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ABBEVILLE C. H. FRIDAY, - - - - MARCH, 21, 1856.

An obituary, with several other matters designed for this issue, are unavoidably deferred to our next.

WE are indebted to a friend for a portion termined to leave the former out of the bill of the little editorial matter we present in this week's issue.

SEE the alteration in advertisement of Messre, LEONARD & ADAMS, Daguerreans. These gentlemen are now ready to supply pictures of the first quality, and at low prices. Give them a call.

RODINSON & ELDRED are coming with their circus and other shows. They have recently exhibited for two weeks consecu tively before immense andiences in Charles ton; and, judging from the tone of the press there, gave great satisfaction. They promise to do as much for the people up here as they did for the city folk. See advertisement.

Snow to the depth of two inches was seen in Chesterville on the 14th inst.

DAVID DICKBON VERY Severely stabled JOHN MAJORS with a knife, at Anderson C. II., on the 10th instant.

ADVICES from Kansas, says a dispatch to the Carolinian, states that the Federal authorities were about to arrest the Free State officers.

CORN in Nashville, Tennessee, on the 12th inst., was quoted from fifteen to tweny S. C., we are told, it is now worth fifty cents.

An interesting letter from Washington to the Charleston Mercury will be found on our first page. We have observed nothing of special interest in the Congressional proceedings since the date of that letter.

WE are indebted to some friend for a copy of the Annual Catalogue of the South Carolina College. From it we learn that there were, at the time it was prepared, a total of one hundred and eighty students in the College, viz : resident graduates, 8 ; se nior class, 44 ; junior class, 40 ; sophomore class, 65; freshman class, 23.

THE Bivingsville Factory, in Spartanburg District, with twelve hundred acres of land belonging to it, was recently sold by the Sheriff for \$19:500. In 1845 the same property sold for more than three times that amonnt.

A MAN by the name of GOBSETT WAS convicted of negro-stealing, at the late term of Court for Union District. And another, by the name of M. COMBS. in Columbia,

Ws are informed that the sum of three hundred dollars, in cush, has been received from Greenwood by the Kansas Committee, and that other portions of the District are

have already enrolled themselves as emi-

A PERSONAL difficulty, between Maj EARLE, of the Anderson Gazette, and Dr. METTS, of Union District, growing out of a rather intemperate newspaper discussion of the Cincinnati Convention subject, we learn, assumed somewhat of a threatening character one day last week. "Pistols and coffee" were talked of, but it was finally de-

of fare. We look for a "card" from the "Board of Honor," to whom the matter has been referred, in a few days.

A LETTER from Senator EVANS, as also an editorial article from the Carolina Spartan, on the question of representing South Carolina in the Democratic Convention, appear in other columns of this week's Press, to which we invite the attention of the people of this District. A meeting will cover. be held, we suppose, on sale-day, with a view to representing the people of Abbeville, or such portion as desire to be represented, in the May Convention, and it is proper that every citizen should take some interest in the subject. It is an important one, and should be considered in the light of present circumstances, and not in reference to the

"time-honored policy" of the past.

#### Ho! for Kansas!

We are requested by the Committee ap pointed to get subscriptions to aid emi grants to Kansas to say to the citizens of the District, that they are now ready to this truly Southern cause ;- that many

young men of the first respectability and standing in the District have announced themselves as ready to leave for Kausas, as soon as the funds to bear their expenses are cents per bushel. And at Anderson C. II., raised. So, come forward, ye lovers of Southern institutions, and show your faith by your works. If you can't go yourselves

you can give something to aid those who can. Now, or never! All agree that the destiny of the South hangs upon Kansas, If it should become a slave State, we shall have peace for the future; but if a free State, God only knows what will be the

consequence. We, the Southern States, can make it a slave State, if we will ; and if we should neglect to do so, having the power, we will deserve our fate, be it what it may.

So, let every citizen give something. We see that some of our citizens have done nobly, by giving one hundred dollars each A few hundreds of these sort of men, and

enough of the right sort of emigrants, will be taken. But there is certainly no time to be lost. The work has been delayed long enough already, if it is intended to do anything at all.

Above all, we would say, let reliable and rustworthy emigrants be enlisted. No other sort should be sent on such a mission.

