## From the Edgefield Advertiser. OUR TRUE FOSITION.

It is thought by many of our "out-side advi sers" that South Carolina is on the brink of a political precipice; and that another step will plunge her into a gulph of raia. Many of he. inside' advisers also chime in with this predic tion, and lift up their hands in holy horror, at the enormity of our proposed action. One would suppose, from their gloomy auguries, that we lived under a reign of Terror, more revolting than the world had ever known, or else, in a period of semi-civilization, where the strength of numbers overnowered the force of Justice and over-shadowed the beauty of truth. A terrific picture of disaster, of poverty and of disgrace are held up by many as the familiar and fully recognized consequence of resistance to oppression. Even a few of the generous advocates of genuine Freedom, have been led to tremble before the dark coloring of these evil proshapcies, and, like timid mariners when scowling clouds portend to storm, are eagerly crying aloud to their public sentinels,

"Watchmen, tell us of the night, What the signs of promise are!"

As a reply to this anxious enquiry, we cannot perhaps express our sense of "the hope that is within us" more aptly, than by adopting the concluding lines of the stanza we have just quote l in part-

> "Mariner, o'er yon dizzy height See that brightly beaming star."

It is the star of South Carolina's destinywatch it with unerring devotion-as long as it sparkles on high, with its present brilliancy, hope for the best and believe that it will come; but when you perceive that its lustre is dimned and that it is sinking into the low, murky atmosphere, now far beneath it, then "flee to the mountains" or hide in the depths of some vast wilderness, if you would not witness the extinction of the only well-grounded hope of Sonthern Equality and Independence.

These are no high flown expressions, addressed only to the ear-we design them as appeals to the hearts and understandings of our citizens. They shadow forth a truth, which each one of us should be proud to realize--a truth, which our real friends at the South will gladly admit, and which our enemies, everywhere, cannot gainsay. And it is this : That South Carolina is of all the sisterhood, the most zealous and disinterested defender of our Goverument as it now is. And we conscienciously believe, that upon the unshrinking maintenance of this position on her part, hangs not only her honor but the weal of her people and the prosperity of the whole slave-holding country.

Let us, for a moment, review the general grounds, upon which we have assumed this position, and which indicate the paramount importance of maintaining it to the last.

not ad-We hold it to be a fact, which ne during determined upon the determined institution of slavery. This is their manifest

guise. We tarther believe that it can be suid in prices train, that the puliticians of the North, as a body, have given irrefragible proof their disposition to pander to the wishes of this fanatical faction. For it is undisputed by Southern men, that the late Compromise mensures were studiously represented to that faction as answering their designs, to all intents and purposes, if not, by special enactment, legisla-ting their will. The gilded pill, which was ad ministered to the South in the shape of the Fugitive Slave Bill, is already producing the nausea of disgust; for it is almost demonstrated, that this bill is futile and nugatory. It is, in a word, evident that the Abolitionists have gained by this system of measures, almo-t all that their heart can desire, while Southern slaveholders have lost every point in dispute, We maintain, moreover, that this inveterate enmity to Southern Slavery is not in feeling of sudden and mushroom growth-but one which dates back many years, and which has become ramified through every grade of the Northern society, high and low, law-abiding and lawcontemping, until it has become inseparable from their social and political character. It is a feeling that owes its existence as much to the rapacity of t'apitalists and the jealousy of white laborers, as to the frenzy of fanatics .-This ennity was progressing rapidly to the completion of its nefarious designs upon our institution of slavery once before, although by a different course from that now pur-ue.f. This progress was checked by the action of South Carolina in 1832. But the feeling of hostility only increased in ranchor with this defeat, while it gathered up additional cunning for a renewed attack. Seeing that the abolition party proper (for in one sense they are all so) was gaining strength with wonderful rapidity, our cool-headed opponents determined at once to conduct the game without seeming to participate w the strife. And even now with the fact of collusion proved by every promiaent measure of the compromise bills, they would have us blindly believe that they are influenced in ther deeds solely by friendship to the South and devotion to the Union. Thus have they added duplicity to malignity in their opposition thereby giving another evidence of their demoniac determination to annihilate our power and presperity. One other development there is to which we will briefly allude in this connexion. It is the manifest disposition of Northern politicians to run into consolidation. Here is another cause of distraction, which must tend most powerfully to complete the disruption of the few remaining ties, that hold together this confederacy of States. The creeds of the two great divisions of the Union, are, upon this point, utterly at tagonistic and as deeply rooted on either sid as long cherished convictions ever become. The right of peaceably dissolving the Coproud. partnership, by the single action of any one of the States; is hooted at by the highest authority of the Northern Unionists, as an absurdity. Can there be a doubt in any rational man's mind, as to the determination of the Northern wing of the American Union, to reduce the States, as States, to comparative insignificance? He is a dolf, who can believe otherwise. Almost every system of measures proposed in the

