'un" of way they can, with any protection to self respect, get out of the fight. Of course

> The European cotton market experienced a slight depression and decline. Breadstuffs slightly advanced. Money easier.

#### [FOR THE INDEPENDENT PRESS.] To Volunteers.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., March 28, 1855. Editors of the Press: For the last few days I have been receiving letters from many young men in your State and Georgia, proposing to go with me in the expedition, which was foreshadowed in an article in your paper of 22d instant. As these letters are very numerous and will probably increase in number, it will be impossible to answer them severally. I must, therefoer, say to them to be patient for a few weeks, and at the proper time I will call for them, if they are wanted. It is impossible to say at this time any more than I have published in your paper. I cannot hazard the difficulty that might be caused by a too early disclosure to unknown persons. Every person who goes will need \$150 in cash to prepare himself for the trip. None can go without that much.

The newspapers, especially those in New York, probably will publish a variety of rumors and guesses about this expedition. You need have no confidence at all in them. Nobody is entrusted with the secrets of this expedition but men of the highest known integrity, who would not disclose them. Those who wish to go are requested to send will sound the bugle for them.

be young, spirited, and respectable, while a the heart." great many are men of the very finest talent Two Men Shor .- An affray occurred, and highest rank in the country. No man near Four Mile Branch, in Ba any by leaving a doubt on the subject.

#### Yours respectfully, B. L. POSEY. Summary of News.

LOST CHILD .- A little son, five years old of PETER P. CHASTAIN, of Anderson District, strayed off one day week before last is in jail. and had not been heard of when the Gazette of last week was issued, although a most diligent search had been made.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.—The town of San dersville, Georgia, suffered distressingly from fire a few days ago. The loss is estimated at more than a hundred thousand dollars. Some families have been left houseless and penniless. The office of the Central Georgian was destroyed, but the editor announces that it will be replaced by the first of May, or soon after.

LAND WARRANTS .- The Charleston Courier says land warrants are in good demand ing 1775 pennyweights, taken from the Coin New York, and worth \$160 to \$165parts in proportion. When the new ones are issued under the act of the late Congress it is probable the price will decline somewhat. There will, however, be no sup ply from this source for some time.

A MEETING of the Board of Directors of this Company was held in Hamburg re- learn that twenty-five negroes, of all ages cently. We have heard very little, however, and sizes, were sold, averaging \$595 each. of its transactions. F. C. Anus, Esq., was

We look for a full report from the Pion and will then, be able to give a fuller

PREFERENCE BURNT. The Sta

by the British Parliament to look into the HAVEN'S FLUID REGISTER .- A novel in-The power of reflection is one of the conduct of the war, and declares useless it strument for the measurement of liquids nost interesting exercises of our intellectual is discontinued the two armies cannot act has been invented. It is attached to the being. To be capable of thought, is to together, though they may act for the same cask, and indicates the exact quantity possess an incomprehensible capability—the object. The English are to reconcile him drawn out at any one time. It will also admitted to the Cortes, and opposing the determine the quantity poured in; and be- emancipation of the slaves as calculated to Other and subsequent accounts, by the sides keeps an accurate weekly, monthly or cause the Cubans to seek an alliance with the present, and judge of the future by a arrival, on the 30d ult., of the Asia, do not yearly account of the quantities put in and

FIRST DUEL IN THE UNITED STATES .on the fifteenth, but Prince Gortschakoff weapons used were swords, and both were was not present. The allies had reopened wounded. For this transaction the compatics of the present age is too much talk and fire upon Sevastopol. The English commitny of Puritans ordered the combatants to when the earth suddenly caving caught and too little reflection. Men often talk at ran-

DROWNED .- We learn from the Lexinggathers in its march sticks, leaves, trash, destruction of Sevastopol, but Napoleon ly drowned, whilst crossing over a mill-dam,

> WHEAT CROP IN GEORGIA.-A writer, from Calhoun, Georgia, under date of March 27th, says the wheat crop was never more promising. Being yet unjointed, it has sus-

> LEGS MADE TO ORDER.-The New York Sun tells of having seen a man who lost both legs some years ago, walking the streets recently, with a very slight limping, upon a pair of artificial locomotives. We cannot question the possibility of the truth of the Sun's statement; for we have seen, in the patent office in Washington, models of artificial legs which seemed almost "second nature" itself. No wonder Yankee genius is progressive, when it can extend its strides at pleasure by determining the length of its own walkers!

