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WEDNESDAY EVENING, SEPT 29, 1847.

For President, ZACHARY TAYLOR, OF LOUISIANA.

OFFICE

OVER SIMM'S & SON'S WINE STORE, OPPOSITE JACKSON HALL, Pennsylvania Avenue.

History of the Mexican War.

We invite the attention of the reader to the following letter from Mr. Josiah H. Polk to the Editor of the Union. In the whole range of our acquaintance we do not know a man better qualified for the task he has undertaken than Mr. Polk.

To the Editor of the Union.

Sir: That I may not hereafter be accused of unfairness, I have to request that you will permit me to state through your paper, that the History of the war with Mexico, which I took occasion several months ago to inform you I was preparing, will not interfere with that more elaborate and complete work which recently I had the pleasure to see announced in the Union, and for which a prospectus has already been issued.

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Sir: I have no doubt, myself, that "Interrogator" is very anxious to know this fact; for, if I mistake not, he has been a candidate for that office two or three times already, and defeated, and perhaps intends to try it again at the next election: But, it won't do—he can't come it.

Commissioner of the Fourth Ward.

SEPTEMBER 28, 1847.

OXFORD CO., MAINE, Sept. 16, 1847.

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Robinson's Buena Vista.

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Because the work was done as well as it could be done without having a tailor (Taylor) to do it!

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He might as well attempt to enjoin the North-west wind from blowing or the lightning from passing where it listeth. He has been gone a week.

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The slave killed was the driver, a species of overseer on nearly all the plantations in the country. The deceased was stabbed thirteen times. Jealousy is alleged as the cause.

To the Editor of the National Whig.

Sir: In the National Whig of the 21st inst. there are some queries signed "Interrogator," which I propose to answer, so far as concerns myself, if no more.

First. Why has not the notice of the Commissioner of the Fourth Ward, in relation to the repairs of pavements, (given in April last), been attended to, except in one instance; and why does he thus neglect his duty?

Answer. The fact is, there was but bare one notice given to repair pavements in April last; and that, with some others given in June and July, have not been attended to by the owners of the lots, but will be by the Commissioner, as soon as the Corporation paving can do the work.

Secondly. Why does the Mayor furnish a room in the City Hall to the Commissioner of the Fourth Ward, and not to the commissioners of the other wards, who are equally entitled to this accommodation?

Answer. The City Hall is very convenient for the Commissioner of the Fourth Ward; but, it is presumed that the commissioners of the other wards would not thank the Mayor, to compel them to come to the City Hall to transact their business, when they can do it with so much more convenience to themselves at home.

Once more. Does the Mayor intend to be a standing candidate for life for the Mayoralty of the City?

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SEPARATION IMPOSSIBLE.

The following is from the Courier des Etats Unis of Saturday: A man and wife who had been married ten years, were established in the mercantile business in the Street St. Dennis; having a dispute, they resolved to separate, and agreed to leave the decision of their matter to the justice of the peace of the district. Accordingly they each went to state their grievances to the magistrate.

LAUGH AND BE MERRY!

Comic, Quizzical, Droll, and Eccentric LECTURES AND CONCERT. For one night more, by particular request, E. C. ALLEN, familiarly known as Yankee Clinch, THE surprising and unparalleled performer of Eccentric Characters, and a Yokeholder of Dutch, Irish, Yankee, French, and Yorkshire peculiarities, who never fails to cheer parties of hearty laughter, would most respectfully announce to the inhabitants of this city, that he will hold his last public levee at Apollo Hall, on Wednesday evening, September 29.

BROWN'S PAINTINGS.

HEROES OF PALO ALTO, RESACA, MONTEZUMA, AND BUENA VISTA! AT ODD FELLOWS HALL, WILL BE EXHIBITED, FOR TWO WEEKS, the portraits of Gens. TAYLOR and WOOL; Colonel Monroe, Belknap, Mansfield, and Whiting; Majors Bliss, Bragg, and Eaton; Capt. Ramsey, Garnett, and Linnard; Surgeon Craig, Medical Director, orderly Bughman, (who was captured at Buena Vista), and "Old Whitey," the famous war-horse of Gen. Taylor.

BALTIMORE PATRIOT OFFICE.

