appended.
The melincholy intelligence of the decease of this gallant young man will touch the hearts of his brave companions in arms, who were the witnesses of his noble and fearless conduct on many a bloody field We were ourselves well acquainted with Lieut. Bell, and admired him for the high qualities he possessed. His heart was eve open to the call of distress, whether requisi-tion was made on his limited purse or his personal service. While on duty, ju personal service. While on duty, in Maxico, he was at one time detailed in command of a detachment denominated, in inlitary phrase, "the forlorn hope, and the steady and determined manner in which he executed the duty entrusted to him, won the admiration and praise of all. He was appointed Adjutant of the Palmetto Regiment, and it has often been our pleasure to hear the highest encomiums passed upon him by his commander, Col. Gladden. He yielded up his life, not as he would have wished, clad in the habiliments of a soldier, and amid the clanger of arms, but a victim to an insidious disease that stealeth away the strength and life of the strong and the weak alike. His memory will be green and fresh in the hearts of all who knew his worth and manhood .- Courier.

[From the San Prancisco Daily Herald, Nov. 12.] DIED, in this city, of cholera, on the 7th instant, Mr. RALPH BELL, aged _5 years, late of Charleston, (S. C.)

To a host of friends in the "Palmetto

State," this sad announcement will be received with the deepest sorrow. One well beloved by his associates, and standing high in the esteem of his fellow-citizens, has been called from life. A chivalrous spirit has fled-a generous heart has ceased to beat. His home will know him no more! In the late war with Mexico, when the Palmetto Regiment was formed, Mr. Bell was elected Second Lieutenant of the Charleston Company, During the campaign he was enabled to perform efficient service for his country, and led the forlorn hope at the storming of Chapultepec, His gallant bearing at that time won for him unfading laurels, and he was presented by his native city with a sword as an acknowledgment due from an admiring people to a brave soldier. At the commencement of the emigration to California, he was one of the first to seek the shores of El Dorado, and he had for the past eighteen months been engaged in the mines.

Mr. Bell's short illness, friends administered to him, and every thing that hope could suggest was resorted to, to stay the hand of the dread Destroyer-but all in vain. Life's fitful fever is over, and the turf rests above the honored dead.

ECCLESIASTICAL MEETING .- On the 27th ult the Mississippi Synod of the Presbyterian Church met at Vicksburg, and on Monday, the 2d inst., adjourned to meet in this city (New Orleans,) on the second Wednesday in January, 1852.

The Synod consists of four Presbyteries, embracing all the region of Texas, Louisiana, and most of Mississippi. There are, in these bounds, eighty ministers.

proceedings were conducted with From all that we can learn from several gentlen.en who were present, we should infer that this body has legislated with a view to the good of all men, without seeking merely to propagate the peculiarities of a sect. Instances of this might be specified, but our space forbids.

The only squinting towards politicsthat stumbling block of so many church legislators-was manifested, as we are informed, on the discussion of a report, in which the opinion was set forth that "the right observance and improvement of the you may rely upon a rare treat." Sabbath were calculated to promote the best interests of this glorious Union."

On this the whole amount of politic fuel was consumed, and the entire debate, as furnished to us, is as follows:

Rev. Mr. Mr. Moderator, I would suggest to the brother a slight change in one word which offends many persons in this part of the country. The word "nation" would, perhaps, be better than

Rev. Mr. Mr. Moderator, I utterly opposed to the change. If it has come to this, that we cannot, in this Synod, use the word "Union," I think it is high time for ministers to begin to preach politics.

an elder and lawyer. Mr. Moderator, I think that those men who would object to "Union" would dislike the word "nation" still more

MADEMOISELLE JENNY LAND .- This lady made her first appearance before Charleston audience last evening, at the Theatre. Public curiosity had been much excited, and we may safely affirm that the most sanguine expectations of all were Our city is thronged with visiters, many of whom have been attracted here with the expectation of hearing this unriv-"alled songstress. Since the new Theatre has been opened, a more brilliant, attentive and orderly assemblage, has never graced it, than that which greeted this fair votaress of melody, whose visit will form an era in

"The Bir ." and "The Echo Song" were loudly encored. But the gen of the performance was the simple plaintive air of "Home Sweet Home," which, familiar as it sung before it came from the mellifluous lips of Jenny Lind.

The whole arrangements were conducted with admirable system and good orderactive and efficient managers, were distributed in various parts of the house, to secure to all the possession of every seat previously engaged; and we feel warranted in assuring those of our friends, who desire to embrace this opportunity now offered, to enjoy the richest musical treat which has ever been offered in our city, that they may do so in full confidence, that all matters connected with the Theatre will be conducted with propriety and decorum.

Without partaking of the enthusiasm in advance, which has characterized the press of other cities where the fair Swede has poured forth her melodious notes, we must be allowed to remark that we have never before heard the human voice hold an audience so much under control, or so completely hold captive the brilliant assemblage of beauty and fashion that attended her concert.

Above all, we take pride and pleasure in stating that no attempt to disturb or annoy the audience within took place, nor was there the st disturbance in the vicinity of the Theatre, that required interference .-Courier.