Ernest Linwood. Os a late visit to New

#### [FOR THE INDEPENDENT PRESS.] A Warning to Farmers.

Messrs. Editors : I think it proper to set forth a few facts, as near as I can, accorfreely contributing. We learn, also, that ding to the information that I have received, channel. As was recently said by the six most respectable and reliable young men and leave it to your wisdom and prudence

ent Press or not. My design in stating these facts is the benifit of any (if there to special action a sovereign State. The should be such) who may have as little information as I had of the harm which cows the dignity of statesmanship. are liable to sustain by enting sweet potatoes, when decayed or partially so.

Recently I had some potato banks opend, and found them largely decayed. There was a considerable amount of them thrown out to the hogs. The mileh cows and stock cattle got to them and ate. How many, I sage, which is mostly devoted to a review know not. The cattle were in good keeping. and likely ate heartily of them. Nor should I have prevented it had I been pres-

ent, as I never had heard, that I can recollect, of decayed potatoes injuring cattle. Soon after they had ate of the potatoes one and another were taken sick, and in less than a week seven head died. Ten in all were made sick, but three are likely to re-

We used every remedy that we and our friends thought of, but nothing relieved the poor suffering animals. They appeared to be in great distress from a difficulty in little excitement on the border, and 100 breathing ; and after they were dead, upon ppening two of them, their langs were found to be bully congesetd. We never could attribute their sickness to anything other than he use of the potato in a decayed conlition.

If you are disposed to insert these facts, and any one should take warning from it. and use sufficient caution to prevent the like among their stock. I am sure that I shall be gratified, and shall be left to feel receive money, or subscriptions, to aid in that I have a ted (I hope) with proper fidelity towards my fellow men.

JOEL W. TOWNSEND. Cokesbury, S. C., March 15, 1856.

#### Anti-Convention Fallacies.

It is a favorite argument with those wh oppose representation in the Cincinnati Conention that the South will but go there to gister the edicts of the northern majory, ionsmuch as the non-slaveholding States vill number 176 electoral votes to 120 from the Southern States.

Let us look into the matter, and see how much reliance is to be placed on an argument so ad cantandum

The very object of holding conventions is to harmonize discordant opinions and unite distracting elements. Such being the purpose, of course it is with a view to sucess, else the trouble and expense would never be icurred of traversing great distanes, neglecting business, and submitting to incident annoyances and discomforts.

Out of the twenty one States that held elections in 1855 fourteen went Democratc. Excluding slave-holding States, let us put down those Northern States of this number, and judge from the figures our make Kansas a slave State, if prompt action chance in the Presidential election of again bed with his brother at the house of Mr. becoming victorious in them.

ty of 10,000 ; Illinois 20,000 ; Maine -Indiana 11,000; New Jersey —; Wis-consin 1,000. Here are six Northern alert, and yesterday they got upon his trail, States reasonably certain for the Democratic and overtook him as above stated. He was nominees, and wielding an electoral vote of put in the Penitentiary for robbing the 71. Besides these, how ver, the probabil- Georgia railroad. He was remanded to ity is strong that New York, New Hamp-shire, and Michigan will also be carried by ities at Milledgeville can be heard from. the same party-swelling the Northern sup-port to 117 votes. So that instead of 176

possess no power. It is both untrue and absurd to assert that the sovereign Statebe it South Carolina or any other-is thus chained to the car of party, or bound to direct her electoral support in the indicated Charleston News, only the party participawhether to publish them in the Independ- ting in convention is represented, and the State; no mass of population, without sanction of recognized authority, can bind contrary assumption is clapirap, and beneath

Kansas Affairs.

# Sr. Louis, March 12.-The Republican'

orrespondent telegraphs that the Kansas Legi-lature met and organized at Topeka on the 4th inst. Gov. Robinson, in his mes of the history of Kansas, says it is under stood that the United States Deputy Marshal was privately instructed to arrest members of the Legislature, and resistance would be offered-not a finger would be raised against the Federal Government's authority until there was no hope but in revolution. He calls for military organization against the scalping knife of the west and the revolution in the east.

