

[From the Savannah Georgian.]

We have been requested to publish, and do so with pleasure, the following explanation of Mr. Lamar in relation to one of our citizens, offered on the occasion of Judge Clayton presenting his report on the U. S. Bank. In doing this, we take the opportunity of correcting the report of the National Intelligencer, which names "*the cashier of the State Bank,*" instead of the cashier of one of the State Banks, as the individual concerned, as we are authorised to say that gentleman has no knowledge of, or connexion with, the matter.

"Mr. Lamar asked the indulgence of the House to offer a brief statement of facts which he considered due to a gentleman having connexion with the bank, and whose conduct was implicated when the subject was some time since debated before the House.

When the resolution appointing a committee to investigate the conduct and condition of the U. S. Bank was under discussion, it will be recollected that one of my colleagues (Mr. Clayton) stated that he was authorised to say that the Cashier of the Branch U. S. Bank at Savannah, Georgia, had said to a cashier of one of the State Banks that the U. S. Bank, if re-chartered, would grind the State institutions to the dust.

Another of my colleagues (Mr. Wayne), without knowing from whom this information was derived, denied the truth of this charge.

Knowing the gentleman who communicated it as coming from the cashier of a State Bank, and that his statements were entitled to unqualified credit, *I did then as I would now do*, vouch for his respectability of character, and the verity of any assertion made by him. Understanding, however, that the cashier of that State bank, on whose declaration reliance was placed, has since denied or retracted the charge, I have felt it due to Colonel Hunter, the cashier of the U. S. Bank, to communicate it to the House.

A sense of justice, by which I hope ever to be influenced, has prompted me, so soon as it was explained, to avail myself of the earliest opportunity presented, to repair any injury to which I have, in the most remote degree, contributed. 'This reparation I most cheerfully make.'