

Settled at Last.

After having cost much money and many valuable lives it appears that the mystery attending the fate of Sir John Franklin has at length received a definite solution, the steamer Fox, sent out by Lady Franklin under the command of Captain McClintock having got back to England with the full particulars, and many memorials of the ill-starred expedition.

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We should be greedy of praise, indeed, if we failed to be more than satisfied with the too lavish terms of commendation in which the writer is so kind as to speak of ourselves and our humble efforts. We only wish that we deserved one-half of the good things he says of us. But we appreciate such things for that in which their real value consists—the evidences they afford of kindly consideration on the part of those who give them expression.

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We take the following items from the Turbore's South American.

On Thursday last week, Mr. Robert D. Macaulay, of this town, was on a hunting excursion on horseback, when his horse stumbled and threw him, his gun discharging it in consequence of his hand being mangled by it. He is still suffering much, but hopes are entertained of saving his hand, with the loss of the use of his thumb.

Another accident occurred in this town on the next day, occasioned by the careless use of fire arms. Mr. Joseph L. Dicken, in taking a pistol out of his pocket, discharged it, the ball passing through the outer part of his hand, occasioning a painful but not a dangerous wound.

We learn that on Friday night of last week, the Gin House of Mr. Redman Dupree, of this country, was destroyed by fire, together with about half his crop of Cotton, including twelve bales ready for market. A negro boy undertook to light a candle with a match, which he threw down, setting the cotton on fire. Loss estimated at about \$2,000.

On the same night, we understand, that the steam saw mill near Falkland in Pitt county, belonging to Mr. Bibb, of the late firm of Harris & Bibb, was also destroyed by fire, together with a considerable quantity of lumber.

We believe the freight business of the North Carolina Railroad for this fall has been very heavy, and it affords us a pleasure to record the fact that such are the perfected arrangements for working the road. We have not heard the first complaint from any source in reference to delays of freights, &c. We have endeavored of a number of persons who are doing business with the road, and they all accord great unanimity in the receipt of their goods.—Greenboro' Times.

Hon. Edward Everett has accepted an invitation to deliver an oration on the Georgia State, to be held in Atlanta from the 24th to the 28th of October.

H. W. Miller, Esq., has consented to deliver his celebrated Oration on the 11th Century, in Petersburg on the 24th inst. The proceeds to go to the Mount Vernon Fund.

Tennessee Legislature.—This body met at Nashville on the 3d inst., and was organized by the election of T. W. Newman, of Franklin, speaker of the Senate, and Mr. Whitcomb, of Maury, speaker of the House.

U. S. FINANCE.—Nearly \$5,000,000 are in the Treasury, subject to drafts, and the Secretary sees no reason to change his opinion, formerly expressed, as to the receipts of the present fiscal year.

Wells, Fargo & Co., have obtained a concession from the Governor of Sonora, for their stage line to connect at Tucson, Arizona, with Hermosillo, Sonora.

These are not only the times of "Spirits," but of "Spirits of the Times." There is the "Old Spirit," "Porter's Spirit," and "Wilkes' Spirit." You pay your money, and you take your choice, as the showman says.

The Santa Fe Mail Attacked by Indians. A dispatch received by the Post Master General on the 7th inst., from Mr. Hall, of Missouri, mail contractor, states that the Santa Fe mail, which left Fort Independence on the 19th ult., was attacked by the Kiaway Indians on the 24th, and conductor Smith and his brother were killed. Wm. Cole escaped and arrived back on the evening of the 6th, badly wounded. The troops on the Arkansas have come in for Riley.

The Sixth Annual Fair of the Cumberland County Agricultural Society will be held at Fayetteville, on the 2d, 3d, and 4th days of November next.

The Annual Address will be delivered by W. W. Holden, Esq., of Raleigh, on Thursday the 3d.

Official information from Brazil has been received at Washington, that the export duties on Sugar, Hides and other native products has been reduced to 8 per cent.

BY TELEGRAPH.

The Opposition elect their candidates to Congress from the 3d and 7th districts. The other Congressmen elected are Democrats. Brown's majority for Governor is said to be 15,000.

There was a terrible snow storm experienced here last night. It is believed the Steamship Canada has arrived at Halifax from Liverpool. Her news will be due here this forenoon.

The steamer Panther, her crew and the Filibusters at the mouth of the river, have been arrested and brought back to the city.

The Stearnship Canada arrived at Halifax on last Thursday night, with Liverpool dates to the 24th ult.—She is bound for Boston.

There was every appearance of the settlement of Italian affairs—probably by a Peace Congress.

The Artie Steamer Fox, has returned with a record and relics of Franklin's Expedition. Franklin died in the year 1847. His Ships Erebus and Terror, were lost the following year.

The Pope's health was in an alarming state.

The steamer Quaker City, which left New York for Havana on the 7th instant, smashed her engine when fifty miles south of Hatteras, disabling the ship. All but two passengers, who preferred remaining aboard, were brought here by the ship Dunbarton. No lives lost. The condition of the steamer is not considered dangerous, unless violent storms should arise.

The leading Filibusters have been held to bail in three thousand dollars each. Walker is not among them.