The Independence correspondent telegraphs that the Free Legislature adjourned o Lawrence, and was still in session there on Saturday. Governor Shannon had gone there to ascertain what was being done, and violence was apprehended. There is some Sharp's rifles and two pieces of caunon had been intercepted at Lexington, and were being held by the citizens subject to the orders of Governor Shanon.

### The State Agricultural Society.

TO THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH CAROLINA -The Secretary is ready to receive the sub eriptions of Life Membership, due on the 1st of January, 1850, at the Society Room-Columbia, S. C. Books for subscription to Life Memberships, Annual Memberships and the "South Carolina Agriculturist," ar spened for the reception of names.

FOR A LIFE MEMBERSHIP of \$25 th ubscribers will receive scrip, which will entitle them to the freedom of the Society as Members and Exhibitors, and a copy of the paper. If the Society should ever be discontinued, the original fee will be returned, and the interest only will be used. ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP of 82 entitles the Member to a ticket of admission to the Fair during the week, and the privilege of xhibiting without charge.

The subscription to "The South Cano-LINA AGRICULTURIST" is \$1 per annum, in dvance. Vide prospectus.

Gentlemen in various parts of the State vill be designated hereafter, who will reive subscriptions of Life Membership, and eliver scrip for the same, I would thank he papers of the State to copy, or notice ditorially, the information contained A. G. SUMMER. dure. Secretary and Treasurer S. A. Society.

Columbia, S. C.

ARREST OF AN ESCAPED CONVICT.-

bout 10 o'clock last night officers McDow-Il and Twohill arrested Calvin Lowis, an scaped convict from the Penitentiary at Milledgeville, Georgia. He was found in Veroney on Line street. About a week a-Pennsylvania gave a Democratic majori- go the Mayor received a handbill describ ing said Lewis, as an escaped convict, since

Charleston

It is estimated that the clergy cost the Juited States six million dollars a year; he criminals twelve millions; the dogs ten millions, and the lawyers thirty-five millions, The man who feels himself ignorant

should at least be modest.

A Number One Negro for Sale. A GIRL, fifteen years of age, well grown perfectly sound and healthy, and an excelent hoe-hand, (never has been used to plow.) is offered for sale. Apply to Mr. F.

# MARKETS.

P. ROBERTSON, Auctioneer.

ABBEVILLE, March 20-Corros .- The mount offered during the past week has not exceeded 200 bales, most of which was taken at prices ranging from 8 to 92. A fair article will be readily taken at 91.

COLUMBIA, March 19 .- COTTON .- Weather being unfavorable yesterday, but little was done in the cotton market. Prices range from 8 to 94 extremes.

CHARLESTON, March 18.—Sales of cotton o-day amount to 3,450 bales, at 82 a 101. No report from Hamburg market this

CONSIGNEES. The following persons have freight in the Depot at Abbeville :---

H A Jones, C T Haskel, J A Hunter, M Israel H A Jones, C T Haskel, J A Hunter, M Israel & B, Lonax & Cobb, N Krox, Wier & Miller, R II Wardhaw, H W Lawson, Wardhaw & L, H Durant, R H Wardhaw & Son, W J Taylor, J A Allen, R Wearn, E J Taylor, O T Porcher, E L Patton, J A I yon, P Gnillard (care J Lew-is), S Ashire, Towars, T C Perrin, W B Dorn, D J Jordan, J T ! A Gites. D. R. SONDLEY, Ag't.

11 POTATOES.

March 18, 1856

# COUNTRY BACON.

3,000 Lbs. choice Country Bacon, well dried, in store and for sale low for Cash only by II. S. KERR. March 18, 1856

DRY HIDES WANTED. 1,000 Dry Ilides, in good order, will be taken in Trade, or at the highest Cach Prices, by II. S. KERR, Cash Prices, by March 18, 1856.