National Legislature, from that quarter, evince he taint of this doctrine.

If there be any truth in the views above taen, it is clear that the hopes of the Union are zone forever gone. Dissolution or Consolidaion is the only hope for the slaveholding States s to be found. By consolidation the triamph of Freesoilism and Abolition will be effectual. ly secured, the inevitable consequence of which nust be the overthrow and degradation of the slaveholding portion of the Confederacy.

Believing that, as parties now stand in the Union, we will be compelled to succumb before the overpowering numbers of our opponents, asisted as they are by vile deserters, from our own ranks, and feeling convinced that the odds against us is rapidly increasing, the free-men of the independent State of South Caroli-na have determined to leave the Union, which has ever brought them more of evil than of good and to hoist a new Flag for the world to wonder at. Upon it should be remember at the sov-ereignty of South Carolina to the shape of a goddess, tramphug under foot a torn parchment on which could be traced the words "violated compact," and holding aloft in her right hand a banner, upon which should be emblazoned. "The South and herinstitutions against a world arms!"

This is our true motto. The conflict is coming with speed and with certainty. Our oppressors have pursued and goaded us already beyond the point of reasonable endurance .-South Carolina has turned upon them and holds them at bay. Will the rest of the herd desert her to her fate. A brute that 'lacks of discourse reason' would teach them a noble lesson. But no-our Southern Sisters will not, by this ungenerous and unnatural conduct, call down upon themselves such eternal disgrace. Even should they not follow us out of the Union, they could not suffer us "to be victimized."-The thousand ties of identical interests and of consanguinity, forbid the horrible supposi-

tion. Victimized by the decree of our natural allies! Oppressed and ruined by the Govern ment of the United States, with their consent and sanction ! And that too, because we shall have dared to vindicate the rights of the South! Who can realize it? Where is the dastard from Virginia to Texas who will dare, in the face of Honor and of Justice, to say "Let South Carolina be ruined-she deserves that fate." For each one, using such craven language, there will be ten thousand who will say "Carolin's cause is our cause-we must and will sustain her.

It will appear from the above, that we regard the fall of our State, unassisted and alone, as a moral impossibility. At an early day we will take a view of her chances of escape, granting as true what we hold to be an absurdity, that she will be left to fight the battle of the South

GOV. MEANS. truthfal aotice of our nuch esteemed and unientis, who has just left Georgetown, where he had spent a few days among his friends:

Governor MEANS,-Ilis Excellency, Gov. Means, left here in the steamer Nina, on Satarday morning last for Charleston, apparently a most excellent health and spirits; giving us, however, but the portion of a single day, having spent some ten days or more with his triends Waccamaw: The visit of the Governor was one rather of pleasure than business, having postponed the military reviews and encampments in this section of the State, and there be ing little else of moment to claim, at this time, personal attention. From the short and limited time that we