> THE END OF A DUELLIST .- Col. ALEX. K. McClung, of Jackson, Miss., after having slain two or three of his countrymen upon the "field of honor," and sown the seeds of grief in many a heart, turned his hand upon himself lately and put an end to his own life. He was about forty-five years of age; a man of uncommon bravery, and fine talents. It would have been better for him, for his victims and for the country, if he had made this last his first act of vio-

> THREE AT ONCE.-Mrs. McALISTER, of Burke county, Georgia, recently gave birth to three fine children at one time. If a child is really a "well spring of pleasure in a house," Mr. McALISTER, the husband and father, may swim for a while now! It

MURDER OF A MINISTER.—An exchange on their names, and at the proper time I paper says: "There is a terrible story from Port Gibson, Miss. It seems that a mem-I regret that I cannot give more than the ber of the church there, who had been susslight adumbration already given of this pended, made application to be reinstated, project. I will say, however, that a man and all the members consented except Dr. who is fortunate enough to be received in- WOODWARD, the pastor. The excommunito its ranks may consider himself a lucky cated member became indignant, and while man. It will comprise the finest body of the trial was in progress, he rushed upon men ever brought together. They will all Rev. Dr. WOODWARD and stabbed him to

of equivocal character or courage will be trict, on a Sabbath morning recently, bereceived. I have no doubt that there will tween James M. Gurnsey, Duncan Freebe fighting to do, and I would not deceive MAN, and A. J. RANDALL. FREEMAN was killed and RANDALL dangerously wounded. It appears that the two latter went to the house of Gurnsey and undertook to drive him off, and he, in the act of retreating, drew a revolver and fired upon them. He

MURDER .- On the night of the 22d inst., says the Athens (Ga.) Banner, of 29th ult., THOMAS GUNNELS killed his wife, by beating her over the head with a light-wood knot. He lived in this county, four miles from Athens. The cause Rum, and long use of it at that. His wife is represented as an estimable woman, and has borne him seven children.

GEORGIA GOLD .- The Augusta Constitutionalist says: "We have had laid upon our table one of the most precious products of Georgia-a lump of Georgia gold weighlumbia Mine, in Columbia county. This product is the result of eight days working of five hands from surface refuse ore. The diggins are within forty miles of this city.

HIGH PRICES FOR NEGROES,-At the sale of the personal estate of the late Samuel Milwee, in Anderson district, this week, we Abbeville District.—Citation.

V HEREAS, Wm. C. Robertson has applied to me for Letters of Administration on all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Marths and Vicey Price, minors, late of the District aforesaid, deceased:

The Charleston Fair.—The fifth annual Fair of the South Carolina Institute will be held in Charleston, commencing on the 11th of April instant.

Abbeville District.—Citation.

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These are, therefore, to cite and administration of the South Carolina Institute will be held in Charleston, commencing on the twenty-first day of April next, to show annual fair of April instant.

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Loss of a Brussiso Are—The steamer took, with six bindred bales of collon, was

ic despatch to the Carolinian of 30th ult., says: The Spanish government had received confidential dispatches from Conchadeclaring that a Cuban deputy ought to be the United States. He thinks if the Cunounced to the Cortes that tranquillity had been restored in Cuba.

Accident.-On the 23d ult., a valuable negro man, belonging to the Messrs. Allen, contractors on the railroad, was killed while working on their contract. It seems that the boy in question, with others, were employed three quarters of an hour in digging him out. Another negro was badly crippled .- Pickens Courier.