A late philosopher says, that an empty pocket is a great gulf between hope and success, as impossible as that which divided Laz rus from his friend the midionaire. That philosopher has travelle 1 some.

A Good Parallel The Southern Press says that Milton's devils were of the North-not South. Sutan's first order was:

"Assemble thou

Of all those myriads, which we lead the chief!
Tell them that by command, ere yet aim night
Her shadowy cloud withdraws, I am to haste,
And all who under me their banners wave,
Homeward with flying murch where we possess
The quarters of the North."—

"At length into the limits of the North
They came and Satan to his royal seat."

And not only, continues the Press, was the rebeilion a Northern one, but the pretences were similar to those of the North now. It was a "liberty" movement thena protonce of liberty against slavery.

Thus Satan in reply to Abdiel, says:
"At first I thought that liberty and heaven
To heavenly souls had been all one; but now
I see that most through sloth had rather serve,
Ministering spirits, trained up in feast and song;
Such hast thou aimed, the ministers of heaven
Servilly with freedom to contend."

"WHAT ARE BIRDS GOOD FOR!"-The American Agriculturist for December, in answer to this inquiry, relates the following anecdotes:

"In connection with this subject, we will give an anecdote related to us last winter by Gov. Aiken, of South Carolina, of the rice birds. These little creatures gather around the rice fields at harvest time in countless myriads, and of course consume considerable grain. Some years ago it was determined to make war upon them, and drive them out of the country, and the measure was in some degree successful, so far as getting rid of the birds. 'What are birds good for?' The rice planter soon found out; for with the decrease of birds, the worms increased so rapidly that, instead of a few scattering grains to feed the birds, the whole crop was demanded to fill the insatiable maw of the army that came to consume every young shoot as fast as they sprung from the ground. Most undoubtedly the birds were invited back again with a hearty welcome. Rice cannot be cultivated without their assistance. "A Nw years ago the blackbirds in the

northern part of Indiana were considered a gricyous nuisance to the farmer. Whole fields of oats were sometimes destroyed, and the depredations upon late corn were greater that can be believed, if told. armers sowed and the birds reaped. He scolded and they twittered. Occasionally a charge of shot brought down a score, but made no more impression upon the great sea of birds than the removal of a single bucket of water from the great salt puddle. A few years later every green thing on the land seemed destined to destruction by the army worm. Man was powerless-a worm among worms. But his best friend, the hated blackbirds, came to his relief just in time to save when all seemed lost. No human aid could have helped him. How thankful should man be that God has given him for his companions and fellow-laborers, in the cultivation of the earth, those lovely birds. 'The laborer is worthy of his hire. Why should we grudge the little moiety claimed by the busy little fellows which followed the plow, and snatched the worm away from the seed, that it might produce grain for his and our sustenance? 'No nonest man would cheat a bird of his spring

THE RULING PASSION.—The force of habit was well illustrated by an anecdote told us of a former professor at the Medical School in Cambridge. We have it from one of the students, who was present on

and summer's work.' '

After the delivery of a lecture, the profes sor said: "Gentlemen to-morrow I shall have the pleasure of dissecting a body before you. I had hoped to have that satisfaction this afternoon, but unfortunately the subject was not exactly ready, not be ing quite dead. He is, hov ever without a doubt defunct by this time, and to-morrow

The next day the students were in the hall early to see the scalpel used. There was no corpse on the desecting table, and every time the door opened every eye was the aisle to his desk, with his hand behind him, and wearing a m lancholy look. Tak-

ing his stand, he addressed the students.
"Gentlemen, I expected vesterday, as I announced to have the pleasure of dissecting a subject here this afternoon. But I am sorry to state, gentlemen, that much to my disappointment, as it will be to yours, descreyed; but the dismal region extending fair way of recovery.'

held at Tripler Hall, New York city, on Friday evening 20th inst. The whole supply is annually produced. Friday evening 20th inst. The whole number of subscribers this year was 16,310; last year it was 18,960. terms of subscription (\$5) yielded this year, \$81,550. One thousand prizes, including 500 medals, 450 paintings, statues, buted among the subscribers, who hailed from all parts of the Union, and it might

almost be said of Europe.

The choice prize, number 100 on the list, "the Dream of Arcadia," by the late Thomas Cole, who painted "the Voyage of life" last year, which was won by the annals of our music loving community | printer in the western part of New York, Hulsemann; that the latter has been de-

The following are the lucky persons in South Carolina, if we may rely upon the is, to every one, we had never heard really list in the New York Herald: C. J. Bollin, F. M. Robinson, Charleston; Mrs. M. C.

Browne, Charleston.

The meeting adjourned at a very late hour .- Telegraph.

