

The Advertiser.

EDGEFIELD C. H.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1843.



"We will cling to the Pillars of the Temple of our Liberties, and if it must fall, we will perish amidst the ruins."

FOR PRESIDENT:

JOHN C. CALHOUN.

Subject to the decision of the Democratic Republican Convention, to assemble in May, 1844, as recommended by the States of Maryland, Michigan, Kentucky, Louisiana, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Alabama and Mississippi.

The following named gentlemen are Candidates for the Offices of Sheriff and Ordinary of this District. The Election will be held on the 8th and 9th of January, 1844.

For Sheriff.

HUMPHREY BOWLER.

JAMES ROBINSON.

JOHN J. SENTELL.

For Ordinary.

JOHN HILL.

WILLIAM J. SIMKINS.

WILLIAM H. MOSS.

WILSON L. COLEMAN.

Edgfield Village Academy.—The health of Rev. Dr. JOHNSON, Rector of this Institution, being restored, he will, by divine permission, resume his duties, in person, on Monday the first day of January.

We acknowledge the receipt of the Public Document No. 180, on the subject of Mail Contracts, from the Hon. A. Burt.

We return our thanks to Genl M. L. Bonham, Dr. R. C. Griffin, and Dr. J. O. Nicholson, for various Public Documents forwarded to us, through their politeness, during the late session of the Legislature.

The Weather.—For the last week we have had very remarkable weather, the days being as warm as we generally have in the month of April, and the nights yielding a slight frost, on Monday, (Christmas Day,) it was warm enough to dispense with fire, and the belles and beaux were enabled to pay their Christmas visits, without being forced to hide their beauty, in dress and figure, by their cloaks and over coats. On yesterday the sun did not show itself, the day was dark and lowering, with a threatening aspect; in fact, the winter, so far, in this section of country, has been uncommonly mild, but, we would advise our Farmers and Planters to keep a good look out for their Cattle, as there may be "breakers ahead," and in the months of February and March we may be visited by Jack Frost, after he has satisfied himself with punishing our Northern brethren.

Elections by the Legislature.—F. H. Elmore, Esq., was unanimously re-elected President of the Bank of the State, and Messrs. John S. Ashe, J. S. Bowie, Samuel Burger, Robert Caldwell, Wm. C. Dukes, Wm. M. Lawton, Alex. McDonald, H. T. McGee, M. T. Mcendenhall, Wm. B. Pringle, Geo. N. Reynolds, and D. C. Webb, Directors.

R. H. Spear, Esq., was re-elected State Reporter.

J. A. Leland, Esq., was re-elected Superintendent of Public Works.

William Laval, Esq., was re-elected Comptroller General.

Loss of Steamer Kershaw, and 996 bales of Cotton.—This Steamer was destroyed on the night of the 14th inst., by fire, whilst lying at the plantation of Mr. J. C. Singleton, about 20 miles below Columbia. Her cargo, which consisted of 996 bales of Cotton, a portion of which was taken in at night, and it is supposed that the fire originated from the lights used in taking the bales on board, as no steam had been raised on the boat for some hours previous to the accident.

The Kershaw, (says the Charleston Courier), was owned by Messrs. Hilliard & Brooks, and we understand was not insured. From a statement made to us the loss of the Cotton would also fall on the shippers, as it had been the custom for the owners of the boat to take the risk, whenever the freight was at 67 1/2 cents per bale, whilst the shipper at his own risk could obtain freight at 75. In this instance the whole was shipped at the rate of 75 cents. The loss, including boat, is estimated at over \$40,000.

Death of Judge Thompson.—The National Intelligencer states that Judge Smith Thompson, died at his residence, near Poughkeepsie, N. Y., on Monday the 18th inst., in the seventy-seventh year of his age.

Murders escaped.—The Federal Union says, "We understand that D. J. Justice and Brown, who were committed to Twigg's county jail for trial, for the murder of the Penitentiary guard last spring, have made their escape from custody."

Cotton Bagging.—There is no operation in the State of Kentucky, (says the Cincinnati Atlas) 350 hand looms for the manufacture of Cotton Bagging—a factory has gone into operation for the same purpose in Cincinnati, and power looms in Mayville, Louisville, New Albany, and Missouri—the amount of Bagging manufactured at those establishments yearly, is estimated at 10,200,000 yards.

