

been levied. This ad valorem tax on the lands is levied on an estimate of their value, which in most instances is very greatly below their real value—and slaves may be stated at an average value of three hundred dollars, so that in fact lands and slaves do not pay one third of the tax imposed on stock in trade, and your committee believe a corresponding taxation prevails in all the Southern and South Western States.

H. BOGAN" was printed by mistake for "JOSEPH H. BOGAN." In the Committee of TEN, the name of Mr. J. B. ROWLAND, of Macon, was inadvertently omitted.

OPINION.—The Burlington (Vt.) Free Press, says:—"A singular instance of resuscitation from the effects of this drug occurred in this place last week. On Tuesday of last week, Pannemus Huntoon, who was recently committed to jail in this town on a charge of purloining money from the Essex post office, it seems procured half an ounce of opium, and on Tuesday evening took a pill containing 120 grains! On Wednesday he was found in a state of utter insensibility, so far as external senses were concerned, and presenting the only appearance of a man "gloriously drunk." In this situation he remained till Friday evening, a period of five full days. In the mean time our best physicians had been in constant and in vain exhausted the usual remedies. We believe it was concealed on all hands that he must die. On Friday afternoon, Dr. Heinberg—a bold operator—was persuaded to make a last effort. We are not apprised of the particulars of the operation; nor is it material, as the case will probably be reported for the medical journals.

CHERAW GAZETTE. FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 26, 1839. The PEE DEE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY will meet at the Planters' Hotel in this town on Saturday, the 11th of May, at 11 o'clock. We understand that quite a number of planters, from the surrounding districts and counties, who had not been informed of the meeting which formed the society in time to attend it, expect to be present.

From the National Intelligencer. EDITOR'S CORRESPONDENCE. New York, April 15. The Great Western was off the Hook last night, and reached the wharf this morning. Her passage has been a long one of 23 1-2 days, having sailed on the night of the 23d ult. She has not had a fair day, but has struggled with strong westerly gales, and her paddles show signs of a hard conflict. She brings out 109 passengers, among whom are officers of the British Army for the Canadas, Judge Haliburton, the Hon. Mr. Canard, of Nova Scotia, and the Gambles, of Florida. Mr. Kay, a Government messenger, is also a passenger.

our State stocks. Some people are constantly starting doubts about the credit of our State stocks being maintained in Europe. We can see no foundation for such doubts. Governments are trusted in Europe which are incomparably less stable than the Governments of our States, and who never borrowed money for any other purpose than to enable them to desolate their own or some other country; while our money is all expended in aiding to the resources of the States which borrow it. Their money is like water spilt upon the ground which cannot be gathered up, or, rather, like fire which burns up all that is useful; while ours is expended in public works, which afford a direct revenue for the payment of interest on their cost, while, by their indirect influence, they spread wealth on every side. Our confederated States guaranty to each State a Republican Government, and the honor and credit of each State is so interwoven with the honor and credit of all the other States in this respect, without incurring the deep displeasures of every member of the Confederation. As to the ability of the rising empires of the West to pay the interest on debts contracted for public works or to constitute bank capitals, no one can doubt. That ability, we are confident, will always be exerted.

On motion of Judge LONGSTREET, the consideration of the several reports and resolutions was postponed until to-morrow, at 10 o'clock, A. M., to which time the Convention adjourned. RICHARD YEADON, Jr., Secretary.

PHILOSOPHY. The most perfect sample I ever met, was an old woman who was apparently the poorest and most forlorn of the human species; so true is the maxim which all profess to believe, and none act upon invariably, viz: that all happiness does not depend on outward circumstances. The wise woman to whom I have alluded, walks to Boston, a distance of 20 or 30 miles, to sell a bag of brown thread and stockings, and then patiently walks back again with her little gains. Her dress, though filthy, is a grotesque collection

of shreds and patches; coarse in the extreme. "Why don't you come down in a wagon?" said I, when I observed she was soon to become a mother, and was evidently wearied with her long journey. "We ha'n't got any horse," she replied; "the neighbors are very kind to me, but they can't spare their'n; and it would cost as much to hire one, as all my thread will come to."