NEW PRESIDENTIAL MOVEMENTS -- We have already noticed the formation of a 'Free Trade Association" in New York, having for its object the abolition of any tariff or duties on imports whatever, the total discontinuane of custom houses, and the establishment of absolute freedom of limitation whatever. The Tribune tells us that another and more formidable movement has recently been commenced, which has on Thursday, on his return home.

leading tendencies in common with the The Baltimore Sun says:—The facts in foregoing, but which is rather more practical in its aims. It is in effect a secret organization of the free trade importers, shippers, agents of foreign manufacturers, &c. to accomplish the nomination of Hon. Robert J. Walker, of Mississippi, (Mr. Polk's Secretary of the Treasury, and the main architect of the present tariff.) as the next the same time placing "the party" on distinet and unequivocal "free trade" grounds, and then securing its triumph in the election of 1852. This movement, the Tribune says, has been backed by a subscription of over \$200,000, payable half on demand and the balance in six months .- Bal-

Appointments of South Carolina. The following are the appointments of

he South Carolina Conference, for 1851: Charleston District.—C. Betts, presiding older; Charleston, W. M. Wightman, D. D. editor Southern Christian Advocate; Chas. Taylor, M. D., B. Jenkins, missionaries to na, Cumberland, W. A. Gamewell; Trinity, W. A. McSwain; Bethel, C. H. Pritchard; St. James, J. R. Pickett; Cypress, John W.Kelly, F. A. Mood; Pon Pon Mission, W. C. Kirkland; Black Swamp, A. M. Chreitzburg, J. J. Flemming; Savannah River Mission, M. L. Banks, R. Bunch; Walterboro, P. A. M. Williams, W. W. Jones: Combahee and Ashepoo Mission, J. R. Coburn, Daniel May; Okatio Mission, Joseph Wannock; Orangeburg, W. Crook, W. W. Mood; Barnwell, P. G. Bowman, Thomas Rayson, G. W. Moore, sup'y; Graniteville and Aiken Mission, H. W. Mood; Cooper River, E. L. King, William Hutto; Cooper River Mission, T. E. Leadbetter, St. Andrews Mission, to be supplied; Beaufort and Prince Williams Mission, C. McLeod, C. O. Lamotte; Ediste, Jehossee and Fenwick Islands Mission, C. Wilson, H. A.

Cokeshury District-Samuel Leard, presiding elder; Cokesbury, A. W. Walker, A. A. Avant, C. A. Crowell; Edgefield, S. H. Brown, and one to be supplied; Pendleton, A. B. McGilvary, S. H. Dunwoody; Pickens, John Finger; Paris Monnt, D. Hilli-ard; Greenville Station, A. M. Ferster; Greenville Circuit, S. M. Green, A. H. Harmon; Union, R. G. Boyd, George W. Ivey, Laurens, S. Townsend, J. Wesley Miller; Newberry, C. Murchison, C. J. Pennington: Mt. Tryon Mission, James N. Burchell; okesbury School, J. W. Wrightman; H. . C. Walker, agent for Cokesbury School.

Columbia District-S. W. Capers, preiding elder; Columbia, (Washington st..) Whitefoord Smith, D. D., (Marion street,) Phomas Mitchell; Congarce Mission, Wil-iam Martin; Lexington, D. Derrick, James T. Kilgo; Columbia Circuit, J. W. J. Har-Meynardie; Lancaster, John A. Porter; amden, H. C. Parsons; Darlington, W. H. Flemming, D. W. Seale; Sumterville, Nicholas Talley; J. W. North; Santee, II. Spain; Waterce Mission, D. G. McDamel, A. J. Cauthen; St. Matthews, Williamson

Georgetown District-T. R. Walsh, presiding elder; Georgetown, James Stacy; Santee Mission, S. P. Taylor; Conwaybero, James Parker, Israel P. Hughes; Blackriver Circuit, S. Jones, W. W. Lee; Blackningo, A. Nettles; Blackriver and Pee Dee Missions, M. Early, L. M. Johnston; Marion, M. A. McKibben, W. A. Clarke; Bennettsville, J. M. Bradley; Cheraw, John T. Wightman: Cheraw Mission, W. J. Jack-son; Chesterfield, W. C. Clarke, and one to be supplied; Wadesborough, C. S. Walker, W. E. Boone; Albemarle, W. S. Haltom; Waccamaw Mission, J. A. Minnick A. P. Martin; Sampit Mission, William Carson; Society Hill Mission, John A.

Lincolnton District-II. II. Durant, presiding elder; Charlotte Station. H. G. Stacy; Charlotte Circuit, D. J. Simmons, Jos. W. Faulkner; Pleasant Grove, W. C. Patterson; Corcord, S. D. Laney; Lincolnton, John H. Zimmerman; Spartanburg, W. P. Mouzon: Spartanburg Circuit, Miles Pick-ett; Rutherford, P. F. Kistler; Catauba, L. of South Carbling. Radiant in her leveliness,

The following have been transferred to the N. Carolina Conference.

Witmington District-W. Barringer. oresiding elder; Wilmington Brick Church, W. G Conner; Bladen Circuit, J H. Roinson, D. Byers; Fayetteville Station, Jos. H. Wheeler; Fayetteville Circuit, A. Ir- and many a refugee from base oppression has foivine; Rockingham, W. L. Pegues; Montgomery, A. L. Smith, A. M. Rush; Cape Fear Mission, James J. Munns. Several preachers were left without ap-

pointment, on account of ill health. Next conference to be held in Georgetown, So.

