R. F. W. Allston presiding.

Mr. Moses from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported unfavorably on a bill to alter and amend the tenth section of the first article of the Constitution of South Carolina. The bill provides for the meeting of the Legislature on the fourth Monday in November, annually, except that in 1856, and every fourth year thereafter it sitall meet on the first Monday in the same month to meet the requisition of the Act of Congress, prescribing a uniform day for election of Electors of President and Vice President.

Mr. Townsend moved that the Senate take a recess for the purpose of attending the commencement exercises of the College, and also the Quinquennial Address before the Class graduated in 1848, by W. R. Taber, Jr .- car-

At half-pasr 2 P. M. the Senate was again called to order and proceeded to business. Pursuant to notice, the following Bills were introduced, received a first reading, and were re-

ferred to appropriate Committees. By Mr. DeTreville, "a Bill to alter the law in relation to the peremptory challenge of Jurors," reducing the number to eight.

Also "a Bill to repeal the Proviso to the first section of an act entitled an act relating to the survey of the coast of South Carolina, under the authority of the United States."

At 3. P. M., the Senate adjourned to meet tomorrow at 12 M. IN THE HOUSE .- At 9 o'clock, the House was called to order, the Speaker in the Chair, and after some delay, caused by the absence of a quo-

Several Bills from the Senate were read. A Bill to reduce the salary of Adjutant and Inspector General to \$1,500. A Bill to amend the law in relation to Sheriffs, requiring the Sheriffs to make a return at each

Court of the arrests and levies he has made during the term. The Senate and House then joined in procession to the College Chapel, and at a quarter of 3 o'clock, returned.

A few petitions were offerred and returned. On the call for reports of Committees, Mr. Charles made several reports from the Commit-

tee on Public Buildings;
A favorable report on a petition concerning the Jail of Abbeville; A fivorable report in relation to the Jail of

Lexington. Mr. Mitchell from the Judiciary Committee made a report on the question of the boundary between Georgia and South Carolina, and recommended that the right be tested in the Su-

preme Court at Washington. Mr. Middleton from the Committee of Ways and Means made unfavorable reports on the bills seeking new charters for the State Bank, Bank of South Carolina, Bank of Charleston, and Merchants Bank of Cheraw, the Committee having provided for these Banks in the Bill defining the principles on which Joint Stock Banks may be incorporated.

On the call for Bills, Motions, or Resolutions-Mr. Cash, pursuant to notice, introduced a Bill to authorize the union of the Cheraw and Anson

Plankroad Companies.

And Mr. Hearst a Bill to render indictable, malicious trespasses on real or personal proper-

Mr. Owens introduced the following Resolutions, which were made the special order for Thursday next, at 1 o'clock.

Whereas, it is a custom sanctioned in its observance by the practice of ages, and commanded by the wisest considerations of State and individual gratitude, to perpetuate in the most enduring manner, the memory of distinguished patriots and great public benefactors: And whereas, the State of South Carolina, while rejoicing as the mother of many sons whose memories she will not willingly let die, was pre-eminently honored by the illustrious services and self-denying patriotism of John C. Calhoun, and is called upon not only by the strongest appeals of justice and duly decorridor

Resolved, That the sum of \$30,000 be placed at the disposal of his Excellency the Governor, for the erection of a monument in the Town of Columbia, opposite to the Capitol, to the memory of John C. Calhoun.

Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be requested to issue his proclamation, calling upon the people of this State to meet in the several districts, and contribute and forward to him him, by 1st May next, such voluntary contributions as they may feel disposed to make, in fur-therance of the object herein contemplated. The House on motion of Mr. Clarke, was adjourned at ten minutes past 3 o'elock.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1853. IN SENATE .-- The Senate met. Petitions were presented by Messrs. Adams, Moorman, Zimmerman, Marshall, DeTreville, Porter, Evins,

Mr. J. J. Wilson introduced a bill to declare certain descriptions of streams navigable. Re-

Mr. Porter introduced a bill to amend the charter of the Florida Steam Packet Company. Referred: And gave notice of intention to report a bill

authorizing aid to the Blue Ridge Railroad. A number of reports were made from Committees and laid over. The following bills were passed:

For extending the Spartanburg Railroad. To Amend the law relating to deeds, wills, &c. To amend the charter of the Lancaster Rail

road Company.
To incorporate the South Carolina Building and Savings Institution. To charter the Charleston and Savannah Rail-

road Company. IN THE House.—The House met. Among the petitions presented was one by Mr. Hampton, from W. W. Purse, for work done in the

House of Representatives. Referred. On motion of Mr. Poppenheim, the bill in rela-tion to the election of electors of President and Vice President was taken up; and on motion of Mr. McCrady, it was made the order of the day

for to-morrow. On motion of Mr. Mullens, the bill to establish Boards of Direction for common schools, and nate against any body who dares come between him for other purposes was taken up. The bill underwent some amendments.

Mr. Middleton moved to strike out all after the enacting clause, and to insert provisions for the usual appropriations, to be distributed as

heretofore, &c. On this Bill, Mr. Tucker rose, and delivered a very foreible and praiseworthy speech, which we regret we are at present unable to lay before

our readers. Quite a brisk debate then sprung up, on a bill introduced by Mr. Tillinghast, to repeal the prohibiting the circulation of Bank Bills of small

denominations from circulating in this State. This Bill, however, passed the House. The House then adjourned.