BENEFICIAL RESULTS invaribly follow the administering of STABLER'S ANODYNE CHERRY EXPECTORANT in cases of Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma, Croup, and Throat and Lung complaints generally. It is not claimed that it will cure in all casse, but none have come to our knowledge where it failed to give relief; while at the same time, thousands of instances have occurred where its effects tained no injury from the late cold weather. have been so marked, that they have been wide ly noticed and commended. The DIARRIGEA CORDIAL, it is candidly believed is unequalled in diseases of the bowels, and its curative properties have been wonderfully experienced in numeruos cases. Therefore, you are advised to make trial of these "good medicines," shoul you or your family require their aid.

See descriptive pamphlets, to be had gratis of the agents. Price of each, only 50 cents per bottle, or six bottles for \$2.50.

E. H. STABLER & CO., Proprietors,

Wholesale Druggists, Baltimore
Sold by Dr. F. F. GARY, Cokesbury;
WARDLAW & LYON, Abbeville C. H.
HAVILAND, HARRAL & Co.,
Wholesale agents, Charleston

And by Merchants generally. March 9, 1855 44

#### MARRIED,

On Tuesday the 3d instant, by the Rev. H. H. Durant, Capt. J. F. BARNES to Miss E. SEPHINE MOSELY, all of this District.

#### CONSIGNEES.

The following persons have freight in the

Depot at Abbeville:—

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CT Haskell, H S Kerr, E Nelson, Christian & Deal, J W Childs, Weir & Miller, Rev TA Hoyt, Dr I Branch, R M Davis Esq. Mrs E McCaw, D W C Tillotson, W J Stephenson, W M Hughey, Mr Neel, R C Harkness, J M Perrin, Enright & Starr, E B & Go, J J Barnett, Joel Cunningham.— D. R. SONDLEY, Ag't.

### MARKETS.

ABBEVILLE, April 6.—We have been pleased to noticed, during the last week, large number of wagons thronging our streets, laden with cotton which our buyers have taken strikes us, however, such a number of "wells" these dry times is more than one man ought to claim! hold of freely at fair and full prices—several fine lots having been disposed of at 8 cents per pound. During the latter part of the week under review, however, the intelligence of a decline of \( \frac{1}{2} \)d. in Liverpool cooled the ardor of our merchants, and compelled them to lowe their figures a full 1 of a cent on all grades, bu We quote from 61 to 8 cents per pound, bu would remark that nothing but an extra finarticle would command the latter figure.

> COLUMBIA, April 5 .- Corrox .- Demand good and supply moderate. 350 bales changed hands at prices varying from 7 to 8½ cts. ex-

CHARLESTON, April 3 .- Corros. - The ransactions to-day reached upwards of 9,457 bales, at extremes of 7½ to 9½.

#### ABBEVILLE PRICE CURRENT, CORRECTED WEEKLY BY HENRY S. KERR. Grocer.

BACON—Hams,

Hog round 10 10 12 BUTTER, CANDLES-22 CHICKENS, COFFEE, per lb. per doz. per 100 lbs. GRAIN-Corn. per bushel per 1b. English, LARD MOLASSES-N. Orleans, per gal. West India, per keg 64 per lb. 7 per sack 2 50 SPIRITS-Whisky, per gal. 80

### DENTAL NOTICE. R. F. BOGAN begs leave to inform the

#### RAMEY'S HOTEL. prepaed to perform all operations in Dental

urgery.
Teeth, from one to a full set, supplied on the most improved style.

Filling without pain. Satisfaction will be given to all who favor him with their patron-April 6, 1855.

# The State of South Carolina,

CIGARS: CIGARS:

LOT of CIGARS, of superior brands, just received and for sale, at MOORE'S VARIETY STORE

Attention Well-Diggers! N Industrious and sober WELL-DIGGER can find employment by applying to the abscriber immediately. Address
W. W. PERRYMAN,
New Market, S. C.

March 30, 1855

# Piano Covers.

A LOT of the most elegant styles of PIANO COVERS can be seen gratis and bought cheap at the cheap cash store of CHAMBERS & MARSHALL Abbeville C. 11 April 2 Abbeville C. H., April 6

# Factory Thread.

Bales Factory Thread from the Batesvillo and Spartanburg Factories, for sale by
H. S. KERR. April 4, 1855.