ALLIGATOR SHOOTING .-- On a recent trip turned to witness the advent of what Man-talini would style 'a dem'd body." By to Alexandria, in about one hour and in and by the Professor solemnly strode down a run of twenty miles, three passengers kill. ther in glory, and is Corolina's star the lesser ed 55 alligators. These creatures have been Is she to circle, a tributary planet, around her sisdriven out of the Mississippi river, but the number does not seem to diminish in Red behoof! Rather would we blot her out. Shame River. Every boat piving on that river car- be on her sisters that they have sat in unrighteries guns and ammunition, and the passengers and otheers amuse themselves in killing these lizards. Thousands are annually the disease, unfortunatery, has taken a fa- from the mouth to one handred and fifty vorable turn, and the patient is now in a miles, furnishes them retreats in which their young are reared. They are as abandant now as they were fifty years ago. In AMERICAN ART UNION.-The Annual Florida, they are extensively killed for their neeting of the American Art Union was oil-the tough skin on their belly is tunned

DIFFICULTY WITH AUSTRIA -- The New-York Express says that the letters of its Washington correspondents by last night's mail, state that the Austrian Charge, (Mr. and "Allston's Outlines," were distri- McCurdy) successor of Cell Webb, is there, but has not obtained his orders yet. Mr. Hulsemann, the charge from Austria, it is also said, acts as if there was mischief brewing. Independently of these intimations, we have similar haits from other quarters. Rumor says there is a flare up between the American Secretary of State and Mr. and for which he was offered \$6,000, was meaning himself discourteously, in conand unofficially; that, therefore, Mr. Mc. something of an apology for hard and harsh words; and that these are the causes

> RELEASE OF WM. CHAPLIN, THE SLAVE Annueron .-- The Washington Republic, of Saturday last, has the following:

Chaplin was, on Thursday, liberated from the jail of Montgomery county, \$19,000 so hardly, at the first part of the last session, bail having been entered for his appearance against the admission of California-declaring, importation without any check, impost, or at Howard District Court. Bail to the that that act would justify a dissolution of the amount of \$6,000 had been given in this Union. District. He passed through Baltimore,

this case we learn, that Chaplin was brought down from Rockville last Thursday, under writ of habeas corpos, and taken before Judge Brewer at h Annapolis, Where Geo. H. Williams, of Baitimore, appeared with him as one of his counsel and gave the required bail as above stated. It is said that Gerrit Smith paid Democratic" candidate for President, at five thousand dollars of the bail. This has

> A hen-pecked husband says that, instead for she is 1 and he is 0.

Every time a man breaks a Divine Why is a street door like a barrel of he adds a thorn to the rol which he puts whiskey? Because it's frequently tapped. into pickle for his cwn back.

THE SUMTER BANNER. Sumterville, So. Ca.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1851. J. S. G. Richardson, Editor. Messrs. A. WHITE & Co., are

Agents for the Banner in Sumterville. 12 The Southern Rights Association for Claremont will meet at Sumterville on Monday the 6th inst.

Our Printers thought themselves bound o spend Christmas like all the world and the rest of mankind," and the consequence is, that we are compelled to omit publishing our outside this week. We throw ourselves upon the indulgence of our pat-

It will be seen, by reference to another column, that a subscriber "handles us without gloves." He is rather hard upon us, we think, inasmuch us it was a predecessor, who made the promises alluded to. Nevertheless, as every enterprise which has the good of our district for its aim, is regarded with interest by us, we thank him fd the bint. te Convention of the People.

The Agislature, at its last session, appointed the second Monday in February next for the election of Belg stes to a Convention of the people of South Carolina. Four are to be elected by Claremont Election County and three by Clareendon. But a few week s will clapse before the Freemen of South Carolina will be called upon to choose those who shall represent their Sovereigney who, arrayed in the People's Majesty, shall fix the destinies of this State, this gallant, is; Winnsborough, A. McCorquodale, E. his glorious State. Long ago, when Liberty yet was young, she delighted to tread these ver dant glades and sunny fields. She came over the great waters with those who endured not a tyrant's frowns or a tyrant's smiles. She nerved their hearts to meet the thronged dangers of the wilds; her smiles chased away the gloom of strangeness and cheered them while the forests melted down before their labors and the busy hum ofactive life possessed the domains of silence. The happy years glided noiselessly into the past and this people grew in greatness, and liberty still dwelt with them, their angel guest. A time of Sial came upon them, the sun went derve in clouds and no star forced one ray of Hope through the thick gloom but she still dwelt in light, and, when she went forth with them, darkness paled and fled before them. Fleets and armies thronged their borders and the minions of power would fain have manacled these free shores, but she derided them in the thunderings of Fort Moultrie and the responsive eclines of Ktng's Mountain proclaimed that Her Sprit too was there. The night was ended and the day dawned upon a free and independent people, a people without fear and without reproach. Virtue, Gentleness and Refinement were the Graces of their homes-Justice Courtesy and Magnanimity jarrdiated their name Scarborough; Shelby, O. A. Creitzburg; blooming in the youth of virtue and beauty, she Morganton, J. L. Shifford; McDowell Circuit, R. P. Franks; Lenoic, D. McDonald; Joined herself in amity with her sisters of comcuit, R. P. Franks; Lenoic, D. McDonald; Joined herself in amity with her sisters of comcuit, R. P. Franks; Lenoic, D. McDonald; Joined herself in amity with her sisters of comcuit, R. P. Franks; Lenoic, D. McDonald; Joined herself in amity with her sisters of comcuit, R. P. Franks; Lenoic, D. McDonald; Joined herself in amity with her sisters of comcuit, R. P. Franks; Lenoic, D. McDonald; Joined herself in amity with her sisters of comcuit, R. P. Franks; Lenoic, D. McDonald; Joined herself in amity with her sisters of comcuit, R. P. Franks; Lenoic, D. McDonald; Joined herself in amity with her sisters of comcuit, R. P. Franks; Lenoic, D. McDonald; Joined herself in amity with her sisters of comcuit, R. P. Franks; Lenoic, D. McDonald; Joined herself in amity with her sisters of comcurrence and the sister of comcurrence and the The glorious past had been one to them-the more glorious future should not be severed .-What was hers should not apart be hers, but their riches should be common. High up in the blue heavens have culminated their bright stars;