Wednesday, December 7, 1853.

petitions were presented. The following bills were introduced:

By Mr. Adams to authorize the South Carolina Railroad Company, to construct a certain bridge over the Wateree river. By Mr. Brockman to amend the charter of the

Greenville and Columbia Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

By Mr. Calhoun to authorize the Laurens

Railroad Company to extend its road to the North Carolina line. Mr. Chesnut, from the committee to whem the subject had been referred, reported a substitute for the bill incorporating the Columbia and

Hamburg Railroad Company. Laid over. The following bills were passed: To incorporate the South Carolina Gas Com-

pany, of Charleston. To amend the charter of Firemen's Insurance Company of Charleston. To amend the charter of the State Bank

To amend the charter of the Bank of the State of South Carolina. IN THE HOUSE.—The House met. Among petitions presented, was one by Mr. Maybin, from the 23d Regiment, asking the appropriation of two acres of land for the purposes of a general parade ground; which was appropriately re-

On motion the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, (Mr. B. J. Johnson in the chair.) and took up the bills providing for the election of electors of President and Vice President of the United States.

Mr. McCrady, as author of one of the bills.

explained its provisions. The first inquiry, he thought, was whether any change was necessary; and, secondly, what course ought to be adopted. Some persons regard the present system as op-posed to the Constitution of the United States; but he thought otherwise. That instrument, he thought, left the matter free. He denied that the oresent mode was strictly an election by the Legslature. As a matter of convenience the members of the Legislature had been designated t cast the vote of the State, to be given by such of them as shall assemble for that purpose-not as a Legislature, but simply as agents of the people. The present practice, from its inconvenience and expensiveness, he regards as objectionable. He desired to give the people a direct vote in the choice of electors. He was opposed to multiplying popular elections, as proposed in some of the bills presented, and he therefore provided for choosing electors at the time of voting for members of the Legislature. He was opposed to the arbitrary control of a mere numerical majority, and his plan was intended to obviate such a result.

Mr. Dantzler moved the committee rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again.

After some suggestions from Messrs. B. F.
Perry, Poppenheim. Middleton, Tillinghast, Torre, and McGowan, the committee rose, asked that the several bills be printed, and for privilege to

sit again at 2 o'clock to-morrow.

The Speaker having resumed the chair, reports from committees were called for, and a number were made, read, and laid over. Among them was a report, by Mr. Sullivan, from the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred so much of the Governor's annual message as relates to that subject, accompanied by a bill relative to the Free School system, and a resolution hat 5.000 extra copies of Professor Thornwell's eport on Education be printed; which were hade the special order of the day for Friday

On motion of Mr. Seigling, the bill relative to recording of marriages and births was made the rder of the day for Monday next.

Adjourned to 12 o'clock to-morrow THURSDAY, December 8, 1853. H. M. McIver has been elected Solicitor of the Eastern Circuit, vice Hanna deceased. The Calhoun Monument resolutions have been

aid upon the table. The committee for nominating President and Directors for the Bank of the State has been ap-The election of Judge, vice Frost, resigned,

will take place on Saturday.

The Greenville Rifle Battallion will be the neans of organizing Rifle Volunteer Companies The Greenville and Columbia Rail Road is

FRIDAY, December 9, 10 P. M. J. D. Ashmore, Esq., Representative from Claremont, has been elected Comptroller-General vice J. B. McCully, Esq., whose term of office

Mr. O. M. Dantzler, of St. Matthews Parish elivered in the House on able argument in favor of the Hon. L. M. Keitt's Bill on the Electoral question. The debate was adjourned until Mon-

In the Senate the Joint Stock Bank Bill failed.

as expired.

The Advertiser.

ARTHUR SIMKINS, EDITOR. EDGEFIELD, S. C.

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 14, 1853.

2 We are indebted to our Representatives, Dr. MOBLEY, and Maj. CARWILE, for valuable pamphlets Acknowledgment.

gressman, Hon. P. S. BROOKS, for a copy of the President's message.

An Alteration. ATTENTION is asked to the advertisement of John F. TALBERT, Adm'or of John Anderson dec'd. His sale will occur on the 4th instead of the 2nd day

of January next. Gray Brothers. WITHIN the last several years the GRAYS have een doing a rushing business. The consequence is

sustained.
The good and true men of the country should now. they are now able to expose for sale a large and magif ever, watch well the baneful sources of evil nificent variety of Dry Goods. Every body knows which exist in our Federal system. As one of the where their store upon Broad Street, Augusta, Ga., is. An advertisement from this enterprising firm is or all right-minded citizens the strenuous support of an another column of this week's issue: Administration which has already given noble ernest Two Competitors Only. of its determination to use all its power for the achievement of that righteous end. It is gratifying to As yet we have received but two responses to our know that there now exists in South Carolina such

call upon the "poets of Edgefield" for the best Carrier's Address. They are both from old and esteemed entributors to the Advertiser, and both good. But we shall decide between them and that right fairly. Meanwhile, the door is open for others. Where's Asu-MAN, with his smooth quill ! and our dear incognita, AGRATA?" We invoke you from your hiding places.

Turnips Extraordinary. WE are much obliged to Mrs. PHILLIPS, of this District, for those superb turnips she was kind enough to send us a little while back. One or two of our coimporaries have been exhibiting their figures in this epartment of the esculents; but we very modestly believe we can beat them all. The largest of ours weighed six pounds and a half. What say the turnip growers now !