White Lead and Linseed Oil. 3000 lbs. White Lead.
4 bbls. Linseed Oil. For sale by April 4, 1855. H. S. KERR.

# Swedes and English Iron. 10,000 Lbs. of Swedes and English Iron, for sale by

April 4, 1855. -48 Straw Cutters. FEW of Roggle's celebrated Straw Cut-FEW of Rogs. ters for sale by

#### April 4, 1855 English Dairy Cheese.

doz. Emrica Dairy Cheese, a choice article, just received, and for sale by 11. S. KERR.

Pitchforks, Shovels, Spades and Hoes. doz. long handled Pitchforks.

1 doz. long handled Spades.

1 w " Ame's Shovels. 6 " Elwell's No. 1 and 00 Weeding Hoes. For sale low by April 4, 1855. II. S. KERR.

# Sugar, Coffee and Molasses.

25 bags best RIO COFFEE. 6 " " Old Gov. JAVA. 6 blds. W. I. MOLASSES. 25 bbls. N. O.

For sale by April 5, 1854. II. S. KERR. The State of South Carolina,

1bbeville District .- In the Common Pleas Joseph N. Whitner, Attachment. vx. James G. Spe∈r.

WHEREAS, the Plaintiff did on the thir tieth day of March, instant, file his celaration against the Defendant, who (as it is aid) is absent from and without the limits of said) is absent from and without the attorney this State, and has neither wife nor attorney of known within the same, upon whom a copy of the said declaration might be served: It is therefore ordered, that the said Defendant do appear and plend to the said declaration, on or before the thirty-first day of March, which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, otherwise final and ab-solute judgment will then be given and award-

MATTHEW McDONALD, C. C. P. Clerk's Office, Abbeville District, } March 30, 1855.

#### HEAD QUARTERS. Eighth Regiment S. C. Militia.

MIE Lower and Upper Battalions composing the 8th Regiment of Infantry South Car-olina Militia, will parade for Drill and Review at their respective parade grounds, at 10 o'clock a. m., on the following days:

The Lower Battalion at Bradley's Old Field, on Wednesday, the 2d May next.

The Upper Battalion at McCaw's Old Field, on Saturday, the 5th of May.

Commissioned and non-commissioned officers

rill attend at each place the day previous for drill and instruction.

Major W. M. Rogers and Captain Joseph H. Cunningham will extend this order throughout

their respective commands,

appear in full uniform.

Also, Captains of Companies will order the

Also, Captains of Companies will order the pioneers of their respective Beats to appear at 10 o'clock a. m. on day, of drill.

By order of Lieut. Col. H. H. Harren.

J. G. WILLSON, Adj't. April 6, 1855

# If Margaret Morrison,

W HO Received, in the year 1818, a war-rant for a quarter section of land, as the heir of William Morrison, who was a soldier in the War of 1812, will address the un-dersigned at Due West, S. C., she may hear of something to her advantage.

WFSLEY A. BLACK,
General Claim Agent

General Claim Agent. March 53, 1855

# Land for the Million!

Land for the Million!

THE Act of Congress of March 8d, 1855, gives additional Bounty Land to all who have heretofore received land for military services. All who have served fourteen days, or received pay in money for their services, are entitled. We have, by five years' practice in claims against the U. & Government, become perfectly acquainted with all the minute rules and practice of that Department, and are well known to the Commissioner of Pensions. We will attend promptly to all claims entrusted to us. As three, hundred thousand persons are entitled under this law, there will be great delay in issuing them, and it is therefore highly lay in issuing them, and it is therefore highly important that application be made without

delay.

We will also pay each for the Warrants, or advance money upon them. B. L. & B. V. POSEY

# March 230 .... 46 Head Quarters,

SIXTH REGISTRANCE
ORDER No.

THE Upper and Lower Battalfors on the State Register of Infantry Sustained for Drill and at their respective parade grounds of their A. M., on the days following