> iowed up their beams and found a land of freedom, a home of happiness. And other orbs circled up their bright courses and clustered round them, and Freedom's land expanded to a Continent, and from the Pacific to the Atlantic the fair sisters thought to send their kind greetings But, see! when the vision is brightest, and marring change comes over it. Has one star in that resplendent constellation exceeded and ter equals and perform her stated courses for their ons judgment on her, and falsely decreed her criminal. Shame be on them, that they have aspersed her fair fame and virgin honor. Shame be on them that they have robbed her of her own and called it righteous depravition, that they have shut her out ifrom her own possessions lest she contaminate the soil of Freedom. Oh, that it had been an enemy that had done this, that we might have forgiven him! But double shame be on her, if she, an associate, shall submit to be made menial; if she shall, with coward heart, kneel at the foot of an unholy judgmen; seat and draw over her brow the convict's cap; if she, who while in her cradle, like the infant Demi-God, throttled the monster, tyranny, shall,

now, in maturity's firmest vigor, hang her hands in palsied fear and leave her bosom open to his But shame is not, and cannot be, the heritage of Carolina's sons. While the Palmetto grows her honor must ever be untarnished. The proud power opposed to us is drawing nigher and nigher in its deadly array. The day and the hour of contest will soon be upon us. Called to assume our sovereignty, let us place the insignia of won by Samuel Wescott, Jersey City. sequence of the kind treatment we have power in the hands of the wisest and the braygiven the Hungarian refugees, officially est, that the great deeds of our fathers may not shame us when we look back upon their strughist in the New York Herald; C. J. Bollin, Curdy will not be instructed to go out of Columbia; G. W. Legg, Spartanburg; Dr. the country, until Mr. Huiseman renders and that as then South Caroline submitting to and that, as then, South Carolina submitting to no dis-honor, deterred by no danger, may safely pass through a night of gloom and emerge intenew and a happier day.

Senator Foote.

Some one of our exchanges, remarking upon the strenuous exertions recently made by this gentleman in behalf of the "Omnibus," begs to be informed if it is the same Foore that kicked

We can give our cotemporary the desired information. It is the same individual. Nor is this the only, or the most convincing evidence he has given us of the sincerity of his character. During the debate upon the Compromise, it having been asserted, that in pursuing the course that he did, he was misrepresenting the feelings and views of his constituents; this same gentleman indignantly repelled the base insinuation; declaring, that if any six (we believe we are correct as to the number) responsible probably saved Chaplin from the penitenti. cilizens of Mississippi were to signify their disary, as it is thought he will hardly appear approbation of his course, that he would forthwith vacate his seat in the Senate.

Mr. FOOTE must either have been influen by a spirit of vain boasting, in speaking thus; of he and his wife being one, they are ten; or he must have fondly imagined, that the love of Union would also overwhelm Mississippi, and the sincerity of his avowal, would not therefore be put to the test. It is certain at all events, that since that time, almost the whole

people of Mississippi, through the only channels given for the expression of public sentimentpublic meetings, the Press and the Legislature -have signified their disaprobation of his course; and it is equally certain, that Mr. FOOTE's seat in the Senate has not been vacated. His decalartion would seem to indicate, that he was a man of the finest sensibility; but his acts are wholly iuconsistent with that declaration, evincing an

utter want of pride, of truth and of dignity. With regard to the discontent of the people Mississippi, as expressed through their public meetings, he says, that it is but the ebulition of an effervescent excitement, which means nothing, and that the people of that State do not in reality know their own sentiments. But even granting, that they are in the full possession of that amount of intelligence, which it would seem is requisite to insure them in a knowledge of their own thoughts and wishes upon this particular subject, Mr. F. can only recognise, in the fact of his being invited home, the prevalence of that suicidical policy, which would induce the child to throw off the protection of the parent; and he gives the world to understand that the article, patriotism, enters much too largely into his composition to permit of his allowing his loved but unloving Mississippi to commit any act so subversive of her own interests, as that of ridding herself of his services.