Congressional. Our readers are aware that both branches of the National Legislature have assembled, and that LINN Boyn has been elected Speaker of the House by a large majority. We will try to keep up with the Con essional times regularly. As yet, no hing has reached us of importance, except that in the selection of seats Old Bullion, alias Benton, has taken a position exactly in front of the Speaker's chair, in the centre of the Hall, and, we imagine, directly under the big Chandelier. From this point, it is presumed he is to fulmi-

and his measures. "Stand back, young America!" Legislative. THE present session of our Legislature seems rather bare of anything particularly interesting. What has heretofore transpired we have gathered from the Carolinian's reports. Having received no Carolinian by the last mail, we have endeavored to make up the de-

ficit from our Charleston exchanges. By a letter received from a friend in Columbia we

That McIven has been elected Solicitor of the Eastern Circuit over THORNWELL, by 32 votes. That Munno, Beilinger and Sullivan are spo-

ken of for the vacancy on the Law Bench.* That the Resolutions offered by Mr. Owens, Barnwell, proposing an appropriation of \$30,000, to Occasionally we hear of what may be called an IN SENATE.—The Senate met. A number of erect a monument to John C. Calhoun, have been laid upon the table. (" Tell it not in Gath-publish

it not in the streets of Askalon.") That the Electoral question will be settled negatively. That Mr. Tucken made a powerful effort in support of his favorite Free School system, but that it will

probably receive a quietus in a few days. That ASHMORE has been elected Comptroller-General by a large majority. That the Military Ball was a fine affair and went

off well notwithstanding the inclemency of the wea-

*Museo is elected. Drass Music. Ir is now a settled fact that our boys can get up

ome master of his instrument.

"It is bounded by a ring on one side and a cradle on the other. The climate is sultry till you pass the tropics of housekeeping, when squally weather sets in with such power as to keep all hands as cool as ome very fair Brass music, if we may thus brazenly express ourself. The Band, which has been raised ucumbers. For the principal roads leading to this under the auspices of Col. SEWART HARRISON and nteresting state, consult the first pair of blue eyes Major Loveless of the 7th Regiment, have proven you run against. The Holidays are Here. the fact. Under the admirable instructions of Capt. BOHLER of the Augusta Brass Band, they have al-THE Holidays! -- Ah! what a charming sound school-boys and school-girls! At the very mention of ready attained to a degree of proficiency decidedly ereditable. Our community has been surprised by it, the young blood flows so fast and the animal spirits rise so high that boys can't keep from impoing up, nor several serenades from them, which have given much girls from dancing. Our schools will all be in vacation soon. We bid our young friends good-bye and a hap-The advice we would give the boys is to persevere, Prie advice we would give the boys is to persevere, persevere, until each one shall have be
py Christmas, hoping to see them here again at New to the most ardent expetions of his numer
should be incidental rather than primary; and

Enlarging and Improving

President Pierce.

We conv elsewhere a synopsis of the President's

this important document in full. We may possibly

prepare an abridgement of it for the first page of our

the online we publish this week, that the message is

a paper of lofty sentiments and genuine States

Rights principles, well calculated to warm into new-

ness of life the hopes of even those who had mos

We have some how or other had an abiding confi-

stallation. As we thought then of its initiative, so

have we continued to look with approbation upon its

since there was that in the conduct of one of its de

nave we studiously kept our face turned towards th

the admirable proportions of President PIERCE's gen

eral policy. Looking thus and hoping thus, we ob-

serve with high satisfaction the tone of his first Mes

age and the system of measures thereby indicated.

The cheering spectacle is here presented of

Northern President, proclaiming to the country, as

the ground-work of his official conduct, the strictest

and straitest principles of the most rigid Southern

States Rights Democrat. And what is better will

we know that this is not a mere formal announcemen

of a Party's creed, but a heart-felt declaration of

doctrines in which our Chief Magistrate has been

purposed as it were and for which he has manfully

done battle from time to time, until they are now

is flesh '

olitically speaking, "bone of his bone and flesh of

To speak candidly, it is the knowledge of this last

fact upon which we chiefly rest our hopes of the pre-

ent Administration. We are free to say that we

Government to something like its original simplicity

LIN PIERCE is that man. His principles are sound,

ry shall clearly appear, we are among those who

gencies of his term. Let him then but go on as he

him steer clear of the breakers of intrigue and cor-

the Circean phrases of all who shall attempt to seduce

him from the direct path of duty,-and, it may be, he

will be the chosen instrument of reforming the Ameri-

True, we are taking it for granted that our Presi

ent is an uncommonly gifted man. And he must

orace himself such, or his Administration is destined

o be overwhelmed, perhaps ignominiously. For,

although it came into power by the almost unanimous

voice of the States, yet there was left in the opposi-

tion a set of politicians, burning with rage from their

utter discomfiture and swearing to be avenged upon

the head of him, who was placed forward as the ex-

ment of their conquerors. These men are impelled

a vindictiveness which will suffer no rest and

eave no stone unturned or scheme untried by which

their revenge may be accomplished. They are al-

ready conjuring back the spirit of Whiggery in a

onise to suit the altered condition of the times. Aye.

and "with the wisdom of the serpent" they are

stealthily creeping into the camp of their victors and

cautiously scattering the seeds of discord among those

But this is only a part, perhaps the smallest part,

of the dangers which threaten the present Executive.

There are those, who have been londest-spoken in the

ranks of the Democracy, who are now writhing sub-

iects of the "green-eved monster" because the distri-

bution of place and patronage has not been such as

they could have dictated. These men are now ene-

nies at heart and only await a fitting moment to

Nor is this all. An honest Executive, in this cor-

elements of turbulence and miss-rule are daily grow-

ing stronger throughout our land, and we may form

some idea of the obstacles which beset the present

But we still believe that Honesty backed by Firmness

and guided by Prudence can overcome them all. To

think differently were to admit that God had given up

the American confederacy to destruction. We prefer

to hope that, in His wisdom, He has conceived a better

fate for a people whom He has heretofore so signally

est means of drying them up forever, we suggest to

neness of sentiment upon this point. Whenever, in

the affairs of the great Republican Sisterhood of

which she is one, principles are to be vindicated or

evils reformed, let her be found, as in days that are

gone, at the post of duty. Be her efforts then successful or abortive, she will at least have earned the im-

perishable renown of having always striven for the

War Among the Africans.

rohibit George using the name of Christy, as his ame is Harrington. George says he has been Christy

in his bills, and even if Ned. gets crusty he won't

Thus wags the world. From Presidential Cabinets

down to Darkie bands, splits are the order of the day.