were in the company of this distinguished functionary of our State, we are happy to say that of a runaway'scrape is said to be thus entirely his personal appearance was racher prepossessing than otherwise, and conveys the beautiful idea that because he wears the mantle of Chief Magistrate of the State, he is not bereft of that plain, republican, and unassuming demeanor which decorates, alike, the citizen and gentleman. He is rather above the ordinary size of men, about thirty-five or forty years of age, of strong intellect, and, as an officer in the field would seem to present a most commanding military appearance. But that which gratified us beyond all other considerations, is the fact, that he is the identical Governor now as when he wrote that spirited and highly eulogised inaugural -which breathed forth resistance rather than submission - that he would perform his part in the political drama, there is no apprenension, whatever, whenever the power is con fided to him, and the moment arrives. His Excollency believes and ferls with the large major tv of the sovereign people of his State, that it is infinitely more degrading to quietly and tamely submit to insult and oppression, because our sister States happened not to be so sensative on that subject, than to be defeated by the overpowering arm of the General Government -the last of which he has no fears-and that the Convention, whenever it meets, will carry

By the law of 1850, the mileage of California members is limited to the nearest route within the United States. The House, notwithstanding, have allowed mileage for the late session by the Panama route. Senator Gwin submitted his case to the judiciary committee, and It is understood they will report against the Panama route, and against constructive mileage for the extra session; otherwise, Gwin would be entitled to eleven thousand dollars mileage, in all, since December.

A Conundrum for Lovers .-- Why is a lover opping the question, like a tailor running a not iron over a suit of clothes ? Because he is pressing a suit.

The lady whose lover fainted away when he opped the question, and was revived by opo deldoc, was twitted of it : "Yes," she replied with a quiet smile, "I believe I must confirm the story, and I have a fancy," she added thoughtfully, "that timidity in a lover is in general a sign of innocence; and I cannot help thinking that when a man is fluent in fove making, either his heart is not in it, or he has had too much experience in the art !"

Railway Accidents .--- By a return made to the English Legislature, we find a statement made of accidents which had occurred in England, Ireland, and Scotland for a half year. Ninety persons had been killed ; of these thirteen died from causes which the parties deceased could not have averted. Fifty seven had died from misconduct or carelessness on the part of the deceased themselves. Ninety-nine had also been wounded, and the whole number of passengers had been, during the half year, no fewer than 26,330,492 persons. These facts illustrate very fully the safety of this mode of travelling.

Illuess of Mr. Webster .- A telegraphic depatch, received from Philadelphia yesterday, nforms us that Mr. Webster was ill at the Columbia House, in that city; and that he proposed to leave for Marshfield on Saturday, (tomorrow,) if sufficently recovered .- Washington Republic. April 4.

MARRIED .- In this County on the 20th March, by S. A. Davis, Esq., Mr. Win. E. R. Wait, soldier in the Mexican War, to Mrs. Sarah J. Bales, of Lancaster, S. C.

Mr. Wait couldn't wait any longer, so he waited on the parson and the parson joined under the weighty instructions of the law, the above parties; giving to the Bales what the buyers of Cotton do not always agree to-a pretty considerable weight. Being the third time that Mr. Wait has been weighed in the matrimonial balances, we presume he has not been found wanting. - Hornels' Nest.

The American says the whigs never erect a would like want and therefore have more sustain every interest of every section .- Clarks ville Chronicle.

God knows that federal whig construction of the Constitution makes it broad enough to hold everything. We learned this long ago. As the whigs use it, it is an Indian rubber platform, which expands or contracts to suit the wishes of the party .- Nushhille American.

New Swingle- Tree for Carriages .- A citizen of Norfolk, Va., Mr. James Adams, has recently invented a safety spring swingle-tree, so arranged that both traces can be slipped off at the will of the driver and the horse released instantaneously from the vehicle. The danger obviated-an anuquacement which will doubtless be a welcome one to those who dislike an unexpected race, in which they are unwilling actors, especially the more inexperienced who are unable to see any fun in such kind of adventures.

OT Man's happiness is said to hang upon a thread that is never at hand to sew on the shirtbutton that is always off.

A child is beautifully said to be God's problem, waiting man's solution.