The City of Giants.—The Hamburg Journal of the 26th inst., says: "It is an undeniable fact, that there are at this time in Hamburg, a larger number of tall chaps than ever resided here before. The extreme measures are from 6 ft. to 7 ft. 7 inches."

North Carolina Democratic Convention.—This body assembled at Raleigh on the 13th, and adjourned on the 15th inst., after having chosen Louis D. Henry and Charles Fisher, the one a Van Buren, and the other a Calhoun man, to represent the State at large in the Democratic National Convention to meet in Baltimore, for the nomination of President and Vice President of the United States.

Georgia Democratic Convention.—On Monday the 11th inst., the Georgia Democratic State Convention, was organized, at Milledgeville, by appointing Charles J. McDonald, Esq., President, and Frederick H. Sanford, and C. E. Haynes, Secretaries. The following resolutions were, in connection with a brief statement of the causes of the late defeats sustained by the Democratic Party in that State, reported by the Committee appointed for that purpose, and unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That the Democratic Party of this State approves of the Convention to be held at Baltimore in May next, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the office of President and Vice President of the United States, and that the said Convention should be left free to determine upon its mode of organization and action.

"Resolved, That whatever may be the propositions entertained by the members of the Democratic Party of this State in favor of any one of the distinguished Republicans, whose names have been connected with the contemplated nominations; they will, as a party sustain and support the nominees of said Convention.

"Be it further Resolved, That the nomination of delegates to represent the Democratic Party of this State in Convention hitherto made, be confirmed; and that they go thither, and cast their vote for the candidates for the offices in question, with the sole view of sustaining the principles, harmony and unity of the great Republican Party of the Union.

"Be it further Resolved, That our Democratic brethren of the several counties of this State, be earnestly requested to form associations in each county, and enter into an early and efficient organization, and the ultimate triumph of Democratic principles."

Robberies.—The N. Y. Tribune states, that a trunk containing about \$326,000, in Bank bills, drafts, and checks, under the charge of a Mr. Copp, from Albany, for merchants and brokers of New York, was taken from on board a steamboat whilst lying at the wharf in N. York.

The N. Y. Sun states, that the Albany mail on its way to New York, was robbed on the night of the 7th inst., at Hudson, and that William Hoff, the person charged with robbing it, had been brought to New York, in custody of officer Smith in irons.

LIST OF ACTS

Passed at the recent Session of the Legislature.

1. An act to raise supplies for the year commencing in October, 1844.

2. An act to make Appropriations for the year commencing in October, 1844.

3. An act prescribing the duties of certain officers in the collection of supplies, the payment of salaries, and for other purposes.

4. An act to regulate the sittings of the Court of Appeals, and for other purposes.

5. An act to permit Andrew O'Brien, an alien, to apply for admission to practice in the Courts of Law and Equity in this State.

6. An act to incorporate the village of Waterbury, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

7. An act to vest the real estate of Elmer H. Osterholtz in John D. W. Schroder.

8. An act to incorporate a Provident Institution for savings in the City of Charleston.

9. An act to vest in Mary Wolf the right to certain property.

10. An act to authorize the Superintendent of Public Works, to dispose of certain lands belonging to the State.

11. An act to vest in Rebecca Bardell and her children the right of the State to the ecclesiastical property of Charles Ellis.

12. An act to authorize the Superintendent of Public Works to sell to Wilson Barton a tract of the State's lands.

13. An act to authorize the Superintendent of Public Works to convey to Daniel McCullough, all the right and title of the State to the Mount Dearborn tract of land.

14. An act to alter the times of the sitting of the Courts of Equity in the third circuit, and to establish a Court of Equity in Horry District.

15. An act regulating Hawkers and Peddlars.

16. An act to incorporate certain Societies and Companies, and to renew and amend certain charters heretofore granted.

17. An act to vest in the administrator of John Young the interest of the State in certain real estate, and for other purposes.