Companies split, and households split, and communi

ties split, and mercantile firms split, and Democrats

split, and lovers split, and old coats split, and Acade-

micians split, aye, and even churches split-and we

see no good reason to doubt but that sooner or later

the world at large will make one general split, and,

possibly, every thing be thrown back into chaos.

Some splits are destructive of both parties. Others

as "Jeems" intimates, the going down of "one nig-

ger" is directly connected " wid de risin' of a nudder.'

individual split. The last item of the kind which

has reached our sanctum is the case of a certain

indefatigable mistress of a household, not a hundred

miles from town, who recently split her throat while

The "State of Matrimony."

is the fact and bounds the new State thus:

of a delinquent tire-woman.

Year, and many more beside.

in the famous Christie Ethiopean Company:

enlisted under the triumphant banner.

exhibit their smothered wrath.

Administration.

can Government and rendering it perpetual.

ompletely despaired of the Republic.

We observe that both the Abbeville Banner an Message, as reported for the associated press of the Independent Press are considerably enlarged of Charleston. Owing to the requirements made upon late and evidently on the high-way of success. The our columns, by Legislative intelligence and other spirit and talent with which they are conducted give matter, we shall scarcely be able to give our readers them high rank among the newspapers of the State. THE Keowce Courier has also grown into a beautiful sheet and promises to emulate the very foremost of next issue. In the mean time, it will be seen, from our weeklies.

these symptoms of their advanceme Hodges and Puller Institutes.

WE take pleasure in calling attention to the adver-tisement of these Academies. It will be seen that ample preparations have been made for the next ence in the present Administration from its very scholastic year. Taking into consideration the situation of Greenwood, the character and worth of the gentlemen who have the care of its schools, and the successive developments. And, although not long facilities afforded by them to the public, we should say that the Hodges and Fuller Institutes were richly partments which by no means gave us pleasure, yet deserving of liberal encouragement. We believe, after all, that a country village is a better place for a right side of things, especially as the blur to which female seminary than a Court House town. e allude seemed not to affect in any material degree Provisions.

WE have plenty of good beef to eat now under the excellent butchering of Mr. GOODMAN. And every body expects to have quantities of hog-ment, provided the hog-meat venders will take 41 cents for their commodity. But chickens are getting scarce, and eggs especially so. We want ten dozen exactly. Sellers

will please apply at this office .- As for Flour, the real Hiram Smith is actually too high to buy, except for weddings. And then corn bread, at present prices. "mounts up fast." as Aunt Betsy Buckhalter would say. Still, people must ent. And in order to do so properly they must have something too eat .- However let us have the ten dozen eggs, and we'll get along the best we can, and say no more about it.

Price of Lands. Tue price of lands in Edgefield is certainly advancing with steadiness, if not with rapidity. On the look mainly to one man for a restitution of the Federal Saluda and Piney-woods sides especially, is this the case. The reason is, that the advantages and merits and purity. Nor are we ashamed to add that FRANKof those sections are only now becoming well known. We had feared that our Savannah-river lands were his honesty is above suspicion, and, until the contrarather retrograding. These fears were, however, entirely dispelled the other day by the prices of several regard his firmness of character equal to the emertracts, fairly sold, in that part of the District, one of which went as high as fifteen dollars per acre. It may has begun-let him tenacionaly adhere to any line of be set down that lands are rising all over the District. action his own independent mind shall suggest-let and they are cheap at that. We believe Edgefield to be one of the best sections of South Carolina for adruption-let him, Ulysses-like, close his ears against vantageous purchases of real estate.

Newberry Market.

We are glad to learn from various sources that the town of Newberry is rapidly becoming an excellent market for the sale of produce and the purchase of supplies. A day or two since we were informed that her streets had been for some time back crowded with cotton-wagons. Good prices prevail, and every thing indicates prosperity. We congratulate our friends in that quarter upon the success which is crowning their

The Press Association.

It was our fixed intention to have attended the meeting of the Press Association recently held in Columbia; but other and unavoidable engagements debarred us this pleasure. We can assure our brethren that our warmest feelings were with them. It is gratifying to observe the harmony and cordiality which marked their gathering. Knowing many of the craft as we do, our promise is hereby given to be one in any thing they may have agreed upon.

Meeting of Alumni. A Society of the Alumni of the South Carolina College has at length been formed under very favora ble auspices. Hon. W. C. Parston was elected President for the ensuing year, R. W. GIBBES Secretary and Treasurer, and JNO. B. FLOYD (Va.) first Orator. It would have afforded us much pleasure to have been enrolled among its earliest members; and could our wishes have had precedence of our duties,

for the Society a long course of usefulness. rupt day, must expect to create such enemies at "Ho is gone to the Isle of St. Helona." at the end of his row. effusion beginning with

> He is gone To the Isle of St. Helena" A Mississippi editor, speaking of this puissant General's letter in which he withdraws from public life,

affectionately exclaims Fare thee well, and if for ever, Still forever fare thee well! We heave as deep and as sincere a groan upon the

occasion as ever did "Aminidab Sleek" or any member of the " Serious Family."

Shamhai Items. Norming about the Revolution, but only an illu

ration or two of the tharming tones which evolve from the throats of that graceful race of chickens known as Shanghais. Illustration No. 1. In individual of the more sen itive rex was staying it the house of a friend in the

country. At midnightshe came rushing down to the lower apartments to itercede for what she supposed to be a delinquent datie, wailing under the lash of an enraged overseer. Imagine the revulsion in her "phelinx" when infrmed that the fuss proceeded from the Shanghai cleken-coob. Illustration No. 2. A lady of education and refinement was spending night recently with a friend who lives on the Lustic-as; lum side of Columbia.