With regard to the attacks of the Press, he professes a supreme contempt " for newspaper cribblers," intimating, that their shafts when aimed at so exalted an object as himself, are as harmless as the arrows of the Lilliputians.

With regard to the resolutions passed by the Legislature condemnatory of his course : he has the unblushing effrontery to assert, that the gentleman who compose that body, although enlightened and patriotic, are yet guilty of misrepresenting the people, in the passage of such resolutions. So that, when the Press and the Legislature declare, that Mr. FOOTE misrepresensents his constituents, they are themselves misrepresenting the people; and when the people themselves declare, that Mr. FOOTE misrepresents them, they do but misrepresent their own views and feelings. Surely this particular portion of the universe was never destined to figure upon canvas-so difficult is it of representation. But then does not some one represent it? Oh yes! Mr. FOOTE does. Happy Mississippi!-

happy in the possession of a servant who knows her better than she knows herself and loves her better than she loves herself. So others may think, and exclaim; but as for us, we are inclined to the opinion, that the case of Mississippi is much like that of " Sinbad, the sailor "that she has saddled herself with an "old man of the sea," and that it will take something more than words to dislodge him from his seat. The circumstances, attendant upon a sojonra

in Wasnington, are clothed with a degree of attractiveness far greater than that which invests the simpler features of the distant homestead; and the people of Mississippi may long in vain for the presence of their benefactor. Thoughts of home have no charms for him; nor can the touching plaint of the exile-" home, sweet home"-find a responsive echo in his bosom. He is determined to stay it out; and not all the allurements employed by the Syrens-not the picture of all his social enjoyments-not even the anticipation of the caresses to be had at the hands of the juvenile Feete-can move him from his determination-or from Washington.

[For the Baner.] Mr. EDITOR:-As the Election of Dale gates to the State Convented is to come off on the 2d. Monday in February next allow me the use of your columns, to bring to the notice of my Fellow Citizens the name of Matthew P. Mayes as eminently qualified to fill this distinguished post. Mr. Mayes will not only bring to this Convention a calm and dispassionate judgment, and integrity of character, as pure and unsullied as that of any man in our District, but will bring to it, a large experience in public life, with full knowledge of the duties and resconsibilities of his position. In short, Sir, I know no man in Claremont county, to whom I would sooner trust the rights and interests of her citizens than to Matthew P. Mayes. As the choice of Delegates to this Convention, should rest upon the highest grounds of principles, and the character and ability of those chosen to perform the great duty imposed upon them, I forbear saying any thing further at present. Such a choice, I am sure, would give general satisfaction to the people.

[For the Banner.] Scene .- Editor's Office. Editor seated by the able, pen in hand, and writing busily. A subscriber to his paper enters, and editor asks him to take a seat.

EDITOR.-Take a seat, Sir, by the fire ; cool weather this, but just such as we might expect; the old year has just expired, and the new yeer come in. What's the news, Sir !

SUBSCRIBER .-- Oh nothing particular; I thought would have a little chat with you, this morning, as the time has come to turn over a new leaf; and I thought a little plain country talk might help you on a little.

EDIT .-- Ah! much obliged to you, Sir. Will be very happy, indeed, to converse with you, on any subject which you can turn to my advan-

Sun .- So I thought. Now the subject is the SUMTER Banner.

EDIT .- Ah! what about that ! Is it not such a paper as you like! Is it not such a sheet as old Sumter may well boast of ! Is it not a thorough Southern rights paper ! Does it not, on all occasions, sustain the honor of South Carolina to its utmost ability? Does it not give all the news worth relating !

Sun .- Stop, Str. Your queries are too rapid. You divert my mind from its original thoughts, and I would like to talk leisurely. I would give you full credit for making a very good political newspaper; but you must recollect, Sir, there are some matters of local interest in which the people of Sumter are muchengaged; something else besider the advertising of Sheriff's sales, and the advertisements of your merchants ; these are all very good, and I insist upon you continuing to advertise them. But my object is, this new year's day, to remind you of a promise made years back, and which I am sorry to see you have neglected much. EDIT .- Ah! what's that?

Sun .- You engaged at the outset to bring

prominently before the people the importance of the Wilmington and Manchester Rail Road, to devote your columns li berally to its support to encourage it by all the means at your disposal, and in short, the people along the line of that enterprize were led to believe, that in the Sumter Banner, they would find a powerful auxilary. Now, Sir, have you kept this promise !

EDIT .--- I must, my dear Sir, plead guilty of

Sun .- Federal relations! federal relations! ! May the phruse be stricken from our Larguage! I am tired, Sir, of all this cant about the glorious union, and I want to see our District paper a little more Southern ; strictly southern, Sir; devoting more of its columns to our local interests, and in my humble opinion, it can advocate nothing better than the completion of the W. and

Edit .- I feel, my dear Sir, that the press might really have hastened the completion of this enterprise, and I scarcely know what apology make for my former neglect.