#### ESTRAY MULE.

WILLIAM A. MOORE, living near this place, tolls before supposed to be about twenty years old, and badly wind broken, appraised by John W. Su-ber, John C. C. Allen and John H. Connor, at ten dollars, S. E. GRAYDON, their respective Parade Grounds, viz: The Upper Battalion at Drake's Old, Field, on Saturday, the 3d of May next ; Saturday, the 10th of May. and instruction. Magistrate. 46-ff Captains commanding Beat Companies will order out the Proneers in their respective com-Cokesbury, March 17, 1856

### Citation.

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA. ABBEVILLE DISTRICT. By WILLIAM IIILL, Esq., Ordinary of Abbe

ville District : WHEREAS G. W. Huckabee has applied

The Jocasse Band will attend at Drake's on the 3d, and the Cokesbury Band at Chalk Level on the 1uth of May, by 10 o'clock s.m. Lieut. Col. Clinkscales is charged with the exten ion of this Order in the Upper Battalion; and, in the absence of Maj. Hodges, Capt. J. W. Foshee with its extension in the Lower Bat-talion. to me for Letters of Administration on all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits of lienry F. Power, late of the

By order of Col. T. J. ROBERTS. J. J. ADAMS, Adj't. District aforesnid, deceased : These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of said deceased, to be and appear before me, at our next Ordinary's Court for the said District, BY virtue of sundry Writs of Fiera Facias to me directed, I will sell at Abbeville Court House, on the first Monday in April next, within the legal hours of sale, the followto be holden at Abbeville Court House, on the Fifth day of April next, to show cause, if any, why the said a ministration shou d any, why me ing property. to wit :

ot be granted. Given under my hand and seal, this twen tieth day of Marth, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, and in the eightieth year of American

Independence. W. HILL, O. A. D. March 20, 1858

State Agricultural Society. HE LIFE MEMBERS of the above ety, living in Abbeville District, are re-quested to make payment of their dues to Col. J. F. MARSHALL, who is authorized to receive and receipt for the same. A. G. SUMMER, Treasurer S. A. S. 40.2t

March 19, 1856 10,000 Lbs. Beeswax Wanted.

IIE Subscriber will pay the highest price in Trade for Ten Thousand Pounds of Beeswax H. S. KERR. March 18, 1856 46-11

Citation. STATE OF SOUTH CARODLINA. ABBEVILLE DISTRICT.

By WILLIAM HILL, Esq., Ordinary of Abbeville District :

HEREAS, Geo. McDuffie Watson has ap-I plied to me for Letters of Administration all and singular the goods and chaton all and singular the goods and the tels, rights and credits of Margaret Watson, late

tels, rights and credits of Diargaret Watson, late of the District aforesaid, deceased : These are, therefore, to cito and admonish all and eingular the kindred and creditors of said deceased, to be and appear before me, at our next Ordinary's Court for the said District, a baland at blowills Court for the said District, to be holden at Abbeville Court House, on the

to be holden at Abbeville Court House, on the Third day of April next, to show cause, if any, why the said administration should not be granted. Given under my hand and seal, this seven-teenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, and in the eightieth year of American Inducations. Independence.

W. HILL, O. A. D.

# NEW & CHEAP GOODS TOR SALLE.

MIE Undersigned has now on hand, and will A offer at private sale until sale day in April, at his residence, near the Jail, a lot of new and elegant DRY GUODS, consisting of WORSTED DRESS GOODS, MUSLINS, GINGHAMS, OIL CALICOES, &c.;

BOOTS.

SHUES, CAPS, &c., &c., &c.

RDER NO.

The public are respectfully invited to call, tamine and buy.

pril will be offered at public auch Abbeville C. H., March 20, 1866. 46-tf

Head Quarters,

Sixth Regiment S. C. Militia,

THE Upper and Lotter Battalions, compri-

L sing the Sixth Regiment South Carolina Militia, will Parade for Drill and Review at

The Lower Battalion at Chalk Level, on

med, will attend the day previous for drill

The Jocasse Band will attend at Drake's on

Sheriff's Sales.

The Officers, - commissioned and non-

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was found guilty of the murder of a City Marshal named CRoss, and sentenced to be hanged.

WE noticed, in some of our exchanges a short while since, in a report of proceedings in the Pittsburg Abolition-Islack-Republican Convention, the name of one Mr. Boxp. as a delegate from South Carolina ! Who is Mr. Boxp ? and who sent him ? We can hardly think he is now, if he ever has been, a citizen of this State. Perhaps he is some run-a way negro got over amongst it was the last work written by the lovely those "nigger worshippers" of the North.