The Africa which has arrived from Liverpool, brings dates up to the 28th ultimo. Cotton had advanced fully 1.8th since the last news. The sales of the week are reported at 48,000 bales; of which 15,000 were taken by speculators, and 2,000 by exporters.

Our Market.

Cotton is selling from 84 to 114. Corn is worth from 85 to 90 cents out of waggons. Fodler will bring \$1.771. Butter, chickens, &c., are scarce and will bring almost any price, and har I to get at that we advise our friends to come along to myrket.



Has again become unruly, and is out of its banks. On yesterday (Thursday) the water had nearly covered the low grounds, and was considered within three or four feet of the last Freshet in height. We are pleased to hear that it is falling, and there is not much probability that the Rail Road across the swamp will be interfered with.

D' The proceedings of the Southern Rights As sociation of Lancaster District shall appear in onr next

The Communication from Capt. McIlwain. in reply to the correspondent of the Charleston Sun. shall have place in our columns at the earliest possible moment. A list of the names of the "old men and boys" will be printed, and "a Carolinian" will have the satisfaction of being told by Capt. McIlwain, that his statement is a tissue of untruthe, and unqualified falsehoods. Our own opinion is, however, that too much importance has already been attached to this irresponsible scribbler.

Southern Home Journal. We have received the Prospectus of the Southern Home Journal of Education and Domestic Industry, which is proposed to be published in Charleston, S. C., by Edwin Heriot E-q.

The publication of this Paper is designed to be a batter neutronethan the Constitution aready p: Monthly, and will embrace many topics of instood by appending the following extracts from the advertisement of the Editor.

To advocate, strictly and exclusively, Southern Education-the encouragement of our own Literary Institutions, and the publication of Southern School Books, edited, priated and circulated in the Southern States -to bring into prominent notice all literary undertakings, Books and Periodicals, Colleges and Schools, at the South-to discourage Northern agents, and their School Books, and expose, in all their deformity and duplicity, the permisionas doctrines of Abolition and hostility to the Soath, which they have so long been permitted to instil into the minds of our children - will be the constant

ened and liberal public; feeling assured that for, every dollar thus invested by subscribers for a good Southern Journal, there will be no cause of regret. Secure SOUTHERN INDEPENDENCE by encouraging Southern ENTERPRISE.

Municipal Election.

The following gentlemen were elected day last, Intendant and Wardens of C the following votes: A. H. Gladden, for Intendant, received, R. D. Senn, for Warden G. Monteith Wm. Glaze - - - - -A. S. Johnston James S. Boatwright Wm. Maybin

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Plank Roads.

There are in this State (says Buffalo rier) 19 plank roads, of the aggregate let miles which cost \$3,860,298, or an a per mile of \$1,533. The stock in the all been subscribed for by individual handsome dividends. The value of and on the line of these improvements has n terially ad vanced-in some instances from \$51 to \$10 p acre. In Canada there are 449 miles of road ope at a cost of \$773,500, or an average of \$1,7 mile.

We learn (says the Chester Paint Standard) that the election held on he 27th in the 6th Brigade (Fairfield and Chister) to he vacancy occasioned by the regignation vigadier General Means, has regulted in a the twen Captains H. K. Aiken, and J. N. Shedd

DhD.-Ou Sunday the 7th inst., in the faith the Gapel, and in the sweet seren y and peed of mind which are the promised for its of this d vine priniple, Mrs. CHARLOTTE ELLES CHESHU widow of the late John Chesnut Esqr., aged years.

years. Through long and painful illness, she for sustained an cheered by an unfaltering tru in God her Savior. Although in 's righteous Providence, ari, some nights an lays were appointed unter such was her nan al fortitude, and such pow-er of divine grace, her heart-models the such was her hand fortitude, and such Pow-er of divine grace, her heart-podes the most profound submission and characteristic cence in the will of Gd, that selds sigh of infirmity or pin escape less did she indulge th least feeling that chas-tened her. tened her.

tened her. "I know O Lord that of vry for diess Thou dost correct me," was the same in the heat and the expressive language differmple, us

der suffering. Nor was this a new type of orer, develo ed in her last illness. Fore, years a had been a professed follower Flaviour, an during all this period she had any endeavo ed by Divine assistance to wall by other high vocation.