The schooner Star, from Minutilla, (Mexico), reports that a conspiracy had been discovered at the Capitol to overthrow Miramon and declare for the Liberals.

LOOK OUT FOR COUNTERFEITS.—In one week's time a gentleman in Richmond had the following notes or counterfeit, presented to his counter either for change or to pay for small purchases:

Bank of Newbern, N. C. \$10
Bank of Wilmington, N. C. \$5
Bank of Cape Fear, N. C. \$5
North Western Bank of Virginia, \$2 & \$10
Bank of Commerce, \$5

If persons will be particular in taking notes, they will save themselves the trouble of having them returned on their hands. Counterfeit gold \$1 pieces and 25 and 50 cent counterfeit pieces, are circulating freely about the streets, and in large quantities. I look to the money you receive or you will find it worthless.

Episcopal Convention. The Triennial Convention of the Episcopal Church of the United States commenced its session in St. Paul's Church, Richmond, Va., on Wednesday last. There were thirty-seven Bishops present, including the Rt. Rev. Thos. Atkinson, D. D., of N. C. Among the Clerical delegates from North Carolina were: Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D., R. B. Drane, D. D., A. A. Watson and J. B. Chesler.

The opening sermon was delivered by Bishop Otley, of Tennessee. Bishop Meade, of Virginia, presides by seniority over the House of Bishops, and the Rev. Dr. Baleh was again chosen Secretary.

THE \$40 DOUBLE LOCK STITCH FAMILY SEWING MACHINES.

Now on exhibition at BARRY'S DAGUERROTYPY GALLERY, MOZART HALL. SOMETHING NEW. COMPLETE WITH THE TABLE. SEWING WITH TWO THREADS FROM TWO SPOOLS. Patented January 4th, 1859.

No Complicated Machinery—No Getting out of Order! ESPECIALLY ADAPTED FOR FAMILY AND PLANTATION USE. 1000 STITCHES IN A MINUTE!

These machines will gather, Hem, Stitch or Fell in the most beautiful and substantial manner. Our new and improved hemmer will turn a hem of any width, stitching at the same time without any previous basting.

Testimonials can be seen at the rooms, and references given. C. F. BARRY & CO. Proprietors of the Patent for Middle and Eastern North Carolina, to whom apply for Agency Agents. June 20th, 1859.—2443-44-45-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72-73-74-75-76-77-78-79-80-81-82-83-84-85-86-87-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-95-96-97-98-99-100.

RECEIVED BY EXPRESS, AT KELLEY'S BOOK STORE, No. 125 N. 2nd St., J. H. KELLEY, Proprietor. A Life for a Life, by the author of John Halifax, Gentleman, Olive, the Ogilvies and Others. American Wit and Humor, illustrated, by J. McLean. October 10th.

WE HAVE ON EXHIBITION now a large assortment of CLOAKS of our own importation, of which we give a few names; such as the Gabrielle, Superior, the Victoria, the Maline, the Samptre, Racine, Monza, Cosme, Nanteuil, Argentine, Parme, Bolzano, Badia, Courcelles, Taglio, Muslin, Verney, Nonvante, Italienne, Conde, Villons, all superbly finished, and made to order. Excellence, Cavour Cloaks. S. B. KAHNWEILER & CO. 32, Old Stand, Corner Store. Oct. 10.

ROYAL HAVANA LOTTERY. THE NEXT ORDINARY DRAWING OF THE ROYAL HAVANA LOTTERY, conducted by the Spanish Government, under the supervision of the Captain General of Cuba, will take place at HAVANA, on WEDNESDAY, October 19th, 1859.

SORTEO NUMERO 625 ORDINARIO. CAPITAL PRIZE—\$100,000! 1 Prize of \$100,000, 10 Prizes of \$10,000, 50 Prizes of \$5,000, 100 Prizes of \$2,500, 200 Prizes of \$1,000, 400 Prizes of \$500, 800 Prizes of \$250, 1,600 Prizes of \$100, 3,200 Prizes of \$50, 6,400 Prizes of \$25, 12,800 Prizes of \$10, 25,600 Prizes of \$5, 51,200 Prizes of \$2.50, 102,400 Prizes of \$1.25, 204,800 Prizes of \$0.625, 409,600 Prizes of \$0.3125, 819,200 Prizes of \$0.15625, 1,638,400 Prizes of \$0.078125, 3,276,800 Prizes of \$0.0390625, 6,553,600 Prizes of \$0.01953125, 13,107,200 Prizes of \$0.009765625, 26,214,400 Prizes of \$0.0048828125, 52,428,800 Prizes of \$0.00244140625, 104,857,600 Prizes of \$0.001220703125, 209,715,200 Prizes of \$0.0006103515625, 419,430,400 Prizes of \$0.00030517578125, 838,860,800 Prizes of \$0.000152587890625, 1,677,721,600 Prizes of \$0.0000762939453125, 3,355,443,200 Prizes of \$0.00003814697265625, 6,710,886,400 Prizes of \$0.000019073486328125, 13,421,772,800 Prizes of \$0.0000095367431640625, 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