18. An act to amend the law in relation to actions commenced by writ of foreign attachment.

19. An act to change the name and style of the Louisville, Cincinnati and Charleston Railroad Company, and to provide for uniting therewith the South Carolina Canal and Railroad Company, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

20. An act to restore to each branch of the Legislature the right of inquiring into the finances of the State.

21. An act to increase the penalty for concealing or conveying away any slave accused of a capital crime.

22. An act to inflict capital punishment on slaves and free persons of color who may commit a certain offence.

23. An act to amend the second section of an act to convert the Arsenal at Columbia and Citadel and Magazine in and near Charleston, into Military Schools.

24. An act supplementary to an act entitled "An act to give the Commissioners of the Poor for the several Districts and Parishes of this State, power to purchase lands and build Poor Houses thereon for the support and maintenance of the Poor of said Districts and Parishes," passed on the sixteenth day of December, 1842.

25. An act to authorize office copies of deeds in certain cases to be given in evidence.

26. An act to alter and amend the Patrol Laws.

27. An act to establish an Inspection and Warehouse at Hamburg, in Edgefield District.

28. An act to reduce the capital of the Charleston Insurance and Trust Company.

29. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Alexander Downer, deceased, and for other purposes."

30. An act to authorize the formation of a Regiment of Artillery in the Parishes of St. Phillips and St. Michaels.

31. An act to authorize the formation of a new Volunteer Company within the limits of the 23d Regiment of Infantry.

32. An act to provide compensation to the owners of slaves executed.

33. An act to amend the law in relation to recording mortgages, and to regulate the lien thereof.

34. An act to vest the Columbia Canal in Frederick William Green, for the term of twenty-one years.

35. An act to provide for the payment of a portion of the public debt.

36. An act to amend an act to provide against the suspension of specie payments by the Bank of this State.

37. An act to establish certain Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

The Bill to alter and amend the first section of the third article of the Constitution, was read

three times in the House of Representatives, and three times in the Senate, and agreed to by two thirds of the whole Representation. The Bill will have to pass the next Legislature before it becomes a law.

From the Petersburg Republican.

The Washington Spectator in speaking of the absurd assertions, made by some correspondent of the Richmond Enquirer, in relation to Mr. Calhoun, says:

"Many questions are to arise in Congress—the tariff amongst them—which must be settled before it can be determined who will be the candidate of the Democratic party for the Presidency. It is by no means impossible that, by May next, Mr. Van Buren may not wait for his friends to withdraw him, but withdraw himself."

We regret to do any thing which may tend to dampen the joy of any of our fellow citizens. Clayites though they be, but great as are their gratulations at having Mr. Van Buren as the opponent of Mr. Clay in 1844, we must tell them that we do not believe the Democratic party is quite "soft enough" for that. They need not let their souls be flattered by the notion of again walking over the course as they did in 1840.

It is beyond the power of man, as affairs now are, to tell who will be the candidate of the party. The friends of all candidates seem to be fully united in doing their duty to the country, and giving their support to the principles of the party, while they are willing to compromise all differences of opinion, which solely regard men, and to join, at the proper time, in a zealous and ardent advocacy of that individual, who, being thoroughly with us in principle, is most available for election. The Charleston Mercury thus expresses the idea: It is generally applicable to other questions than Free Trade, to other candidates than Mr. Van Buren.

"If we cannot support the Democratic creed, the true creed, with Free Trade at its head, in supporting Mr. Van Buren, then we will never support him, though forty Conventions should unanimously nominate him. And if we can support that creed best by supporting him, we shall take good care not to allow the interests of any man to interfere."

This is the true Democratic doctrine; we support him, by whom we can best support our "creed." He who does not support it, we will under no circumstances sustain.

National Convention.—The Democracy of Boston, in town meeting, have confirmed the selection of Charles G. Greene, Esq. the Editor of the Boston Post, as delegate to the National Convention. Two tickets were run, one headed "Democratic Ticket," upon which was the name of Mr. Greene—the other headed "Van Buren Ticket," upon which was the name of Mr. Volles. The following was the result of the vote.

For Charles G. Greene, 506

John A. Bolles, 351

Discovery in Mexico.—A discovery has transpired that will gratify the antiquarian and the philosopher.—A letter has been received from the sub prefect of Tlaxiilana, in the department of Oajaca, announcing the discovery of a former city near Oajaca. These ruins are situated in a valley called las Juntas, in the environs of the village of Quiootepec.—*Charleston Patriot.*

FROM MEXICO.

