

# BURLINGTON FREE PRESS, FRIDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 24, 1854.

—The Washington *Sentinel*, says a company of upwards of 50 manumitted slaves, formerly belonging to the estates of Masters, Geo. Latimer & H. Herndon of Fairfax and Loudon counties, Virginia, have recently sailed for Liberia. The news of the slaves give the emigrants an outfit of clothing, and mechanical and mechanic's tools, provisions, and cooking utensils, costing two thousand dollars.

—THE FOLLOWING important facts were elicited during the recent examination of a candidate for schoolmaster in Ogdensburg. That General Scott was the present President of the United States; that Martin Van Buren was the second President of the U. S., and was now the Governor of New York; that Christopher Columbus was an Englishman, and discovered this country two hundred years ago, by landing near the North Pole; did not recollect whether he came in a sail or steam vessel; candidate was well acquainted with Fulton, having often seen him in Madrid, N. Y.; that Washington had something to do with the Revolution—could not tell whether he was white or black; The official who conducted the examination declined to give a certificate on the ground of his high ability for the position of common page.

—English papers tell of continual explosion and fire at Newcastle on the Tyne. Two factories were on fire and surrounded by crowds of people, when an explosion occurred in one of them, in which were stored gunpowder, saltpeter and gunpowder, throwing masses of burning matter all over the town, and killing, cartridge factory, nearly 40 persons. In addition to the dead bodies that were recovered from the ruins, 112 persons, more or less injured, were carried to the Newcastle Infirmary. The fire is said to have been the most disastrous that any town in England has experienced since the great fire in London. It raged for forty-three hours.

—Jesus, recite your Scripture lesson.—“John the Baptist was forty days and nights in the wilderness, clothed in cammoufle’s hair with a leather girdle around his neck and his meat was locos and wild onions.”—“That’s a good little boy, you can take my seat.”

—Additional Foreign News—Louis Napoleon backed out in the South Case.—Accounts from Subsidiary state that the regions in and around the city are so covered with dead bodies as to infect the air.

—Cholera and Typhus fever continue to prevail among the Allied troops, and many officers as well as men had perished.

It is announced that the Emperor of France had backed out of his position in the South case, and has invited him to pass through France on his way to Spain.

—New Republic.—An expedition is soon to leave this city to establish a republic in the Mosquito territory, from Mexico.

—Death to Buckwheat Cakes.—More sorrow than wantonness, do we print this paragraph. We fear ‘tis true, and mourn the pity—

Buckwheat cakes are not well adapted to women or children. Men who are engaged in out-door operations have strong digestive organs, and are disposed to eat what they can digest, but no one of us in our senses would be disposed to constipation or dyspepsia. Child should never eat until they have eaten a full set of teeth, and then should be carefully watched until they become accustomed to them, for they are leathery.

—Our Mexican Acquisition.—An old traveller and well known correspondent of the N. Y. Tribune, Julius French, has recently traversed the tract of new territory, acquired by the last treaty with Mexico, and for which the Administration has paid the moderate sum of ten millions of the people’s money.

French states that the tract contains some beautiful and valuable portions, but the greater part of this addition to the United States consists of deserts unfit for ever becoming the habitation of men. These tracts, it is true, are not exactly without vegetation, but the character of this vegetation is such as to make them even more fit for nourishing cattle, not to speak of the great want of water, which it might perhaps be easier to remedy than the sterility of the soil. Whenever the vegetation consists of *Leymus* and certain other shrubs of which I do not know the name, the soil is always sterile; but here we see plains of hundreds of miles where even these shrubs are of a very poor growth. Larger tracts, indeed, are not better than the ill-tempered desert north of the Colorado."

—Mrs. HAMILTON.—Mrs. Elizabeth Hamilton, daughter of General Schuyler, of Revolutionary memory, and widow of General Alexander Hamilton, the able and friend of Washington, died in the City of Washington on the 9th inst., at the advanced age of ninety-seven years and three months. On Saturday last the funeral services were performed over her remains in presence of a large congregation in Trinity Church, New York, and her remains were deposited under the same stone which covers the dust of her husband, who died about fifty years ago. Up to the time of her death it is said she always wore her widow’s dress. She died without a struggle, in full communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church, and surrounded by her surviving children. The National Intelligence gives her as 87.

—President’s Message.—A dispatch from Hartford, of this morning says, this city has this morning been the theatre of the most intense excitement growing out of the refusal of the Roman Catholic Bishop to allow the remains of Father Brady to be buried near the church, in consequence of some difficulty the Bishop had suspended Brady, and the treatment which the latter had received is believed to have induced the disease which he died.

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—Bank Robbery.—The Windham Bank at Windham, Ct., was robbed last night of \$22,000 in bills and coins. The robbers gained access to the bank early in the evening and when the bank watchman came, they seized, gagged, and blindfolded him.

—President’s Message.—A dispatch from Washington says that President Pierce is busily engaged upon his message and will especially attend to disasters at sea.

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