In the various relations of the lepartmens of duty which she was called "she beam-As a wife-a mother-a dware mistree, her example shone with a wife which will leave a deep and lasting in the on all com-nected with her in these re d relations on

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And long will the painful void, created by her death, be deeply filt and mourned by all associated with her in these familiar and endearing scenes. Sainted spiri! may thy mantle fall on those who survive thee, and the remembrance of thy christian virtues lead them to seek the same supplies of grace and strength from on High, that they may imitate thy example, and ultimately share thy reward.

"Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my latter end be like his."

DR. WISTAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY It was known many years ago that the wild cherry tree of this climate possessed valuable modical projection. In-deed, this fact was known to the abariginos, and a decor-tion of the leaves r bark of this tree has ever been regarded by their physicians as one of the most effectual remains in many dicases. This fact, several years since, arrested the attention of Dr. Wistar, a highly respectable practi-tioner of Virginia. He investigated with care, the healing properties of the wild cherry—tested in efforts when ad-ministered alone, and when in combination with other remedial agent. He found that its natural virtues might be availy improved and by combining it with ingredients, whose properties were well proved and geography progra-red, a medicine was produced which co astitutes a remedy of great value in polynograp affections and discuss of the chest and threat—discuss which are proversibly preva-lent in our cities and large towing, and of en programs swelling the bills of mortality to a much greater effect than swelling the bills of mortality to a much greater extent than is the case with most others, we had almost said all other classes of discases: EXAMINE CLOSELY BEFORE PURCITASING. The gennin Balsam is put up in bottles, with the words "DR. WISTAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY." Phila." blown in the glass,—each bottle bearing a label on the front, with the signature of H. WISTAR, M. D. right secured 1844, on which will always appear the wris-ten signature of "1. BUTTN." Any one counterfacting the label or wrapper, or forging the signature of the Gen-eral Agent, will be punshed with the utmost rigor of the law. H. WISTAR, M. D. eral Agent, will be pulsione with the BUTTS on the wrapper, law. None genuine unless signed I. BUTTS on the wrapper, for sale in Camden at McK AINS' Brug Store. Wholesale by P. M. COHEN & Co., Charleston, S.-C., and by Drug-gists generally throughout the State.

out the high and solemn behests of the people. The change of public feeling, we learn is rapidly taking place, and soon there will be one common voice for secession, from the mountains to the seaboard. We think the time will come, too, when that significant minority of rwo in our own district will fall even below that point - and when Greenville will expange from her limits her late false and extraordinary notions of what constitutes a Southern Patriot.

"The inscription on the block of granite presented by Virginia to the National Washngton Monument, is, 'Virginia who gave Washington to America, gives this granite for his uonument.

It is very fortunate that the inscription refers an age of which a Virginian may well be

Beauliful Metaphor .- The comparison of he journey of life to a transit across a desert, is very felicitously expressed in the following lines from Charles Wesley:

"Here in the body pent,

Absent from Heaven I roam; Yet nightly pitch my moveing tent A day's march nearer home."

Steam Fuctory at Laurens .- It may not be known to our readers at a distance that our village is rapidly advancing in every business that is calcula ed to make a village prosperous. -Besides the many large and handsome general assortment stores, which are surpassed by none in the upper part of the State, apothecaries', shoemakers', saddle and harnes, tin, and jewel ry shops, &c. - in fact everything needful -our industrious and enterprising townsman, Mr. Edward Hix, coachmaker, having purchased the necessary material and machinery, is erecting buildings to put up a steam factory, on the lot below Mr. Todd's store, consisting of a saw mill, grist mill, planing and morticing machine, and a variety of other smaller machines; and from Mr. Hix's well-known energy and perseverence, it will not be long before the dark smoke of the steam horse will be peering aloft over our hitherto quiet little village-the pioncer to her future prosperity and importance. -Laurensville Herald.