By the arrival of the ship Tippecanoe, from Vera Cruz, we have received advices from the city of Mexico to the 25th ult. The papers contain little that is new. The re-election of Santa Anna is confirmed.

A letter from the northern frontier of Mexico, dated October 24th, and addressed the editor of the Courier Francaise, says: Every thing here goes on tranquilly. The government party has triumphed in the elections. The cars of the Santa Fe traders now deposit their goods at the Custom House. This would seem to indicate the cessation of the scandalous system smuggling heretofore carried on. Cummarche Indians annoy us occasionally by their robberies of mules, horses and cattle, but with them we are at war. The Apaches, with whom we are at peace, are, nevertheless, equally expert in roguery—their thefts are, however, unaccompanied by murder as was formerly too often the case.

The U. S. frigate Constitution left the Upper California on the 27th October, for the Republic of South America.

N. O. Bee, 13th inst.

Mexico.—Neither of our papers or correspondence contain anything regarding the expedition for Yucatan, or the difficulty of the British Minister. The British squadron said some time since to have been seen in the Gulf, had not arrived in Vera Cruz when the Tippecanoe sailed.—Mr. Als, minister of the general national treasury, died on the 11th ult.

The U. S. Ship Constellation, Commodore Kearney, and the British frigate Carysfort, Lord George Paulet, arrived at Monterey, California, about the middle of November. We annex a translation of Government, Michelorena's letter to the Mexican Governor, giving an account of the visit of Commodore Kearney.

MONTEREY, California, Oct. 2d.

Excellent Sir.—The U. S. ship of war Constellation, Com. Kearney, mounting forty-six guns, and a crew of three hundred and forty men, from China via the Sandwich Islands, arrived in this port. After anchoring and firing the customary salute, which was promptly answered by me, the Commodore in full uniform, accompanied by his officers, landed to pay his respects, and was received by me and my officers with all the etiquette due to his rank.

His invitation to visit the Constellation was accepted by me and followed by a request that he would favor us with his company at the ball, by which we were then to celebrate the new Constitution of the Republic.

The Commodore brings intelligence that the Sandwich Islands were restored to their legitimate sovereign.

The Commodore presented me with a variety of Chinese curiosities, and I returned the compliment by offering him several articles from this Department, together with a large Mexican flag.

The Constellation sailed for the southern part of the Republic.

MANUEL MICHELTORENA.

Minister of War and Marine Mexico.

A similar letter was despatched with the particulars of the reception of Lord Geo. Paulet, between whom and the Mexican authorities similar courtesies passed. In different parts of the Republic the news of the re-election of Santa Anna was received with apparent satisfaction, and made the occasion of unusual festivities.—*Bulletin of same date.*

Oregon.—We learn, says the New York Sun, that instruction have been for-

warded to Mr. Packenham, the new English Minister Plenipotentiary to the United States, to discuss the Oregon question. It is probable that through this channel an amicable arrangement may be made as to territorial limits, which is much more desirable than taking forcible possession of any part of the territory actually belonging to us. In such cases as territory, the question of right and principle can be settled by negotiation.

Political Equivalents.—It seems very evident that the West will, in future, assert its claims in Congress to a corresponding share with the Atlantic States in the appropriations for river and harbour improvements and fortifications. The force of numbers will effect what the voice of justice has failed to accomplish, to wit a more equal distribution of expenditures by the general government between the two great divisions of the Union. In this way will nearly every enactment that passes Congress for Atlantic improvements have connected with it, as an equivalent, a law providing for Western improvements. The balance of benefits from expenditures will be adjusted hereafter on principles of distributive justice and by a numerical counterpoise. The West like the South, has been shamed out of its proportional benefits as compared with its contributions to the common revenue. The expenditures have gone in a constant current where the political power has been. It is to be hoped that a union of the South and West will at last effect what eloquent remonstrance and appeals to a sense of political equity have failed to accomplish.—*Southern Patriot.*

The Neutrals.—A writer in a late number of the Democratic Review thus forcibly describes that peculiar class of bipeds, yeelped, political "neutrals." The picture is true and well drawn: "Your neutral man in politics is just the person upon whom the contempt of mankind may be heaped without the fear of injustice; the saliva of an honest, free-thoughted citizen is too precious an ointment to bestow upon him: he is good for nothing, and deserving of nothing; the Greeks of old were not mistaken in deriving from his case the word 'Idiot,' and yet such people go about the very pictures of complacency, and, glorying in their name, boasts that they are no party-men. They may see rogues in high places, the wicked flourishing like a green bay-tree, and honesty and public virtue chilled to death in his shadow, but they are unmoved by the saddening spectacle, because they are no party-men."

