

Miscellaneous.

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1842.



FOR PRESIDENT: JOHN C. CALHOUN. Not subject to the action of any Convention.

FOR CONGRESS: Col. WHITFIELD BROOKS.

"Piney Woods," in reply to the Hamburg Journal, has been received and shall appear in our next.

We acknowledge the receipt of a number of Congressional Documents and Newspapers, from the Hon. F. W. Pickens.

On Sunday morning last, Mr. Alexander Nixon, who shot Samuel Tompkins, Esq., on the 2nd ult. voluntarily surrendered himself up to Wm. Holmes, Esq., who delivered him into the hands of the Sheriff...

The Weather.—Until Sunday night last the weather had all the appearance of Spring, but during that night a change took place...

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Joseph P. Reed, Esq., has been appointed by his Honor Judge Gilchrist, Commissioner of Bankruptcy for Pendleton District.

At an election held in Abbeville District, on the 9th and 10th ult., Johnson Remsey, Esq., was elected Sheriff, and John F. Livingston, Clerk of the Court.

By the latest accounts from N. Orleans, it appears that a report was current in that city, that the Texian force under the command of General Semmerville, who had crossed the Rio Grande, had been captured by a body of Mexicans...

Fires.—This District has been more unfortunate this season in the destruction of property by fire, than ever recorded by the oldest inhabitants...

Counterfeit Change Bills.—The Columbia (Ga.) Times states, that a large amount of 50 cents change bills, purporting to be issues of the Bank of the State of South Carolina have been thrown into circulation in that town...

Indiana.—The Democratic State Convention of Indiana, have nominated James Whitcomb, Esq., as their candidate for Governor of the State, at the coming election.

Connecticut.—The Whig Convention for nominating State Officers, to be supported at the ensuing elections in April next, have nominated Roger S. Baldwin, for Governor, and Reuben Booth for Lieut. Governor.

Kentucky.—Mr. Crittenden, has been as we anticipated, elected U. S. Senator, for that State, for six years from the 4th day of March next.

U. S. Stock.—The Charleston Mercury of the 28th ult. says:—"United States 6 per cent Stock, redeemable in 20 years from the 1st instant, transferable only on the Register's Books with coupons for semi-annual interest payable as may be designated at Charleston, at the Treasury or at New York, on the 1st day of January and July, will be issued in sums of \$1600, \$3000, \$5000 and \$10,000..."

Deposits of sums for these amounts made at the South Western Rail Road Bank in this city, to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, will bear interest from the date of the deposit and the certificate of stock will be forwarded as soon as the certificate of deposit is received at Washington.

Military Academies.—According to the published regulations of the Academies, the following will be the number of Beneficiaries and Pay Cadets, to which each District will be entitled for the present year:

Table with 3 columns: District, P. B., P. B. Lists districts like Abbeville, Anderson, Beaufort, etc.

The Districts not enumerated in the above list, together with Kershaw, Edgefield, Colleton, Barnwell, Newberry, Lexington, Beaufort, Chesterfield, Marlborough, and York, have already one representative at the Arsenal Academy.

Congress.—The correspondent of the Charleston Courier, under date of 21st ult., says:—"The rumor that Mr. Spencer will retire from the War Department and take a foreign mission, on account of his recent domestic affliction, is certainly quite incorrect, and of course, all the speculations of a new cabinet arrangement founded upon it falls to the ground..."

There is no reason whatever to believe that there will be any re-organization of the cabinet during Mr. Tyler's term. The present heads of department will remain until Mr. Tyler's administration closes.

Many of the diplomats now abroad are about to be recalled, or voluntarily to ask leave to return home. Some of them took their appointment with the understanding that they would remain but two years.

It is rumored that Mr. Wise will have one of the full missions, but that is to be doubted. It is more probable that he will come back to Congress.

The Senate did not sit to-day. The resolutions of the Legislature of S. Carolina on the subject of the new tariff act for the protection of manufactures by discriminating duties, and denouncing the same as a gross usurpation of power not granted by the Constitution and which ought to be resisted, were presented, in the House, by Mr. Campbell, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Botts asked leave to submit a resolution calling for the correspondence in relation to the capture of Monterey, in California, by Commodore Ap Catesby Jones. Mr. Wise stated that no correspondence had been received from Com. Jones, and hoped the resolution would lie over.