Summary of Foreign Intelligence. Accounts from various parts of England speak favorably of the agricultural prospects. The income of the British Museum during the past year, (including parliamentary grants,) amounted to £33,447 12s. and the expenditure to £30,905 13s. 9d. The estimate of the expenditure for the present year is £32,390.—The number of visitors who have been admitted to visit the British Museum during the year 1838, as compared with the three previous years, has considerably diminished. In 1837 the number of visitors admitted to view the general collections in the Museum amounted to 321,151; in 1838 to 466,003. The number of visits to the reading-rooms for the purpose of study and research was 69,936 in 1837, and only 54,843 in 1838. The number of visits by students and artists to the galleries of sculpture for the purpose of study was 5570 in 1837, and 5015 in 1838.

Wilkinson, April 19.—Death.—Joseph Dupre, Portuguese, was killed on the 15th inst., in attempting to jump from the tender attached to one of the locomotives while under full head way. The driving wheel having been thrown off the track, it is supposed that Jose overwhirled with consternation, a tempest to leap off, but was thrown upon his head, and had his neck broke. If he had remained upon the tender he would not have been hurt, as the engine was immediately stopped by the engineer before any other wheel ran off.

OURAGE.—A gang of fellows in the town of Pottsville, Monroe, Co. N. Y., some time last week, undertook to punish an intemperate man named Louis Talf, for getting drunk. They got him upon a rail, and by frequently letting him fall, bruised and injured him so much about the breast and bowels that he died in forty eight hours.

QUARRIES UNDER THE CITY OF PARIS.

The ascertained extent of the quarries under the surface of Paris is 674,800 metres, or about two hundred acres:—viz., under the public roads or streets 182,850, and under the other parts of the city 491,950; but it is probable that they extend to a much greater superficies. Judging by variations of the surface, by the fissures which have taken place, and by those which are still occasionally occurring, it may be presumed that these excavations occupy about one sixth of the sub-surface of the capital. The galleries which have been traced under the public ways are in length upwards of twenty-five thousand metres; but this is small in proportion to the length of those which are under other parts of the surface. The quarries under which the principal portion of these quarries lie, are the Fauburgs St. Marcel, St. Jacques, St. Germain, and Chaillot.

THE BOUNDARY QUESTION.

We are enabled to state, on what we believe to be good authority, that such instructions have been transmitted to her Britannic Majesty's minister at Washington, by the Great Western, as will obviate the necessity of sending a special minister to London. The seat of negotiations for the final adjustment of the boundary question is transferred from London to Washington; and those negotiations will be pressed to a definite conclusion.

THE GREAT WESTERN.

The Great Western's news continues to have a cheering effect upon all business men. Stocks are going up as fast as they can conveniently travel. The cotton holders are the most delighted of all. Several houses here, it is probable, would have gone by the board, if the cotton news had been unfavorable, the fall of whom would have dragged over others. Now, they have made their thousands; and such are the chances of trade. U. S. Bank to-day is 115, a rise of 2 per cent. since Saturday; and 2 and 3 per cent. is the general rise on nearly all stocks.

THE NEW YORK EVENING STAR.

The New York "Evening Star" remarks that it has been assured by intelligent gentlemen who arrived in the Great Western, that, among the People of England, the Government, and all classes, the idea of going to war with this country is deemed perfectly preposterous; that rather than it should take place, they would see the whole territory sunk into the ocean; that they look upon it as a border dispute, in which the feelings of the two countries are not involved; and that, as it is a mere question of land, and not of honor, it may be easily adjusted, and cannot in any way lead to hostilities between two great and kindred nations whose hearts and interests are indissolubly united.

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