"JEEMS," the comic correspondent of the Savannah Courier, thus discourses concerning the late split The family were sitting late in the parlor, around a "War has commenced in earnest among two rival ands of Ethiopean Singers in New York. It is well dull grate fire. Convesation had flagged and the party formed a regult Quaker meeting. Suddenly known that George Christy has been for years the carl, and in consequence of his unrivalled skill in rattling "de bones," his versatility of talent in the the silence was interipted from without by an unearthly scream, and nother, and another, and then pun and low comedy line, his imitation of female dancing, &c., has enabled E. P., or "Ned," as comseveral together, untillie uproar became general. The visitor could stand it plonger. Clasping her hands, dancing, &C., has enabled E. P., or "Ned," as commonly called, to amass a large fortune, while, as he, (George,) thinks, withholding from him the compensation due for his exertions in pleasing the public. George wisely comes to the conclusion that he will with up-turned eyesof deepest sympathy, she exclaimed-George wisely comes to the conclusion that he wil start on his own bones; consequently he puts hi bones in the keeping of Wood's company, who, a

" Ah! the poor inmes of that melancholy Asylum How the heart sicken to hear those terrible screams of anguish and"-

Mr. Ned. then carries the war almost into the bowels of Africa, and endeavors to get the courts to "Why, my dear mlam, excuse me for interrupting you," put in the aounded master of the housebut that's only the ewing of my favorite Shanggive in. So they go it. Ned's popularity is on the wane, and of course George's star is in the ascendant.

The lady retired prinitately, and the gentleman is supposed to have acout in disgust early next To quote the language of an eminent writer, "If one nizger goes down, why, a nudder nigger has a chance morning.

THREE DAYS BER FROM EUROPE. ARRIVAL OF THEMAGARA AT HALIFAX LTIMOKE, Dec. 8, 1853.

The British mail sem ship Niagara has arrived at Halifax fromly roool, which port she left on the 26th ult.

THE LIVERPOOL TREETS .- Cotton during the week ending the th ult. was unchanged in nearly every particularithough lower qualities were a shade higher, withe market closed firm. The sales during the veek comprised 41,000 help both along. While in a great majority of cases, bales, of which speculars took 5,750 and exporters 2,750 bales, long 32,500 of all desriptions to the trade

For the present hotiles have ceased along the Danabe in Moldaliand Wallachia on account of the floods, but is believed they will be renewed, inasmneliathe Turkish and Russian commanders have reived orders from their respective commandeso prosecute the war pouring a torrent of elegant invective upon the head

THE SOUTH CAROLIMPRESS ASSOCIATION. COMBIA, S. C., Dec. 7. Some months ago, Mrs. Partington was over-heard The first anniversalyneeting of the South

y somebody wondering whether this " State of Ma-Carolina Press Associati was held at Columbia imony" was one of the United States. ("Ike" at on Wednesday mornigand was very fully atthe same time worrying the Tom-cat.) The Ladies tended by the Press of 1 State. Book for January next informs the old halv that such The following officervere duly elected to serve for the ensuing je:

President-Richard adon, Esq., Courier, Charleston. Vice Presidents-Rolt McKnight, Journal, Union C. H., R. S. Jay, Ledger, Lancaster Secretary-A. T. Cavisarolinian, Columbia,

Orator-W. B. Johns, Carolinian, Colum-The first anniversary tion of the Association, was delivered in theall of the House of Representatives, this eing, by Thomas J. Warren, Esq., of the Oden Journal. It is needless to say that the lress was fully equal

THE first annual Message of President Pierce, was delivered on Tuesday, the 6th inst., to both

Houses of Congress, of which the following is a brief synopsis.

tice and intelligence of the masses.

He commences by saying that the interest with which the people look to the assembling of Congress, and the fulfilment on that occasion of the duty imposed on their new President, are the best evidences of their capacity to realise the hopes of the founders of the government, as the sole reliance of this Confederacy is on the jus-

The country has abundant cause for thankfulness to God for the many mercies showered upon the nation; thus recognising the wisdom f absolute religious toleration, as no secure reliance can be placed upon any apparent progress unless sustained by national integrity, resing upon the traths of Revelation.

With regard to our diplomatic relations with Foreign Powers, the President says they have undergone no change since the adjournment of he last Congress, and that those now pending of a disturbing character will probably be amica bly adjusted. Respecting the Fishery question, he says that

he United States never recognised the British construction of the Treaty of 1818, and that with a view of extending the rights of American lishermen, and regulating the trade between he United States and British American Possesions, negotiations had been opened with a fair prospect of a favorable result. In regard to the controversy upon the affairs

Central America, he says that Great Britain as proposed an amicable arrangement, and our Minister in London has consequently been instructed to enter into negotiations on the subject; and he also represents it as desirable that the Boundary line between the United States and the British American possessions in the North-west be traced and marked. The relations with France are friendly, and a

treaty of Commerce and Navigation is progress-In regard to Cuba, he says, that he is happy to announce that since the last Congress no unauthorised expedition had been fitted out from the United States, and that should any

such movements be undertaken, he will repress

them by all the means in his power. He refers to several annoying occurrences as having taken place at Havana between our citizens and Spanish subjects, and says that prompt redress cannot be obtained, because diplomatic intercourse is not allowed between the American Consul and Captain General. To avoid vexations delay, a proposition had been made to provide for a direct appeal for redress from the American Consul to the Captain General, which the Spanish Government had hitherto refused to agree to; but that our Minister at Madil had been instructed to renew the application. He also recommends a prompt adjustment with Spain of the claim for losses in the case of the schooner Amidad.