Sus .- Make none, Sir, but let our acts for the future, atone for your former neglect. Press upon the people, the importance of this Road : and do this often; not once a year, by making a short quotation from a Wilmington paper, but let it be done as it ought to be, by editorial addresses, &c; and then you may think you do the State some service.

Edit .- I will take your reproof in good part. and will endeavour to act upon your advise. The Road, I know, is slowly, too slowly, reaching completion; I know the capitalists abroad are not sufficiently awake to the advantages this enterprise offers them; I know that if they were from time to time informed of its progress; they would soon become better disposed to subscribe; I know, too, that without additional stock being taken, the Road will not likely be completed, and those of our citizens who have spent their money and labor upon the work will lose seriously, unless the Road is finished; and

Sun .- You'know enough, Sir, to awaken your dormant energies; rouse yourself and make your paper what it promised to be, the organ of Sumter District, the encourager of its enterprises By this course, you will regain the good opinion you have lost, and acquire, that of many which you do not now enjoy. Devote a portion of your paper to the encouragement of this Rail Road enterprise; give all the news that is in any way connected with it; note its progress from time to time; comment upon the work, and thereby create a spirit of rivalry amongst the contractors; stimulate them to greater exertions, and then, but not till thon, you will have discharged your duty to your patrons, and to the State.

CARRIER'S ADDRESS.

TO THE PATRONS OF THE SUMTER BANNER. Sumterville, December 25th, 1850. Oh! Christmas, bright Christmas, with joy do we hail thee.

Harbinger of fun and good cheer! With sounds of rejoicings and prayer we'll regale thee.

Then, welcome, thou visitor rare The sun, as he peeped o'er the tree-tops this morning. And turned his bright visage this way,

Received from the " b'hoys " of the village due

warning, That he could'n't at all shine to-day.

True to their word, "every son of a gun," Since then, has been burinng his powder: And, true to their creed-that in noise there is

Each tries, than the rest, to shout louder. Ha! b'hoys, you may stick to your "crackers'

and " rockets;" I'll hie to my patrons. I guess; To find out the state of their healths and their pockets,

And the principal item, that I have of news, is

Now, knowing your hatred for long-winded And liking for "saws," old and new.

I'll simply inculcate that adage, which teaches To "give the Devil his dae. Perhaps you're in doubt, as to what is my due-Good sense is acquired by re-

Good cents is the due that I'm needing. How full is this life, and all nature of change ! There's change, both for good and for evil; Phore's change in my patrons; but-is it not

strange !-There's none in the purse of their Devil. So changeless a life is a great bore, I think ; I long something new to begin-For instance-I'm sick of your types and your

ink. And longing to "handle your tin." Plank up "-and to me thou wilt ever be dear; To thee I will ever be civil;

Refuse-and there's one, who your meanness Won't spare : Would'st see him !--then, "go to the-Printer's boy."

Ah! hard as the life is, and dull as the trade is, One pleasure I have, without cloy; Tis the thought, that those angels sans wings, velent ladies.

Are kind to the poor printer boy.

Sweet ladies, to you I have only to say, Let smiles be the meed of my verses; Ahem !--but, of course, if you wish to you may Both open your hearts and your purses.

And now you've a chance the good teacher to The case of the "Widow" I cite-For, the you're not made-as the moon is-of

You surely can throw in your mite. To all, in conclusion; I've tickled your leisure With a harsh and rough jingle of rhymes ;

And now, if you're willing, I'll listen with To a heart-tickling jingle of dimes.

*My name-at your service.

contains the message in full of the President of the French Republic. Under the same head (of foreign affairs) he says,

what it may be of some importance to those engaged in getting up another expedition against Cuba-if any such there be -to know. These are his words: "As soon as the French Government was informed of the criminal attempt upon Cuba by certain adventurers, we sent an additional force to the commander of the

his efforts with those of the Spanish authorities, for the purpose of preventing further attempts of the kind." Those who engage, therefore, in that kind of business, hereafter, will not only have the Spanish naval force to encounter but that of France also, and of England, too, we have no doubt. So says the Balti-

"Oh! ah! how very strange, that one goose can suckle so many goslings," exclaimed Miss Josephine Amelia Oliva Auneglect, gross neglect; but really our federal gusta, while paying a visit to her country

more Nun.

WILLOW GROVE, Dec. 21, 1850. Mr. Editor:-The following is a list of the Officers appointed for this District, at the late session of the Legislature, which you will please publish and oblige.

Yours very Respectfully, J. D. ASHMORE, MAGISTRATES.

James A. Carnes, John D. Jones and H. H. Wells COMMISSIONERS FREE SEROOLS. Wm. J. Reynolds, G. W Lec, John O. Heriot, R. L. Heriot, H. H. Wells, J. W. Stuck-

ey and John Frierson. CLAREMONT BOARD COMMISS'ES OF ROADS. John J Moore, William Nextles, Win. N. White, Robt. L. McLeod, Levi Burkett, C. C. Jackson, Jas. W. Rembert, Isaac N. Lenoir, John N. McLeed, John S. Bradford, Mason H. Reams and Turner Davis.

