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BLACKWOOD FOR JULY - Messrs. Weld & Co. have laid upon our table the July number of Blackwood's Magazine...

OLYMPIC THEATRE - The usual variety of entertainments is offered at this establishment this evening...

FROM JAMAICA - The bark St. Mary, Captain Schneider, arrived yesterday from Kingston the 5th inst...

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MURDER - About 12 o'clock on Sunday last, while the steamer Gen. Worth was lying at the wharf of R. Christian, in Islesboro county, Maine, a man named Spriggs, an engineer on the plantation, shot the overseer, Mr. Taylor, with an air-gun...

THE foreign steamer United States sailed from New York, on the 5th inst, for Havre, with 48 passengers and 150,000 in specie.

COMMERCE OF SAVANNAH - The exports of Cotton from the port of Savannah during the month of July last amounted to 5,185,883 lbs, valued at \$24,045, of which that exported in foreign vessels amounted to \$259,822 - in American, \$33,643.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT - By and with the advice and consent of the Senate, Collector of the Customs - Arnold Leffis, district of Brunswick, Georgia, (new office)...

SALE OF GOVERNMENT VESSELS - The condemned U. S. brig Boyer and U. S. schooner Experiment, were sold a few days since at the Philadelphia Navy Yard...

IT IS WELL FOR AMERICAN VESSELS that wish to enter at Buenos Ayres not to touch at Montevideo, on account of their petty duties.

A BOSTON NOTION - The Marshal of Boston has prosecuted a number of omnibus drivers for going through Washington street with their vehicles - Washington street is one of the chief thoroughfares of Boston.

STRIKE OF THE OMNIBUS DRIVERS - The omnibus drivers in New York held a meeting on the 7th inst, at which it was resolved that they would hereafter refuse to work for less than \$1 50 per day.

MR. GEORGE SIMPSON, President of the Hudson's Bay Company of England, is now in Philadelphia.

SCHOONER JULIET - This vessel, lately seized at Rio de Janeiro by the U. S. steamer Allegany, turns out to have had nothing on board which would authorize her detention as a slave ship.

DEATHS - The deaths in New York last week were 268 - men 67, women 54, boys 135, girls 112. By consumption 37, convulsions 37, cholera infantum 4, small pox 7, typhus fever 7...

LOUISIANA - The Weather - Crops - The St. Francisville Chronicle of the 12th says: "For a week past we have had fine weather, with cool nights and mornings. Our planters have commenced picking cotton. Notwithstanding the injury done by the late heavy rains, should the present weather continue, and the worm not make its appearance, the crop will be made. The sugar cane looks remarkably well. Those who intend grinding this season have nearly completed the necessary arrangements. There will be at least twenty-five hundred horsepower of sugar shipped from West Feliciana the coming season..."

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