Concerning the case of Martin Koszta, he recapitulates facts as set forth in Mr. Marcy's letter, and says that the principles and policy therein maintained will be enforced whenever proper

Our Commissioner in China, he says, has been ustructed to avail himself of all occasions to extend our Commercial Relation with that and other Asiatic nations.

He mentions the arrival of Commodore Per-

ry's Squadron on the Coast of Japan, but states that he has not ascertained the effect of the Exp. dition on the Emperor. He refers to the dispute with Mexico regard-

ing the Mecilla Valley, and says that the former commissioner of the United States made an error in running a boundary, which was not binding on the United States; but as Mexico takes a different view of the subject, our Minister to that Court had been instructed to negotiate upon that and other questions of magnitude now pending, but what progress has been made in the premises he does not know, but hopes that arrangement mutually satisfactory will be this would certainly have been the case. We wish made in a spirit of liberality and friendship.

Our Minister to Central America has received a friendly reception at San Juan de Nicarague. he sung, and we advise that it be set to the whining policy in regard to the mavigation of the Amaold tune which usually accompanies a certain elegant | zon, as Paragnay and the Argentine Confederation have opened their navigable rivers. He says, however, that treaties on the subject will submitted to the Senate.

Measures have been taken, he says, to remove the difficulty now experienced in obtaining guano, and that it is believed that the Pernyian Government have made an indemnity for the recent outrage at the Chiucha Islands. He refers to our expansion in territorial ex-

tent, and the increased happiness and prosperity of our country, and endorses the doctrine of ers of the Federal Government.

The revenue of the country; he states, to be nereasing beyond either the interest or prospective wants of the country, it amounting for the vear ending June 30th, 1853, to nearly \$59,000. 000 from Customs, and \$2,500,000 from public ments on account of the public debt, were \$43 250,000, leaving a balance of 32,250,000, to have been sold to Col. James Tompkins by myincluding the balance for the year ending June 20th 1852

He recomendes that the sulplus revenue be first applied to the disearge of the public debt; and secondly, that means be devised to effect a gradual reduction of the revenue. The first is already in the course of accomplishment, the public debt amounting to \$59.250,000.

He recommends, secondly, that the plan contained in the report of the Secretary of the Treasury for the reduction of duties on certain articles, and adding to the free list articles, en- I still say, and I defy any responsible name to contering into manufactures, and not largely produ- tradict one word thereof, which I have endeavored ced in the country, be adopted. He suggests, also, improvements in the mode

of settling acounts, and collection of arrears due from public officers. He recommends the augmentation of the Army and Navy apprepriations.

The Post Office expenses for the years were

nearly \$8,000,000, the receipts nearly \$6,000, 000. leaving a deficiency of about \$2,000,000. principally caused by the enormous rates paid Railroad Companies for transportation, He calls attention, in this connection, to the income and expenditures from the transmission by mail teamers, and requests prompt action thereon. He alludes to the numerous frauds perpetrated

on the Pension Bureau, and hopes that the defeets in the law will be speedily remedied. He commends the present Land System, and states that the nett returns from the sales of 250,000. He recommends the extension of the Public Land System over Utah and New Mexieo, and that some modifications be made in favor of actual settlers, and that the pre-emption

principle be extended. He maintains the power of Congress to construct Roads within the Territories, and says hat grants of land for the construction of roads should be made under proper circumstances. He recommends the enlargement and modification of the Judicial system, as its present organization is confessedly inadequate to the

duties to be performed.

He recommends the immediate organization of the Smithsonian Institute upon the terms prescribed in the Act of Congress.

He takes strong grounds against internal im-

provements being made by the Federal Government and asks, if the policy were once settled against appropriations by the General Governent, for local improvements for the benefit of Commerce, would not such localities, by means for themselves? He hopes the question will be deliberately reconsidered, and a plan matured to promote the permanent interests of the conntry. He thinks, also, where constructions are ing made by the General Government, the right to the soil ought to be first obtained.

Referring to the means for affording communieation between the States along and on the opposite sides of the Rocky Mountains, he maintains that the Federal Government has the pow- Battalion, 9th Regiment, to fill the vacancy occaer to construct military roads, and protect harbors of refuge. He thinks, however, that it is of doubtful power, and more than doubtful propriety, for the General Government to administer the affairs of a Railroad or Canal; and that therefore its connection with such works adds that no grandeur of enterprise, or induce-

Synopsis of the President's Message, ments promising popular favor, shall lead him to disregard the light of the Constitution. He refers to the settlement by Compromis of the exciting question of 1850, as giving a

new vigor to our institutions, and repose to the commiry. He urges fidelity to the constitutional rights of the States, and avoidance of agitation, and winds up by a general review of the past and

prospective advances of the country. He urges again a strict adherence to the constitution, and avoidance of the exercise of doubtful powers, as the only means of main taining national cohesion.

He advises, also, the cultivation of the cardinal virtues-public frugality and official integri-

-and that a wise economy be introduced into he administration of affairs. He refers appropriately to the death of Vice-President King, and concludes by soliciting the firm co-operation of the co-ordinate branches of

the government.

FOR THE ADVENTISER

SUMPTER Co. ALS., Nov. 15, 1853. MR. EDITOR: Again I beg leave to tax the at tention of your numerous readers in the District of Edgefield, though not as responding to that object of sympathy, that has ignorantly and couptless inocently, suffered his name annexed to a very scurrilous and abusive article, I find in your issue of the first of November. But let me say to that base and malicious personage, who has presumed to contradict emphatically a plain statement of facts made by me, relative to my arrest in Augusta, on the 8th of August, if he dare show his name, and at be proved to be a responsible one. I would be far from asking the community to read another line. But I am thus thrown in the defensive by those unacquainted with STEPHEN F. TOMPKINS, and the position in which I stand as connected with this case. Him I look upon more with pity than contempt, and I shudder to see the malice in the heart of those who have taken advantage of his irresponsibility. I am thus constrained, briefly to rehearse the whole affair.