FLOUR.—The supply of Flour continues light, and holders of Howard st. brands are firm in asking \$5.82, at which price about 600 bls. in all have been sold this morning; there are, however, more sellers than buyers at these figures. About 400 bls. sold yesterday at the same figure.—There were sales yesterday afternoon late of some 600 bls. City Mills at \$5.37, 45-43, and a small sale at \$5.50, which latter figures are now firmly asked, but no sales are reported to-day. Rye Flour \$4.12; Corn Meal \$3.12.

GRAIN.—The receipts of Grain are unusually light, and it is now asserted by those who have an opportunity of knowing, that the crop in Maryland will not be much more than half a crop, as to quantity.—Prices are up and tending upwards. Sales of good to prime red at 108.117 cts; ordinary to good do. 100.103 cts; white do. 115.143 cts.—the latter figures for such as is suitable for family flour. White Corn 68.70 cts; yellow do. 60.62 cts; sales of Rye at 73.75 cts, and of Oats at 35 to 45 cts.—some choice lots a few cents higher.

BEEF CATTLE.—There were offered at the scales, on Monday, 600 head beefs, of which 400 were sold to city packers and butchers, at prices ranging \$2 to \$2.87 per 100 lbs. on the hoof, equal to \$3.45, 50 net, and averaging about \$2.43 gross. Of the above, 102 head were driven to New York and 38 left over unsold.

PROVISIONS.—This market is without any special change. Sales yesterday of prime Pork at \$10, cash, and Mess do. \$13. 1/2 nos. Nothing doing in Beef. Sales of Bacon shoulders on Saturday and yesterday at 86 cts, and some very prime parcels brought 84 cts. Sides have declined. Sales at 81 1/2 cts. Prime Hams 11 cts, and a sale of 300 Scheuery's family Hams at 12 cts. No sales of Lard, and no change to notice in prices.

WHISKEY.—This article is dull. Small sales at 25 1/2 cts. per gallon in hhd. and blbls.

SALES AT THE BALTIMORE STOCK BOARD.

TUESDAY, Sept. 28. \$100 U. S. Treasury Notes, 6's 104; \$400 Baltimore 6's, 1851, (opening) 100; 20 shares Baltimore and Ohio R. road, 47; United States 6's of 1869 closed at 100; asked, 105 bid; Treasury 6's, at 104; asked, 103 bid; Maryland 6's closed at 89 asked, (for the opening,) 87 bid; Baltimore 6's 1850, at 100 asked (for the opening,) 100 bid; Baltimore and Ohio Railroad shares at 47; asked, 47 bid.

NEW YORK, Sept. 28.

The telegraph has recovered from the effects of the equinox, and the communication is again perfect.

THE MARKET FOR FLOUR IS STEADY, AND THE DEMAND GOOD, WITH RATHER AN UPWARD TENDENCY.

The sales of good brands to-day are to the extent of about 5000 barrels, at \$5.75 for fresh ground old Genesee. Parcels marked B. (bad) are selling at 4 3/4-37, and those that have not passed inspection, at 1 1/2-1 3/4. Georgetown, Baltimore, &c., is nominally held at 5 3/4-36.

WHEAT IS FIRM, AND THERE HAVE BEEN EARLY TO-DAY OF NEW GENESSEE AT 1.22 A \$1.23.

About 4,000 bushels from New Orleans sold at \$1. Corn is in good supply, and the tendency is rather upwards. The sales to-day are 20,000 bushels at 64 1/2 cents for mixed and 66 1/2 for bright mixed and yellow.

THE PORK MARKET IS BUOYANT, AND HOLDERS ARE ASKING AN ADVANCE.

Sales of about 1,000 barrels were made to-day at \$14 for mess, and \$10 75 for prime, being an advance since yesterday.

COTTON IS HEAVY, WITH SALES OF ABOUT 1,000 BALES.

The market has a downward tendency, and is full 1/2 a cent below the current prices before the steamer.

THE FRENCH STEAMER PHILADELPHIA HAS NOW BEEN OUT THIRTEEN DAYS, AND WILL PROBABLY BE IN BEFORE THE HIBERNIA, WHICH HAS NOW BEEN OUT NINE DAYS.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 28.

The Stock market is quiet. Government securities are at a stand.

Flour is scarce; holders are somewhat above the views of buyers—they are offering to sell at \$5.75, without finding purchasers. Corn Meal is held at \$3 per barrel.

The receipts of grain are very light, and those who have wheat for sale are asking more than purchasers seem disposed to give. Reds, good to prime, may be quoted nominally at 115-120c, and white do. 130-140 c. Nothing doing in corn; sales of oats at 39 1/2-42c; rye 78c.