A Couple of Facts.—"When England will reduce her duties, we will reduce ours, when England will receive our productions, we will take hers."—*Whig talk.* Now look at a couple of facts. The average of the English duty is only 11 per cent, while ours is nearly 40 per cent. In 1842, England received of us produce to the amount of more than FIFTY MILLIONS of dollars; while we received of her less than FORTY MILLIONS. Away with your hypocrisy! You want a PROTECTIVE Tariff, and you mean to have it at all events.—*Fredericksburg Recorder.*

Remarkable.—In digging a well lately in the town of Buena Vista in Illinois, which is situated in the middle of a large prairie, a cedar log was found embedded in the earth three feet below the surface. It was cut and found to be six inches thick, and in a sound state. How it got there exceeds our powers of speculation.

HYMENEAL.

MARRIED.

On the 14th inst. by Rev. D. D. Brunson, Capt. BARTLEY M. TALBERT, to Miss NANCY, daughter of Col. Wyatt Holmes, all of this District.

OBITUARY.

Departed this life on the 17th inst. at his fathers residence, after a long and painful illness, JAMES A. COOK, aged 27 years and 10 months. Three years previous to his death he became a member of the Baptist Church, during which time he led an exemplary and strictly pious life. In the course of his illness, when asked if he was afraid to die, he exclaimed that life was sweet, but if it was the will of God to take him from the world, he had no fear of death. The writer of this notice was with him in his last moments, and although racked by the acuteness of pain and disease, yet he evinced a perfect resignation. He has left numerous friends and relations to mourn his irreparable loss.

Thus to the tomb are all men hastening fast, Each day we live, perhaps may be our last; Let every thought, then every action be Devoted to thy cause, oh God, and thee.

Commercial.

HAMBURG, Dec. 18. Cotton.—The receipts this week, ending today, have been light. For the last two days we have had constant rains, which put a stop to outdoor business in a measure; and but a small share doing within the stores. Buyers appear to be very anxious to obtain as much of the staple as possible, and are giving pretty good prices for the article. We quote this week as extreme 7 1/2 to 8 1/2 cts; principal sales 7 3/4 to 8 cts. A strictly choice article will command 8 1/2 cts.—*Journal.*

Augusta, Dec. 21. Cotton.—The receipts during the week have been moderate. The market having continued very active since our last report, and all the cotton for sale has been readily taken at the asking rates.—We notice an advance upon our last week's quotations of fully a quarter of a cent; the extremes of the market being at from 7 1/4 to 8 1/4 cts. We know of no cotton in market for which the lowest figure could not be obtained. The principal sales have been at from 7 1/4 to 8 1/4 cts. The market presents an upward tendency.—*Constitutionalist.*

COLUMBIA, Dec. 20. Cotton.—Owing to the very wet weather, there has been but a moderate business doing from wagons. Prices are very firm at 7 1/2 to 8 3/8 cts extremes. Most sales yesterday were at 8 1/8 cts. Some store lots have brought 8 1/2 cents round.—*Carolinian.*

To Hire. FOR the ensuing year a Carpenter, and some fine field hands. Apply to P. F. LEBORDE. If 48 December 27.

Law Notice. THE subscribers have formed a partnership in the practice of Law for Edgefield District. Office near Goodman's Hotel. J. TERRY. JOSEPH ABNEY. If 48 December 23, 1843.

Firemen's Attention! THE members of the Palmetto Fire Engine Company will meet at the Planter's Hotel, on Thursday Evening next, 28th inst., at half past 6 o'clock. A full attendance is requested, as business of importance will come before the Company. By order of the President, S. F. GOODE, Secretary. December 27 48 11.

