

## AUGUSTA, January 14.

On Monday, the 2d inst. the following gentlemen were chosen to serve as Aldermen for this town, viz. John Milton, Amasa Jackson, Reuben Coleman, Cornelius Dyfart, William Longstreet, George Barnes, and Seaborn Jones, Esquires; on Monday the 9th, they proceeded to the choice of a Mayor, out of their own body, when John Milton, Esquire, was unanimously elected. On the Thursday following, the Board having convened, proceeded to choose their Clerk, and Alexander McMillan was duly elected.

Thursday the 5th inst. being the day pointed out by law for the Justices to choose the county officers, the following gentlemen were elected for the county of Richmond, viz.

George Handley, Esq. High Sheriff; Thomas Watkins, Esq. Clerk of the Superior Court; Philip Clayton, Esq. Clerk of the Inferior Court; Henry Jones, Esq. County Surveyor; William Freeman, Esq. Register of Probats; and William Lee, Esq. Coroner.

The piece signed "*A Rationalist*," in defence of the Rev. B. A. a member of the Methodist Association, is received; but is inadmissible — Without recurring to what Mr. A. has been, or commenting on the "horrible crime he has committed with the daughter of a respectable gentleman," we have only to observe, that the secret amours of an itinerant preacher, are by no means a proper subject for a newspaper. The crime (if true) is of itself sufficiently aggravating, without giving it a free circulation through the medium of a composition which we really hold unworthy of notice.