SMALL FOX is said to be prevailing to some extent in Buseombe county, N. C .-The citizens of Asliville have placed guards on the roads to prevent any person from the country visiting the town, and a fine of \$25 is imposed upon any one who shall pass the guard and come into the town without permission.

THE steamer Gos, Graham, says the Charleston Evening News of the 14th inst. left North Atlantic wharf this morning for Columbia being the first trip on the new find. Measers, WARDLAW & WALKER ate the agents for Churleston.

TWENTY-FIVE South Caroliniana, anys Georgia paper, armed with Miunie rifles. d through Atlanta, one day last week on their way to Kansas Tentitory.

This editor of the Columbia (S. C.) Ka m a prize of fifty dollars for the ntion in

were presented by our friend Durrie, the beautiful volume of four hundred and sixty-

seven pages, bearing the ab ve title, the last and (by many said to la-) the best of the literary efforts of the late Mrs. CAROLINE LEE HENTE. As we have not yet found time to read it thoroughly, we extract the following paragraph from one of the many notices we have seen of the work :

"This thrilling and beautiful romance will be read with an intenser interest, because and gifted author before her pure and gentle pirit passed into the unknown land. It

is the crowning literary effort of her life surpassing all her former romances, numerous and excellent as they have been. Every page beams with beanty ; and though it is not, in the general acceptation of the phrase, a religious novel, the lessons inculeated in it are as full of purity and holiness as those ever attend by Christian preaches from sa-

cred desk. The main old et of this touching life story-in which the passionate and jealons Ernest and the loving and pure hearted Gabriella figure as here and hereine -is to illustrate how vain it is for one to seek, or to expect to find, enduring pleasure and satisfaction in any earthly being, howabsorbing; jealnes love, may inflict not only on the lover and the loved, but likewise on

uninterested votes in making the nominaenterprising bookseller in that place, with a tion, we find that 117 Northern electoral votes are directly interested in making the best selection possible for encrers.

But still, say the objectors, Massachusetts, Vermont, et id genus omne, who can entertain no hope of securing the choice of Democratic electors, will neu ralize, on the ques ion of choice, the certain support of Se Carolina and Georgia. Admitted, But will not the same objection lie against the delegates from Kentucky, Maryland, Cali-fornia and Delaware? each of which is al most equally certain to go anti Democratic.

It is a mistake, then, to count the South as certain and the North as uncertain in the result of the Presidential contest. Subtracting the votes of these four States, which went strongly Know Nothing in the last election, and we reduce the Democratic electoral vote of the South from 120 to 93. As, then, these 93 are indispensable to the success of the candidates of the party, they will necessarily acquire controlling influ ence over the Convention. No same man

assume, then, that no candidate can win the support of the Northern delegates who fails o unite those from the South, because all hope of success h fore the people would be slready gone. In all human calculations the probabilities of success are estimated. It being certain, then, that the Northern portion of the party must fails where tri-umph is the great object weight, it follows dear friendships, suff-rings the most intense. that the perfectly assured ninetwithree Both old and young lovers will be often re- Southern votes for the candidate of the parminded in reading this novel, that those who seek perfectibles by striving to live only for each other, never attain the object so refisibly desired; and that those whose who seek nerfectibles by striving to live only reliably dented, and that those whose heats are the most all-entracing are the most abidingly cheerful and happy." Mr. Durra keeps a full and "aried assor-ment of heats and statistic aried assor-sector due public helicrosing him to be in every ways worthy of their semitlines.

BLUE RIDOE RATLROAD. - A correspond ent of the Abbeville Banner says Col. Lyth goe, Chief Engineer, of this Road, has r igned. The assertion needs confirmation

We learn that operations have ceased at the Tunnels, on account of dissatisfaction among the workmen in regard to wages.-The hands demand a certain price, and the contractors refuse to comply with their de mands. Thus slood matters at our last dates. The sub-contractors are still at work on the line of Road in this State.

Pickens Courier.

FATAL AFFRAT.-- A fight occurred about 4 o'clock yesteeday afternoon in Market street, between Samuel Cross and Jas. Howard, free persons of color, in which the former received a stab from which he died this morning about 7 o'clock. 11. was immediately carried to Dr. Lebby's of-fice where he received prompt attendance. Howard has been arrested. Charleston News.