Notice. I FORWARN all persons from trading for a Note of hand, made by me, payable to S. S. Boyce, or bearer, for the sum of two hundred and twenty-six dollars, or thereabout, dated in the year 1841, which Note has been cancelled by a settlement made between S. S. Boyce, T. G. Bacon, and myself, and supposed by me to have been given to my father long since. Finding on my return to the State, the said Note was not in the possession of my father, I am determined not to pay it unless compelled by law. W. G. GALLMAN. Dec. 27 48 48.

Notice. ALL persons having demands against the estate of James Timme, deceased, and those indebted to the same are requested to come forward and settle, so that the estate may be settled up. FELIX LAKE, Adm'r. Dec. 26 48 31.

Ridge Academy. THE undersigned, Trustees of the Ridge Academy, having engaged the services of Mr. S. F. McDowell for the year 1844, take great pleasure in recommending him to the public, as well qualified for the duties of an Instructor, being a regular graduate of the South Carolina College, and having given great satisfaction in the present year. The Academy is situated on the Stage road leading from Edgefield to Columbia, and students from a distance will have the privilege of travelling to and from the School, at 5 cents per mile in the Stage.

The Ridge is well known to be strictly healthy at all seasons of the year.

Board can be obtained in orderly families at low rates.

RATES OF TUITION. per quarter.

Spelling, Reading and Writing. \$3 00

With Arithmetic, Geography and Grammar. 5 00

History, Composition, Elements of Natural Philosophy, &c. &c. 7 00

The School is provided with a very superior Terrestrial Globe, necessary Maps, &c. complete.

R. WARD, R. T. BOUNKNIGHT, T. WATSON, S. WATSON, A. RUTLAND, M. WATSON, Trustees. December 27 48 51.

State of South Carolina.

EDGEFIELD DISTRICT.

A. G. Teague, Domestic Attachment.

Ed. Atchison.

BY Order of the Court of Common Pleas, I shall proceed to sell, at the residence of defendant, in the above case, on Saturday the 15th of January next, one lot of Hogs, one lot of Sheep, and various other articles named in the return to attachment in said case.

Tertius cash. S. CHRISTIE, s. e. d. Dec. 20 48 48.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY virtue of sundry writs of Fieri Facias, I shall proceed to sell at Edgefield Court House, on the first Monday and Tuesday in January next, the following property:

John B. Johnson vs William Johnson; John Briske vs the same; three Horses. J. C. Allen, for Goodwin & Harrington vs John McCreary; other plaintiffs vs the same, three Negroes, a woman and two children.

Cadaway Clark vs Moses Clarke, one Black Mare and one Grey Mare.

Penn & Brannon vs Stephen Langley, one Brown Horse.

James Goodman vs A. G. Lenke; Jas. Owens vs the same; the same vs the same; J. H. Irby vs the same; John Pool vs the same; Wm. Carter vs the same; the same vs the same, six Negroes, viz. Allen, Essex, Mary, Betsey, Sarah, and her child Jefferson.

Terms cash. S. CHRISTIE, s. e. d. Dec. 14, 1843. 48 46.

Wanted.

TO Rent or purchase a Tract of Land, on which from 12 to 13 lands may be profitably employed. Apply at this Office. 47 If Dec. 20, 1843.

Shaw's Creek Beat Comp'y.

ATTENTION.

APPEAR at your Company, Muster Ground on Saturday the 6th of January next, for Drill and Inspection, armed and equipped as the Law directs.

By order of H. B. GALLMAN, Captain. Edgefield, Dec. 20, 1843.

Head Quarters.

DECEMBER 14th, 1843.

ORDERS NO.

PURSUANT to orders from Col. J. C. Sproull, an Election will be held in the Edgefield Squadron of Cavalry, at Edgefield C. H. on Saturday the 13th January next, for Brigadier General, of the First Brigade of Cavalry, S. C. Militia.

Captains J. J. Sentell, A. J. Hammond, and W. Harrison, will act as Managers.

By order of Maj. J. E. Smyley, JOHN F. SPROULL, Adjutant.

2nd Regt. Cavalry, 1st Brigade S. C. M. Dec. 20 48 47.

Executor's Sale.

BY an Order from the Ordinary of Edgefield District, will be sold at the subscribers residence, on Friday the 5th day of January next, on a credit until the 25th day of December, 1844.

Nine Negroes.

Household and Kitchen Furniture, property belonging to the estate of John Cheatham,