

J.S. RICHARDSON, JR. EDITORS. JOHN R. LOGAN, EDITORS. WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 1854.

Persons wishing to see us upon business connected with the Paper or Law, can find us at any hour during the day, except from four to five in the afternoon, at our office, just back of Solomon's New Store.

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Notice. We are requested to give notice that the Rev. Mr. BEALER will preach in the Temperance Hall on Saturday night and Sunday next.

Provisions Wanted. Fresh meats of all kinds are in demand and very scarce. Beef is sold this morning at 10 cents per pound. Chickens at 25 cents, &c. Bring up your catables.

"Wesley." On our first page, will be found an able and tasteful communication over the signature of "Wesley," which we recommend not only to the candidates for State honors in Charleston County, but to the citizens of Sumter District and our readers generally.

Another Scholarship. We recorded, a few weeks since, the establishment of a scholarship in the South Carolina College by HIRSH HERRINGSON Esqr., and are now gratified in seeing it announced that another, making the fourth, has just been established by R. P. W. ALLISTON, the present President of the State Senate.

The Black River Watchman. The dull monotony of our sanctum life was pleasantly broken in upon, and cheered on yesterday by the presence of the gentlemanly and good looking junior Editor of the Watchman, whom, en passant, we recommend to all the marriageable ladies in the District—all he wants is a wife.

Cuba. There is no doubt, but that our present relations with Spain, in regard to the island of Cuba, are of a serious and critical character and fraught with deep and special interest to the Southern States of the Union, who have up to this time remained passive spectators and disapproving judges of the filibustering attempts from the North for the acquisition of this rich key to our Pacific possessions.

The Latest News. The latest news, which has been received by telegraph through Charleston, is of quite an interesting character. In Europe the cotton markets had advanced 1-8th of a penny and flour slightly declined.

The House of Representatives. The House of Representatives continued in session throughout last night and to-day till midnight, on the Nebraska Bill. The time was chiefly consumed in making motions to adjourn, calling up the sleepy members, and running through the list of yeas and nays, on each motion, the object being to defeat the measure under consideration.

The Crops. We have put ourselves to no little trouble, during the past week, in making inquiries about the growing crops and obtaining correct accounts. The result of these is by no means favorable for the planter. Cotton has not yet recovered from the blighting effects of the last frost and those who have seed are replanting; the fields, which we have personally viewed, present a parched appearance. Corn and other grain crops are rapidly recuperating and want only June rains, to make heavy yields.

Newton's Express. The above is the title of a new paper to be published monthly at Cincinnati, Ohio. Price 25 cents per annum in advance. The Express comes to us a large, neat and well filled sheet, and we have no doubt it is richly worth the price.

The S. C. Temperance Advocate. We see by the last Temperance Advocate that THOMAS J. WARREN has discontinued his connection as Editor and Proprietor of that paper. MR. WARREN will issue weekly from the office of the Camden Journal an edition of that paper, in which a department for Temperance may be found.

Correspondence of the Banner. NEW YORK, May 11th, 1854. MESSRS. EDITORS: The Literary world has been in suspense for some time awaiting the result of the libel suit of Forrest vs. Willis—damages being laid at \$20,000.

The Court Martial for the trial of Major Wise has not yet adjourned. Public feeling is in favor of Major W., and according to the testimony thus far given, we think he will be acquitted.

Excuse this hurried scrawl. "A better time is coming" in the way of news items we hope. YOUR REPORTER.

WASHINGTON, MAY 15, 1854. MESSRS. EDITORS: The struggle on the Nebraska Bill has commenced at last in real earnest. On Monday morning last, the House met and the various petitions, Committee reports and resolutions were taken up.

Majority in favor 23. Now the question has been fairly brought up, we hope to see it settled at once but fear that this will, by no means, be the case. Every member feels bound to say something, and three fourths of them start from the time of the Flood or begin with the famous Missouri compromise and end—no where. To clear the galleries now, just let it be announced that the Nebraska Bill is before the House.

For the Banner. MESSRS. EDITORS: It has become quite common late for travellers to give the public through the press an inkling of some things they see and sometimes they hear" while on their journey, and although many of these are noted little interest to the general reader yet occasionally we get an item news from this source which proves to be the very thing wanted.

The mistake of course was unintentional and no doubt occurred with the reporter to the first mentioned paper. We call attention to this fact that those who may have read the proceedings as first published in these papers, may be corrected by the result of this communication.

The committee to whom was referred the preparation of business for the Convention, and to whom were also referred various resolutions, report that they have attended to that duty, and ask to submit the result of their consultations.

Resolved, That we have been much gratified with the presence of that distinguished friend of temperance and immortality, the Rev. Dr. John Chambers, of Philadelphia.

Resolved, That we return our thanks to Mr. James Puchman for the use of the Carolina Hall.

Temperance Convention—Official Proceedings. The want of room will prevent our publishing the entire proceedings of this Convention. We make, however, the following extract from the "Official Proceedings" as published in the Carolina of the 5th inst.

The committee believe that the people of the State are ready to unite in any measure of prohibition which will destroy the retail system. Every one in any way connected with its operation knows that it is the parent of drunkenness, crime, madness, pauperism, misery and death.

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Greeley's Military Women. The public demonstrations of women at the North have assumed so many shapes and have been addressed to so many objects that one might have supposed it impossible to ingenuously devise a novelty.

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