First, with regard to the place my communica tion appeared. Those who know me, know that for sixty years, Edgefield has been my home, a home I left with the greatest reluctance; though instigated by those feelings which prompt a man to better his fortune, I together with a greater portion of my planting interest, removed to this State, about the first of January last. On my way, I spent one night with my now prosecutors; a portion of the family accompanied me to Augusta and dined with me at the Globe Hotel. And the little champion Frank, who affects to figure so largely in this matter, was also there; and had he one time said to me, you must answer a Bill in Equity before you leave, worthless as he is, I should there have halted and now been a citizen of Augusta. After remaining about seven months at my farm, in this State, I returned on a visit to my native Distriet, and among other friends and relatives, were those for whose welfare I had once sacrificed my

own, a feeling I still retained towards them. My feelings under all the eireumstances, can better felt than described, when, at 4 o'clock in the morning, I was taken from my bed by Officers of the City with a ne exeat and an attached bond of \$10,000. As my business had always been transacted in Hamburg, in my own District, I had scarcely an acquaintance in the City, and I necessarily went to Jail, where I remained until my friend from Edgefield arrived. When I sent for the parties, (and as the bond was of course optional with them,) I offered six of the most responsible men of Hamburg which were refused. My mortification was not greater than my astonishment. when I secondly, offered an only acquaintance of the City with an indemnified bond to the amount . f \$20,000, which was likewise refused.

After I arrived in Edgefield under the greatest depression of spirits, I found it currently City of Augusta-and none knew the circumstances. After my return to my new home in Alabama, where of course, as a stranger, my position in the community depended solely upon what my character would justify, I found the same report was also current there. I was therefore thus prompted to publish, for my former friends in Edgefield, and my new ones here, the much wondered at piece in the Advertiser.

Suffice it to say, Mr. Editor, that I regard no the ungenerous and dishonest action which has been State Rights, and the strict limitation of the pow- brought against me to supply the vacancy brought on by indolence and extravagance. As to the transfer of the deeds mentioned, both in my coumunication and that of the person unknown to me. he has only fabricated enough to make an actual possession appear in me which I hope I am able lands, &c. The expenditures, exclusive of pay- to meet at his "legal forum." With regard to the sale of negroes alluded to, avowed in my article self, but by the author of the article over the signature of STEPHEN F. TOMPKINS emphatically contradicted, and said to have been sold by FRANK Tompkins, please read the annexed copy of the Bill of Sale sent to me by Col. Tompkins himself.

I have thus briefly rehearsed my previous statement, and I will only add that no farther notice will be taken of any communication, unless a companied by a responsible name. What I have said, to show was done to sustain a character which is dearer to me than gold.

JOHN TOMPKINS.

COPY OF BILL OF SALE FROM JOHN

TOMPKINS TO JAMES TOMPKINS. SOUTH CAROLINA, ? Edwelield District.

Received of James Tourkins four thousand do!ars in full payment for the following negro slaves, being eight in number (to wit:) Squire, a man about twenty-eight years of age, and Esther his wife, about twenty-four years of age, and their six children, to wit: Lucy, Vicey, Amy, Mary, Sam and an infant boy, which said negroes I warrant sound and healthy, and do also warrant the title of said slaves unto the said James Tompkins, his heirs and assignees against myself my heirs and assignees. and against all other persons whomsoever elaining public lands up to June 30, 1853, were \$53,- the same, or either of them. Witness my hand and Seal this 23rd Jan. 1837. JOHN TOMPKINS. (signed.)

JEHUE MOUCHET. (Witness.)

HYMENIAL.

MARRIED, on the 22d ult., by the Rev. R. R. Vann, Dr. L. D. Owens, of Barnwell, and Miss MARY II. YARBOROUGH, of Fairfield.

COMMERCIAL.

HAMBURG, Dec. 10, 1853. Cotton.-We have had rather a dull week's bu-

siness, both sales and receipts have been light for the season. We have no material change to note in prices from our last report. The week closes with rather a better feeling. Prices range from 7 to 10 ets. Salt is very searce, and is retailing at clearly legitimate and proper, raise the funds \$2,50 per Sack. As our River is in fine boating order we hope to be better supplied soon, and at lower rates. We would remark that the total decrease in the

Receipts of Cotton according to the last reports amounts to 431 000 bales. THE Friends of Lieut. L. CORLEY an-

nounce him as a Candidate for Major of the Lower sioned by the promotion of Maj. B. F. STROM. Nov 30 11 On hand and for Sale

SUPERIOR Lot of WINES and LIQUORS A which will be sold in quantities of Three Gal lons, or more, by F. M. NICHOLAS.

Butler Lodge, No. 17, I. O. O. F A Regular Meeting of this Lodge will be held on Monday evening next,

at 7 o'clock.
H. BOULWARE, Sec'ry. Dec 15 11

Masonic Notice. A REGULAR Communication of GONGORDIA LODGIA No. 50, A. F M., will be held at their Hall on Saturday evening, 17th December, at 7 o'clock. A full meet-

ng is requested as business of importance will be nefit before the Lodge, which must and will be acted upon, and in which every Member is interested. It is hoped that all will attend, and come prepared to pay up their dues to date. By order of the W. M.

JOSEPH ABNEY, See'y. Dec 7

Domestic Goods!

GRAT BROTHERS.