PROVISIONS AND GROCERIES REMAIN UNCHANGED, BUT RATHER DULL.

The cotton market is inactive and sales have been made at a decline of 1 per lb. since the steamer. Whiskey is selling at 27 cts. per gallon in blbls. The weather is very pleasant. Nothing from Pittsburg.

TO TEACHERS.

A LARGE FLOURISHING SCHOOL, in active operation, will be sold with fixtures, &c., if application be made immediately. The School will average 60 pupils at fair prices. About \$50 will purchase the whole concern. Apply at the National Whig Office. Sep 21 40

STATE ELECTIONS TO TAKE PLACE.

The following general elections are yet to take place: Georgia, Oct. 4; Mississippi, Nov. 1; Florida, " 4; Louisiana, " 2; Arkansas, " 4; Texas, " 2; Maryland, " 6; New York, " 2; S. Carolina, " 11; New Jersey, " 2; Pennsylvania, " 12; Massachusetts, " 8; Ohio, " 12; Delaware, " 9; Michigan, Nov. 1.

account for the result. Nothing defeated Mr. Morse but the new doctrine of "No more Territory."

Had Mr. M. stuck to the Wilmot Proviso, he would have gone in with flying colors. But let it be as it is—only we protest against abusing the Whig voters of Maine for not going with the Whig Politicians in this attempt, at fastening upon the whole Whig party of the Union what it has not yet consented to make a party doctrine.—EDITOR.

A TERRIBLE SCENE.

In passing through Constance street, in the Third Municipality, says the last New Orleans National, we were startled by cries emanating from the rear of a house, which we happened to be passing; they were of so painful and heart-rending a nature, that we rushed through the passage to the spot—years can never eradicate the scene that presented itself.—On the balcony of the house stood, or rather struggled, a man, nearly naked, held by two interesting young girls from twelve to fifteen years of age. He was delicious and evidently in the last stage of that dreadful malady, "Yellow Fever." To rush up stairs and prevent the unfortunate victim from throwing himself over the balcony, was but the work of a moment. His struggles were dreadful, but they were the last efforts of expiring nature, and did not last long; he gradually sunk upon the floor, and ceased at a moment seemed to return; he held the hands of his daughters, gazing at them with a countenance in which mental and physical agony seemed terribly blended. Hard, indeed, would it be to say which were the greater—the painful contention of the strong in an with his last failing breath, or the mental suffering created by the black and gloomy forebodings of the fate awaiting his now innocent and friendless girls. One convulsive struggle shook his frame to its life's seat, and with one long drawn sigh his spirit fled. He was a corpse—leaving nothing behind save the dead and ghastly expression of contumacious, so indicative of pain.

Thus the two young creatures were left at the mercy of a cold world (their mother having died the week before), "strangers in a stranger land," with none to stretch out the hand of true friendship towards them, a prey, perhaps, to the wiles of the profligate, and the deceptfulness of pretended friends.

"That the incorporation of the left bank of the Rio del Norte into the American Union, by virtue of a treaty with Texas, comprehending, as the said incorporation would do, a part of the Mexican departments of New Mexico, Chihuahua, Coahuila and Tamaulipas, was an act of direct aggression upon Mexico, for all the consequences of which the United States would stand responsible."—Mr. Benton's Anti-Texas speech.

AND YET—AND YET—THIS SAME MR. BENTON VOTED FOR THE RESOLUTIONS INCORPORATING THIS IDENTICAL TERRITORY INTO THE AMERICAN UNION, WHEN HIS VOTE HAD PREVENTED ITS INCORPORATION! Oh, sage statesman! Oh, self-sacrificing patriot!

ANOTHER LINE OF TELEGRAPH.

We learn that Mr. Henry Rogers, of this city, says the Baltimore Patriot of last evening has secured the right of way from the Baltimore and Susquehanna Railroad, to construct a telegraph line from Baltimore to connect with the Western line constructed by Mr. O'Reilly, either at Lancaster or Harriburg. It has not yet been decided whether Morse's or House's instrument will be used. The existence of a telegraph between the above points will be of great advantage to our merchants, who desire direct communication with the West, and save expense and delay of sending messages by the way of Philadelphia. Mr. Rogers is familiar with the system of telegraphing, and we have no doubt will manage this line satisfactorily.

SCHNEBER'S STEAM ENGINE.