SALEM BOARD COMMISSIONERS OF ROADS. J. W. Stuckey, Stephen Lucoste, J. E. Witherspoon, John E. Muldrow, John S. Bradley, H.G. Witherspoon, W. A. Muldrow, Ezekiel Keels, Hosea Wilson, R. S. McFadden, S. E. D. Johnson, James M. Baker and A. H. Thompson.

MANAGERS OF ELECTIONS SPRING HILL. James Corbett, Sen

Telegraphic Intelligence. Reported for the Charleston Courier. BALTIMORE, Dec. 27.

Wash'n time 23th, 10.20 P. M .- Ch'tn 10.20 P. M. New- York Market, Dec. 27. The Cotton market to-day was firm, and he sales amounted to 1200 bales.

General Matters. Inited States for South-Carolina. Robert Smith was arrested in Philadelphia to-day, charged with an assault for

aiding the arrest of Gibson, a fugitive slave. BALTIMORE, Dec. 27. Wash'ton, Dec. 28-10.05 P. M.-Ch'ton, 10.25

Accident to Steam Ship Ohio.
The steam ship Ohio reached Norfolk on Thursday afternoon, in distress. She had 300 passengers on board, and one million of gold. Both the Engineers [Engines?] were disabled, and she was obliged to lie to off Cape Hatteras 60 hours, on account of the rough sea. All hands were called to the pumps, and were in momentary expectation of sinking. The damage to the boat is estimated at 30,000 dollars. She will remain at Nortolk awaiting orders. The passengers and mails are all safe, and have gone North, via this city. The scene on board is described as being terrible.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 29. Wash'ton time, Dec. 29, 7 50 P. M.—Ch'ton Dec. 29, 8 P. M.

New-York Market, Dec. 28. The sales to-day reached 1200 bales, with fair Uplands at 13 7-8, and Or cons 14 1-2. The week's business foots up 10,500 bales. The Rice market is quiet, only 400 tierces having been sold. Prime is quoted at 35.8.

Secting 10 1-2. The Market

Corres .- The transactions on Saturday pockets,
And orge the Cenegures the Tree, is last reached some 1507 bales. Prices as a reached some 1507 bales. Prices as a reached some 1507 bales. Prices as a reached some 1507 bales. Prices as the found of the price of the same to the point of the party of the prices of the price of the prices of the price

Distressing Casualty.

The Passenger Car on the Charlotte Rail Road, was thrown from the track yesterday morning 2 th, directly over Elkin's Mill Pond, 10 miles from Columbia, by which means several lives have been lost

And, as I have, weekly, brought reading to you, many of the passengers more or less injur-It appears from what we have learned that one of the breaks attached to the passenger Car broke and fell upon the track which threw the Car off and in its fall turned so that the bottom of the Car was uppermost in the water, which caused serious

difficulty in the way of escape for the passengers.
The following is a statement of the killed and wounded as far as we could ascer-

N. Gibson. Agent of the Co., killed. A child of Mr. 11. Powell, killed. A Negro girl the property of a Mr. Lyles, killed. Gen. Win. A. Owens, and to be seriously

injured, and compelled to return to Columbia. E. G. Palmer, Sr., President of the Com-

pany, severely injured.

Gen. Owens' son, seriously injured. J. R. Shariev, seriously injured. J. Leitner, seriously injured. Several lady passengers were more or

less scratched and bruised, but not seriously. Great praise is due Mr. P. P. Chambers. of Columbia, and Mr. J. E. Dunlap, of York District, passengers, who at the risk of their lives, with the assistance of others, a ded in rescuing from a watery grave several of the passengers, who would otherwise have perished.

The Cuba Expeditionists.

The New-Orleans True Delta of the 18th inst., says:-The question was yesterday argued before Judge McCaleb, presiding in the United States Circuit Court, as to whether Gen. Henderson, could have his trial immediately, and the Court pass over Lonez and the others who have put in pleas in abatement. District Attorney Hunton was willing to go to trial at once, but would insist that Gen. Lopez should be PRESIDENT BONAPARTE ON THE CUBAN tried first, and as his counsel refused to go Expedition.—The Courier des Etats Unis to trial until a decision was had on the plea of abatement, the argument was lengthy. The Judge is to give his decision to-day .-

> SEE HERE .- Dr. Turnbull has discovered a remedy for short-sightedness, by the application of an extract of ginger to the forehead, so as to effect the fitth pair

"Well, captain," reposed Cuff, wiping West India station, with orders to unite his mouth with the nether end of his shine ing coat sleeve, "I'se bery dry, so I won't be ugly bout it. Some niggers is too proud to drink wild a milishy ossifer -but I tink a milishy ossifer-when he's soberis jis as good as a nigger-specially if de nigger's dry."

> LAUGHABLE .-- A Yankee editor says he "like to died a larfin," to see a drinkin' chap tryin' to pocketthe shadow of a swingin sign for a pocket handkerchief.

A BRUSH .- It is said that Barnum is in full chase after a few hairs taken from a brush between a party of Americans and