

The Fourth.

The National Anniversary passed off very quietly in this place, although we suppose every body sought pleasure or amusement after their own notions.

As per programme, the day was ushered in with the firing of cannon and the ringing of bells, and between 8 and 9 o'clock in the morning a procession was formed in front of the Carolina Hotel and proceeded to the Court House.

Mr. Brown prefaced the reading of the Mecklenburg Declaration by some very appropriate remarks, and the reading of that instrument itself was distinct and impressive, as was also the reading of the National Declaration by Mr. Moore.

The Oration by Mr. Poisson was a very creditable effort, appropriate to the times and the occasion, conceived in good taste and delivered in a manner worthy of its matter.

At Stricklandville in Duplin county the day was celebrated with much spirit. There was a very large assemblage of ladies and gentlemen.

At Long Creek, in New Hanover County, there was also a very fine celebration, and a large concourse of people, including many of the fairest daughters of New Hanover.

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The County Canvass—Gov. Briggs.

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Mr. Gilmer and others of his party contend that the troubles in Kansas are due to the admission to the rights of suffrage, of men of foreign birth, who have simply declared their intention to become citizens.

Now, we have met with more than one citizen who has been to Kansas and enquired specially in regard to this matter. It is but last week that we met a young gentleman of high respectability, a native of this district, who was on his way direct from Kansas to his home.

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Mr. Breckinridge's Letter of Acceptance. JUNE 13, 1856. SIR: The National Convention of the democratic party, which recently assembled in Cincinnati, unanimously nominated you as a candidate for the office of Vice President of the United States.

You have already informally accepted the nomination, but we deem it appropriate, under instructions of the convention, to communicate the information officially in this manner.

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From the Richmond Enquirer. LYNCH-LAW IN CALIFORNIA. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 3, 1856. GENTLEMEN: By the last mail you observed that James King of William, Editor of the Evening Bulletin, of this city, had been shot by James P. Casey, Editor of the Sunday Times, in an attack made upon the city.

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Additional by the Canada. HALIFAX, July 2.—The files by the Canada contain the following additional items: ENGLAND.—In Parliament on Friday night, Mr. Gladstone stated, that on Monday last, when Lord Palmerston announced the intention of the government to continue diplomatic relations with the American Minister he did not give any explanation of the motives which led to that course or advert to the course of the American government in the dismissal of Mr. Crampton.

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SENATOR BRODHEAD. The subject of the above is going the rounds of the "know-nothing" and abolition press: "BRODHEAD AND BUCHANAN.—The Washington American Organ of the Know-nothing party, Senator Brodhead, this city, that Buchanan could not carry Pennsylvania, the country, and knows Pennsylvania as well as any man in the State."

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