A new rotary steam engine, of 25 horse power, says the N. Y. Mirror, was exhibited at the machine shop of Dumban & Browning, corner of West and North More streets, on Saturday afternoon, and fully realized all the expectations that had been formed of it by its inventors. The advantages of this engine over the reciprocating motion are very great. It is worked by two pistons inside the cylinder, and saves about 33 per cent, in space, weight, fuel and steam, while its increase of power is about 33 per cent, over other engines now in use. The inventors of this engine are two brothers, Messrs. W. & T. Schneber, of Hagerstown Md. They have devoted ten years to this object, and at last have constructed a machine that fully realizes their aim, and we have no doubt it will prove as profitable to them as it will be beneficial to the public.

SERIOUS COMPLAINT.

Some eight gentlemen who came in the French steamer New York, have published a card, wherein they warn all American travellers from taking passage in any of this new line of steamers, unless they wish to be "insulted, brutally treated, famished for water, and live in a state of conversation." Much of the cause of the complaint arises, doubtless, from the haste with which the line has been organized.—N. Y. Express.

THE THREE GENTLEMEN.

On the visitor's book at St. Helena, the following lines were inscribed over the signature of a "Britisher":

Roney was a gentleman, a soldier brave and true, But Washington did win him at the field of Waterloo!

The next day an American visited the place, and wrote this reply immediately under them, over the signature of a "A Yankee":

But braver still, and better far, and tougher than shoe Was Washington! a man wot would have wopp'd 'em both together!

THE CORN CROP.

The Nashville Union says that from every quarter, in Tennessee we hear that the corn crop will be better than ever before. More land is in cultivation than at any previous year, and it will probably yield more to the acre on an average.

Our Correspondent's condemnation of the policy of the Whigs acting with the Abolitionists, is in a party view of the question, is just, but his effort to place the defeat of Mr. Morse to the account of their aid and the bolting of the Abolition Whigs out of their party into the Liberty Party, while it is worthy of commendation for its ingenuity, does not, to our mind, sufficiently

GEORGETOWN ADVERTISEMENTS.

LOTTERIES FOR THIS WEEK.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29. 1 Grand capital \$50,728 20 Capital prizes, each 5,000 Lowest 3 number tickets 500 Tickets only \$10.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30. Capital prize \$10,000 Tickets only \$5.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1. Capital prize \$7,000 12 drawn balls out of 66 tickets. Tickets only \$2.50.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2. Capital prize \$4,000 15 drawn balls out of 78. Tickets only \$1.

SAME DAY, ALEXANDRIA LOTTERY. Capital \$36,000 15 drawn balls out of 78. In a package, there must be 15 prizes to 11 blanks: this is a chance, indeed. Tickets and shares in the above can be obtained from the subscriber, at his office on Bridge st. Georgetown, sep 29—418 J. W. BRONOUGH.

FALL FASHIONS.

THE subscriber has just received his fall style of Cloths, Cassimers, and Vestings, to which he would invite the attention of his customers and others, he being prepared to execute all orders in this line equal to any other in the District or elsewhere. To those who are in the habit of getting clothes at the North he would merely say as a trial, fully satisfied that he is competent to do all that they pretend their northern tailors can do in fit, fashion or workmanship. WM. A. RICHARDSON, Merchant Tailor, Bridge st. Georgetown, 5 doors west Union Hotel Sep 29-31

CITY LOTS FOR SALE.

THE SUBSCRIBER is authorized to sell the following Property— Lot No. 145, on 31 st. street, Georgetown, D. C. Lot No. 11, in Square 16 on 23 1/2 st. street, between 1 and F. streets, Washington City. JNO. W. BRONOUGH, General Agent, Bridge street, Georgetown, D. C. sep 26 2nd

JOHN W. BRONOUGH'S LOTTERY, EXCHANGE, AND GENERAL AGENCY OFFICE.

6 doors west Union Hotel, Bridge street, Georgetown, D. C. Where all orders will be promptly and confidentially attended to. sep 26 1/2

LAMPS! LAMPS!!

JUST received a large assortment of Lamps, consisting of Oil, Spirit, and Pine Oil for Stoves, Parlors, and Hotels. Fabrik's Burning Fluid and Lamps. A constant supply of Pure Oil, Pure Spirit, Lamp and Solar Oil, Wicks, Shades, for all kinds of Lamps. Fine Oil Lamps, Cleaned and Repaired, by sep 27 1m C. WHITTELEY, 6 C. street, South Buildings.