We have been informed hy one of the members of our Bar, that Duke Rabon has been acquitted. This is most grateful intelligence; and now we most sincerely hope and pray, that our good and amiable Governor will pardon the other two. We may be wrong; but we cannot help thinking that their present miserable fate is owing to undue excitement, on the part of the witnesses and the jury that tried the man who wontonly and in cold blood commits a murder; nor on the other hand, would with the fatal deed .- Winyaw Observer.

THE LAW .- There is room enough above, but they are awfully crowded down below," is said to have been Mr. Webster's reply to one who asked whether he had better study law.

Improvements .- The Winnsboro' Register learns that it is contemplated to build a plank road from Winnsboro to a point on Broad River, in the north-western section of Fairfield District. If the men who live in that portion of and excellent gentleman. We commend him, the District say "build," it will be done.

and unceasing aim of this department of the work ; and, for this purpose, the Editor, with the assistance of ready contributors, has abandant facilities at hand. While awarding all due merit to other systems of education, it will be the aim of this Journal to promote, more especially, those which are most decidedly practical, and best adapted to the active business of life. Essays on all subjects connected with Education-Reviews of all School Books and literary works published at the South-Reports of Teachers, Conventions, or Extracts from them-of College and School Exhibitions, and Addresses before Literary Societies--and of the progress of Law, Medical, Military and Free Schools at the South--will constitute the main features of this division of the work.

The INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT will embrace extended notices of the progress of the Mechanic Arts and Manufactures, as well as all other brauches of industry-of Factories and Workshops, for the production of every article of domestic consumption or use, among us-and of new inventions, improvements, models, and designs in Mechanism and the Fine Arts-bring ing into notice the names, qualifications and localities of our own Mechanics and Amateurs : their achievements, and rewards of merit received at public exhibitions. It will also contain Essays on all topics connected with these matters; Reports of Southern Industrial Institutes, and statistical facts relating to their pro-

Each number of the HOME JOURNAL will contain 48 pages, octavo, bi-monthly, and furnished to subscribers and others at \$2 per annum, or 10 copies for \$15-payable at the end of the volume, or, in proportion, on the delivery of numbers, 18 3-4 cents, and less by the them. We would not say a word in behalf of quantity. The insertion of full notices of new enterprises, &c., in each number, will make it the interest of those concerned in them to sewe hang a party, where there is the slightest cure as many copies as possible, for circulation among their friends and patrons.

Beyond this, "THE HOME JOURNAL" will make no promises or pretensions. Not entering the lists for competition with any, and standing in the way of none, its legitimate sphere and aim will be to promote the interests of all-recognizing no party, in education or politics, but the party of the South, it will seek to preserve the Union of the South, by developing her resources and stimulating the industry of her people.

and his enterprise to the patronage of an enlight-

From the Louisville Democrat. From the Louisville Democrat. The columns of the press throughout the country a be filed with notices of cures and specifics for all d that flesh is heir to, that one scarcely knows wha in case of disease, for fear that in using one madici other and better may be overlooked. But from markable cures, higher order, and vast amount of tea daily brought under our pressul points of the synth daily brought under our personal notice, of the extrao ry efficacy of Dr. Roger's Liverwort and Tar, we are ry efficacy of Dr. Roger's Liverwort and Tar, we are com-pelled to regard the evidence of our senses, and confident ly state that for Couglis and Colis, and that hydra headed monster Cocsumption, we think this peraration a safe, speedy, and certain cure. At all events we may are done friends—try it. It can be obtained at McKaine Drag Store, Camden, S. C., and if it does not help them, nothing will. See advertisement in another column.

## CAMDEN PRICES CURRENT.

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L? We are authorized to anno JOHN INGRAM, as a candidate for Sheriff of Kershaw District at the ensuing election, April 11 29 1. .....