

WRECK OF THE PACKET SHIP HENRY CLAY.

The Weekly Herald will be published at 8 o'clock this morning. This number of this paper will contain the fullest particulars of the recent dreadful wreck...

The Baltimore De Meyer was received with equal enthusiasm and astonishment. He gave three concerts there—was invited to a number of dinner parties, and created in private quiet enthusiasm...

We published in an Extra Herald, yesterday, afternoon, the message of the Governor General of Canada to the Provincial Parliament, on its opening on the 20th inst. We re-publish it in another column of to-day's paper.

The present state of the parties in this city is certainly a very peculiar one. The charter election is approaching, and all the cliques feel it necessary to exert every means in their power, first to get a ticket which shall be popular, and then to sustain it in a creditable manner.

The democratic party have already held their Mayoralty Convention, and unanimously offered the nomination to William F. Havemeyer—probably the most popular Mayor New York has lately had.

What is the great democratic party to do in this quandary? They must nominate a man who is popular with the whole people, or else the people will break through party traces and run an independent ticket; or the whigs and natives will combine, and elect, probably, the native Mayor and the whig Alms House Commissioner.

The whigs have also met in Mayoralty Convention, and adjourned without doing any thing. Their hope of success is so small that they have little enterprise, and only wait for a favorable wind, which they think may, some how or other, get them, if not entirely, at least partially into power.

The native party has been galvanized into life again, and has nominated as Mayor, William B. Cozzens, Esq., a man very popular, not alone with the small party whom he directly represents, but with a large portion of independent citizens.

There appears to be considerable difficulty in the two great parties about getting a candidate for this office, and there is some chance of its going a begging. The democrats are in trouble, on account of Mr. Havemeyer's declining; the Germans are in trouble, in consequence of Col. Alexander Hamilton's declining; and the whigs are in a quandary, and are undecided whether they better make a nomination or combine with the natives.

In the mean time, leaving the parties to work out their own salvation, we should like to see some popular man nominated as an independent candidate. Let this be done, and there will be some fun at the polls on the 14th of April next.

NATIONAL FAIR.—We perceive that certain pro-circular members of Congress have issued a circular, respectively inviting "The artists, mechanics, and manufacturers of the United States, with their prices, to be compared with the British manufactures sent from Manchester, and now being exhibited in the room of the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads, to influence the action of Congress in relation to the proposed modification of the tariff."

It is not at all probable that this great national fair will materially affect the action of the government, but its results will certainly be beneficial in other respects. It will serve to strengthen the bonds of amity between the various sections of the Union, and ally, in a great measure, that hostile feeling which unfortunately exists between the manufacturing and agricultural portions of the people; and, moreover, it will prove to the world that we are, within ourselves, capable of producing whatever our wants may require.

It is also to be hoped that we all have some degree of national pride; and what could be more gratifying to that honorable feeling than a national exhibition of the vast varieties of our popular industry, gathered from North, South, East and West. We trust that this circular will be universally and heartily responded to. And let all the manufacturers send their parcels to Adams & Co. in this city; Livingston & Co. in Albany, and Sanford & Shoemaker, in Philadelphia and Baltimore, and they will reach Washington in safety. Let us see what a show can be made.

LEOPOLD DE MEYER.—This wonderful musical genius is now on his way towards New Orleans. Since he left New York, his career has been brilliant in the extreme, up to the last accounts. In Philadelphia, we learn, he gave three splendid and brilliant concerts—each averaging \$1,500 a piece—besides playing at \$600 for one night, for the "Musical Fund Hall" in that city.

A single fact will show this appreciation of his skill, as calculated by the almighty dollar. The "Musical Fund Hall," at a similar concert, gave Cinti Davmarca \$100; for similar services it gave Vioux Tempa \$150, and Ole Bull \$250—thus showing the comparative estimate as to the services of these artists.

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