NOTICE!!!

NO HUMBUGGER. To Housekeepers, and all to whom it may concern: An insinuation appears to prevail in the District, that no place, can come, etc. with the North, for cheap and good work; to eradicate this erroneous impression, the subscriber would respectfully inform Housekeepers, and the public in general, that he has opened a new establishment on Pennsylvania Avenue, between 12th and 13th streets, outside, for the purpose of carrying on the Picture Frame business, in all its various branches. He will manufacture all kinds of Portrait Pictures, and Looking Glass Frames, Box Carving, &c. &c. of the best material, and in the neatest manner, Twenty-Five per cent cheaper than ever before offered in this District. N. B. All kinds of Engraving done; also Looking Glass Plates, inserted in old Frames. All orders executed with the greatest despatch. Terms cash on delivery. JOHN WAGNER, sep 27 1m

TO THE VOLUNTEERS, CLAIMANTS, &c.

General Agency at the City of Washington, D. C. SAMUEL STEPHENSON, General Agent, New York City, has the honor to inform the Volunteers and Claimants of the United States Regulars, and the representatives of the deceased Soldiers, that he is prepared to undertake the settlement of their Claims, with the Department at Washington. He will procure Bounty, Land Warrants, Treasury Scrips, Pensions for the Wounded, Pensions for the Widows of the Deceased, and all other Claims, Arrangements of pay rendered, Mileage, or any other Claim or Claims against the General Government, that may be confided to his management, will be speedily attended to. His terms are moderate. He can be consulted at any time, between 8 o'clock, A. M., and 6 o'clock, P. M., at his office on 15th street, opposite the Treasury Department. sep 27 1m

COAL DEPOT.

Lenox's Wharf, near the Long Bridge. The Subscriber would respectfully inform his patrons and the public that he is receiving daily by the above article of the various kinds and qualities, (which will make his present stock equal to any in the District,) consisting of Butler, Red Ash, Pine Knot, Broad Mountain, Clover Hill, suitable for Cooking ranges, radiators, grates, furnaces, &c. I have had, at considerable expense, my yard planked, and have erected a commodious shed for a reception of the coal from the dust and weather, and would state to those persons who may obtain their stock of me in the fall, that in case the quantity purchased should be found not sufficient for the season, (as is the case very frequently,) only a small advance will be made on the price to supply the deficiency. I would request the citizens generally to call before making their purchases, as I am resolved to dispose of the article at reasonable rates. N. B. Each load accompanied by the certificate of a sworn weigher. Orders will be received at the "Butler Coal Office," Mr. S. E. Mastell's Drug Store, on Pennsylvania Avenue, opposite Coleman's Hall; or they may be left with Mr. John F. Callan, Drug Store, corner of 7th and C streets; (either of whom will refer to me;) through the post office; or at the Yard, on 13 1/2 street, near the Long Bridge. sep 26—2aw6w JOHN PETTIBONE.

"Smooth and Ready" Paint Shop.

Thankful for small jobs and grateful for large ones. W. BERON, PAINTER, PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, between 9th and 10th streets, south side, begs leave to inform the public, that he is prepared to execute the Painting Business, in all its various branches, such as Houses, Signs, Banners, Transparencies, Fire-escapes, Graining, Paper-Varnishing and Gilding; which will be attended to in any part of the city, without delay. He respectfully solicits a share of public patronage, and hopes to merit it by good work, close attention to business, and reasonable charges. It is confident that he can work at prices low enough to make it to the interest of all to give him a call. N. B. I am also prepared to execute all kinds of plain and ornamental japanning, Bronzing and Gilding, both in wood and metals, also that beautiful finish the WHITE POLISH. sep 3 1/2 W. BERON.

CHINA, GLASS, EARTHEN-WARE, BRILLIANT TANNIA-WARE, SOLAR, OIL & LARD LAMPS, &c., &c.

Wholesale and retail, opposite Brown's Hotel, Pennsylvania Avenue. T. Purcell anxious to reduce his extensive stock of the above articles, will sell at reduced prices for the CASH. He solicits a call from his friends and public generally, at his Store on Washington, Pennsylvania Avenue. THOS. PURSELL, sep 3 1/2

TOOTH-ACHE DROPS.

An immediate and Perfect cure. For sale by CHARLES STOTT, Druggist & Apothec