Mr. Botts was induced, he said, to offer the resolution by the rumor that Commodore Jones has been recalled.

Mr. Wise stated that it was a mere rumor. It had been reported also that Capt. Foxhall O. Parker had been appointed to succeed him; but he saw Capt. Parker to-day, and was told by him that no step would be taken until Commodore Jones' despatches had been received.

The same correspondent under date of the 22d ult., says:—"The judgment of the Court of Inquiry in the Somers' mutiny case is before the Secretary of the Navy. Its tenor has not been divulged, but there is no doubt that it is an honorable acquittal. Previous to the receipt of the decision of the Court, however, the Secretary of the Navy, at the request of Commander Mackenzie, had ordered a Court Martial upon the case. Capt. Mackenzie has asked a jury of his peers—a tribunal which well understands the nature of the case, and is qualified to weigh the evidence upon which its merits depend. A civil tribunal cannot be competent to try such a question. They could not judge of the bearing of the facts, and would be necessarily ignorant of many things which ought to enter into their consideration. Time will thus be afforded for the popular excitement, naturally produced by the unheard of tragedy, to subside; and the final verdict of the Court Martial will be universally acquiesced in."

The Committee of Foreign Relations will soon recommend a mission to China, and a liberal provision for its expenses. Some person of high consideration and intelligence will be selected for it.

We have, as yet, no nomination for the vacant mission to France. No one has been named for it—but I will venture to guess that Mr. Wise will have it. I think it probable that, after the close of the present session, Mr. Wise will announce his determination to retire from Congress; and that the President will then appoint him Ambassador Plenipotentiary and Minister Extraordinary to France.

I would not be surprised if Mr. Cushing should be sent to China. He is eminently well qualified for the service. Reason also assigns a foreign mission to Mr. Proffitt, and another to Mr. W. W. Irving. Thus, the President's interests will be well "guarded" abroad, whatever may happen at home.

COMMITTEE ON VACANT OFFICES. In House of Representatives, Dec. 20, 1842. The Committee on Vacant Offices, to whom were referred sundry Resolutions, beg leave to submit the following Report, viz: Resolved, That the following persons be and are hereby appointed Clerks, Commissioners to approve Securities, Commissioners of Free Schools, Commissioners of Public Buildings, Escheators, and Commissioners of Lots:

For Pickens District.—Magistrates: Thomas W. Harbin, Thomas J. Humphreys, G. W. McDow, and Edward Moore. Commissioners of Free Schools: Wm. M. Jones, J. L. Kennedy, Jos. Grisham, W. L. Keith, F. N. Gorvin, Samuel Moseley, and Thomas G. Boggs.

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For Edgefield District.—Magistrates: Mathew Gray, Wm. J. Wightman, John C. Allen, Daniel Routree, and A. L. Nicholson. Coroner: Daniel Holland, in place of George Addison, resigned.

For Newberry District.—Magistrates: Samuel Bowers, Wm. K. Linsey, Joo. W. Epps, Samuel A. Morgan, A. J. Griffin, James N. Crossan, Nicholas Sligh and Daniel Moore.

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Death of T. W. White.—The Richmond Courier says:—"We are pained to announce the death of Mr. T. W. White, Editor of the Southern Literary Messenger. He died yesterday morning. He was one of the most surprising and useful men of his day. He had done great service in the cause of Southern Literature and the cause of the political Literature of the United States, and his death creates a blank which cannot soon be filled. This event is deeply deplored, as well on this score as on account of his personal relations and the attachment so generally felt for the man. He was a warm friend, a generous hearted, human and valued citizen. His relation as head of an interesting firm, was not the least imposing in which he should be regarded, and the manner in which it was filled was the most beautiful character in his life."

Massachusetts Legislature.—No business of importance was transacted yesterday in either house, farther than to fix upon this day for the election of Secretary of State, Treasurer and Receiver General, and for the qualifying of the Councilors elect.

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