Is you wish to cure a scolding wife, neve fail to laugh at her with all your might until ale ceases -- then kiss her. Sure cure, and no quack medicine !

#### DIED.

In this District, on the 4th instant, of pnen-monia, Mass C. C. LIPFURD, in her uineteenth rean. Sha joined the Methodist Fpiscoph rean. Sha joined the Methodist Fpiscoph he could apeak calmly, o with and with much compo-ections about the place of ilv. wh

## ABBEVILLE C. H. Cheap Cash Boot and Shoe Manufactory.

THE subscriber most re-spectfully calls the attention of the public, and especially his old friends and customers, to his large and sele ted stock of .

Gentlemen's and Ladies' Shoes

He has also a large stock of fine pumpsoled and fine welted BOOTS, of the latest styles, o the finest French calf skin. He has a larg stock of fine double-soled

## Water-Proof Bonts,

all of his own manufactory, warranted." All of which he will seil cheap for cash or on a credit to prompt-paying en

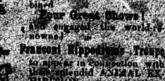
it to prompt-paying enacoures. He is also prepar d to make to order any article in the Boot and Shoe line, having a large number of the finest workman in his em-ployment, and being a practical workman him-self. Having the finest stock of Leather that self. Having the funct stock of Legther that ever came to this District, his Boots and Shoes will be made in the pentest and becast styles, and for fit and workmanship shall not be ex-celled. N. Mos VOY. March 21, 1856 46 12m

March 21, 1856

CIRCUS. Four Great shows in Onel BOBINSON & ELDEED, Pro prietors. WILL Exhibit in Abbeville



ROBINSON & ELDRED Proclaims in the South the as a return for the generous patronage, that has ever orawaed their efforts to please



135 Acres of Land, more or less, bounded by Juo. W. Bighy, Widow Webster and others, as the property of Henson Posey, ads Charles. Murphy and others. 66 Acress more or less, bounded by Elias. Banks, S C. Edmunds and others, as the prop-erty of H. W. Barrat als Vaces Forces. H. W. Barratt, ada. Yancy Freema

and others. 200 Acres, more or less, bounded by Josiah Patterson, Geo. Patterson and others, as the property of Sam'l Wideman, ads. A. Harmon. and others. 450 Acres, more or less, bounded by Wm.

Harris, Dr. Pressly and others, as the property of John Ruff, ads. J. H. Wideman, Assignee,

Arris, Jr. Fressly and others, as the property of John Ruff, ads. J. II, Wideman, Assignee, and others.
600 Acres, more or less, bounded by M. Sharp, J. C. Waters and others, as the property of the Eatate of Reuben Robertson, dec'd, ada. R. Y. Jones and others.
215 Acres, more or less, bounded by W. T. Mauldin, B. D. Kav and others, as the property of Jac. C. Speer, ads. J. N. Whitner and others.
860 Acres, more or less, bounded by W. T. Mauldin, B. D. Kav and others, as the property of Jac. C. Speer, ads. J. N. Whitner and others.
860 Acres, more or less, bounded by Wm. White, Rob't Simpson and others, as the property of A Mauldin, ads. J. C. Dann, Hy & Co., and others.
1 House and Lot, at Hodge's Depot, containing one Acre, more or less, bounded by G. W. Hodges, James Anderson and others as the property of Aaron Pitts, ads. Boberts & Adame and others.
TEXMS CASE.
T. R. COCHRAN, S. A. D. Steriffy, Official Science, and Science, and

Shariff's Office, March 16, 1856.

### The South Carolina Agriculturist.

THE Executive Committee of the State Ag-righter Society of South Carolina hav-ing selected the enhancither to adit their haper, a prospectal is now issued in compliance with their instructions. This fournal sell he devoted to Agriculture, Herticulture, Natural Brience, Rural Taxis, Architecture and Art, the Mechanical and Man-ufacturing interests, and all the purcieus per chaning to general improvements. If will alter

ting to general improve tain a faithful transcrip int of the and proceedings of the Sec te, and a monthly su