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CHARLESTOWN, S. C. THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1850.

WITHDRAWAL OF MR. SMITH. We are requested by Capt. John F. Smith, to state that he is no longer a candidate for the House of Delegates.

WITHDRAWAL OF MR. STRIDER. Mr. P. Strider, at whose instance the name of Mr. Strider was last week inserted on the list of candidates for the House of Delegates, requests us again to withdraw it. Mr. Strider has since learned that it is the wish of the gentlemen who were instrumental in bringing out Mr. S., that he should be withdrawn and no longer considered as a candidate.

THIS DAY between the Whigs, the Constitution, and the Law, on the one hand, and the Administration on the other. The Court is the highest tribunal in the State—formed of the best people, the sovereign powers, who are both Judge and Jury.

It is proposed to publish a paper, that should be a daily paper, to be published by a well examining committee, to inquire into his own conduct. The Ledger thinks that the business could keep it constantly on its feet.

On Thursday, the 21st instant, the Hon. RICHARD C. DUNLAP was introduced by the Secretary of State to the PRESIDENT, and delivered his credentials as Minister Plenipotentiary and envoy extraordinary of the Republic of Texas.

Mr. Woodbury and the Broker.—An amusing anecdote, indicative of the shrewdness and good management of Secretary Woodbury, is confidently related in Wall street. An intelligent French Broker, Mr. D., some time since discovered that a fraud had been committed on the Revenue Department, to the amount of about thirteen thousand dollars.

THE ELECTIONS IN VIRGINIA. Twenty-one members of Congress, Eight members of the State Senate, And 124 Delegates, are to be chosen. The election is of unusual and incalculable importance. It will disclose the political sentiment of the people.

Mr. Webster.—The Hon. Daniel Webster will embark on the steamer Liverpool to-day. Having never been in Europe, "he proposes to avail himself of the rapid communication by steam power between this country and England, to visit that country with his family, and to return in season to take his seat in the Senate, at the opening of the next session of Congress.

We published, some weeks since, an account from the Norfolk papers, of a duel which took place near the North Carolina line, between J. SEAWELL JONES, of N. C. and a Mr. WILSON, of New York, in which the latter was killed.

Few men who have pursued so frank and independent a course as HENRY CLAY, have ever had to contend with so many enemies in disguise. Himself, as open as the day, he has no suspicion; he does not study tact, or meditate whether his words will be misunderstood.

One of the New York papers mentions a rumor that the President of the United States is about to lead the stars and young rich widow lady of New Hampshire.

From the New Orleans True American, May 7th. DREADFUL STEAMBOAT ACCIDENT. THIRTY LIVES LOST—ABOUT 80 PERSONS BADLY SCALDED—OTHERS BRUISED TO DEATH.

The steamer George Collier, which lay at the wharf opposite the Custom House, to undergo repairs for some time, left this city on Saturday evening last, bound for New Orleans.

At about 10 miles below Natchez, at half past 1 o'clock, A. M. a serious accident occurred, which proved dreadfully destructive of human life. The piston rod, which works in the cylinder, and by which the engine is propelled, being attached by a key or bolt which passes through the tea head, gave way, at the point which received the bolt, and being relieved from the immense weight against which it had to struggle, was driven back into the cylinder head, and gave rise to the explosion.

At 10 o'clock, the explosion occurred, and the vessel was thrown on her side, and in a few minutes was completely wrecked. The crew of 30 persons were scalded. The Chief Engineer Collier, who was at the helm, and about 15 passengers, were killed.

We are ready to inquire, how long will the patience of the people last, who are to be made to pay for the protection of their property, and the safety of their lives, by the expense of a new and more perfect system of fire insurance.

The Old School members of this Assembly met yesterday morning at the Fourth Presbyterian Church, Rutland Place; Dr. Plumer, the Moderator, presiding. After the proceedings had been opened with solemn prayer, several communications were handed in, and Dr. Alexander, Mr. Wilson, and Judge Lewis were appointed a Committee of Conference.

In the afternoon session, Dr. Joshua L. Wilson, of Cincinnati, and Dr. Breckinridge were proposed as candidates for Moderator, for the ensuing year. The votes were: Dr. Wilson, 63; Dr. Breckinridge, 64.

The New York Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church commenced its session yesterday, in the city of Brooklyn. Bishops Hedding and May were present. Bishop Vaughn will generally preside, and attend to the official acts of the Conference.

Teach your children, by example and precept never to wound a person's feelings, because he holds an humble station in life—or because he is poorly clad.

COMMUNICATION.

What do I see?—What do I hear? Is it Civilis?—Is it a voice from the tomb? I see! I hear! I feel! I am! I am!

Yes, and it speaks, too! It speaks to the heart, and to the soul, and to the conscience. It speaks to the rich, and to the poor, and to the lowly.

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THE MARKETS.

BALTIMORE MARKET. For the week ending Friday evening, May 17. BEEF.—We note a purchase of fifteen head of Beef on the hoof by the purchasing committee of the Baltimore Convention, at \$10 per lb.

RECEIPTS.—The receipts of North Carolina wool, which were immediately sold at \$11 per lb., being an advance of 25 cents on the rate of \$10 per lb., was found in four hands, and a few in second hands, the purchases having been made almost exclusively to fill orders from the interior.

SALES.—The sale of Herring, which was held at the Convention, was very successful. The sales of Herring were sold at \$5 per barrel for large lots, and \$5.25 for small lots.

GRAIN.—The market for grain is very quiet. The price of wheat is steady, and the price of corn is also steady.

MECHANIC.—The market for mechanics is very quiet. The price of iron is steady, and the price of steel is also steady.

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CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR. Nominated by J. House, Charleston, Messrs. Elliott and You.

RICHARD W. WILSON. Nominated by J. House, Charleston, Messrs. Elliott and You.

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CANDIDATES. Jefferson County. FOR HOUSE OF DELEGATES. WILLIAM C. WORTHINGTON, Esq. ANTHONY KENNEDY, Esq.

CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES. RICHARD W. BARTON, Esq. (Whig.) WILLIAM LUCAS, Esq. (Van Buren.)

DENTAL CARD. F. H. CLARK, Dentist. Of Baltimore, (late associate of Mr. Parry's)

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GRAIN CRADLES. I have supplied myself with a first rate lot of timber, and scythes...

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\$40,000, \$19,000. FOURTEEN DRAWN BALLOTS. Virginia State Lottery.

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