Augusta, Georgia, VE NOW IN STORE the following DO.

MESTIC GOODS, which they offer at LOW PRICES, and to which they respectfully invite the attention of the public.

5 Cases fine English LONG CLOTH:

2 do New York Mills do do Old York "

do James Steam Mills do do Nine Twist

do Lonsdale do Water Twist 5 do Newburyport do 100 Bales Str'ed HOMESPUNS for plantation use

Cases 12-4 Hamilton SHEETING. " 10-4 and 11-4 Alandale do

BLANKETS, 50 " 8 oz. OSNABURGS, different brands, 25 Cases CALICO.

Grocery and Cotton Business. THE Undersigned takes this method of inform-

He is now prepared to carry on the business on the most liberal terms at their Old Stand, where he has now on hand, and will be constantly receiving a LARGE, FRESH and WELL SELECTED

Comprising every article in the line ever called for sell on the most reasonable terms.

He will be constantly in the market for Cotton

make immediate payment, as we are determined to

BRINDLEY & ROSAMOND.

Dec 7, 1853. Hodges and Fuller Institutes. TR. WM. M. ARMSTRONG, A. B., Park TAL. under whose superintendence the ex ises of this Institution will be resumed on MON-

close our business

REFERENCES .- Col. J. D. Williams, Capt. J. G.

Fuller. Preises of this Institution will be resumed on MON-DAY the 16th January 1854, under the direction of the above named gentleman, assisted by Daughter. Dr. Evans has taught for several years with success, and the hearty approbation of his patrons; and assures the friends and patrons of the Institution that no effort shall be wanting on his part to mpart to the young ladies committed to his care that intellectual and moral training which is resite to their happiness and usefulness in future Dr. Evans is prepared to give thorough instruction

in the French language, and will have in the ornaiental branches well-qualified Instructors. REFERENCES .- J. W. Prewit and D. Camiller E-qrs., Franklin county, Ga.; Hon. W. B. White, and James Lofton, Esq., Ruckersville, Ga.; J. A. Eve, M. D. and W. H. Turpin, M. D., Augusta,

Ga ; Rev. C. D. Mallory, Albany, Ga .; Thomas H. Wells, M. D., S. Blanding, M. D., Columbia. Primary Department, First Class,.....\$6,00

Use of Instrument. 2,00
Contingencies, from 50 to 75 cents.

These Institutions are located in the village of Greenwood, famed for its pleasant and healthful situation, and immediately on the Greenville and Columbia Railroad.

C TOCKHOLDERS of the Hamburg and Edgeof field Plank Road Company, are hereby notified that the next annual meeting of the Stockholders, will take place on Wednesday, the 11th day of January next, at the Company's Office in Hamburg, at which time a statement of the affairs of the Compa-ny will be submitted. There will also be an elecny will be submitted. tion for President and Directors. A full attendance is desired W. C. SIBLEY, Sec. & Treas. is desired H. & E. Plank Road Co'ny.

IME Commissioners of Public Buildings, for

tion on one side a brick and a half square at bottom and tapering to size of wall at top.

The entire top is to have broken glass laid in The whole of the work is to be laid in lime mortar. Proposals received as per running foot. The foundation to be well dug out. There will be from four hundred to six hundred

BY Virtue of an Order from the Ordinary of Edgefield District, I will proceed to sell at the late residence of Daniel White, Esq., on Thursday the 22d inst., the personalty of the said deceased, consisting of One Horse, one Set of Surveyor's In-struments, (complete) Household and Kitchen Furniture, with other articles not important to mention.

Terms Cash. WM. WHITE, Adm'or.

IN. B .- All persons indebted to the Estate are hereby notified to make payment by the lat day of January 1854, and these to whom the Estate is indebted will present their demands by the above time, as I desire to wind up the Estate immediately.

> Notice. S. C. BRUNSON.

Notice. Sept 22

25 " 3-4, 7-8 and 4-4 Brown Homespun. 10-4, 11-4 and 12-4 Auseutney Sheeting. 10, 11 and 12-4 Munnandoc Very superior KERSEYS, 8 " 8-4, 9-4 and 10-4 heavy

I ing his friends and customers, and the public generally, that having recently purchased from Messrs. Brindley & Rosamono, the rentire Stock of Groceries.

GROCERIES AND LIQUORS,

and other Produce, for which the most liberal pri-ces will be paid. T. B. JOHNSON, Hamburg, Dec 10 3m 48. Final Notice. A LL those indebted to the Undersigned, either by note or book account, will please call and

DAY, the 16th January, is a graduate of the South Carolina College, an experienced and approved Teacher, and will give his undivided attention to the improvement of the youth committed to his care, and to prepare them for enter ng any Southern College.

Williams, F. Nance, Esq., W. B. Bird, Maj. G. Bird, Joshua Saxon and R. Pitts, of Laurens.

Expenses per Session of five Months. Second Department.... With Ancient Languages and Higher

Board per-month, from \$8 to \$10. 17 The charges are the same in both Institutions for the same studies.

Notice.

Notice this!

L Edgefield District, will receive, until the first Monday in January next, scaled proposals for the building of a Wall around the Edgefield Jail. The Wall is to be 21 brick in thickness—the foundation is to be of stone 11 feet above the surface. The heighth of the entire Wall is to be 10 feet. Every twenty feet around, there is to be a projec-

JOHN HUIET, Chair'n.

Notice.

W. W. 2t - 48 A LL Persons indebted to the Subscriber will find their secounts with Rev. D. D. Brunson, who is authorized to receipt for me.

A LL Persons indebted to the Estate of C. J. Glover, dec'd., are requested to make immediate payment, and those having demands against said estate, will present them properly attested.

JOHN RAINSFORD, Adm'r.

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