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FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

HENRY CLAY.

OF KENTUCKY.

Subject to the decision of a National Convention.

The disposition of planters to raise their own breadstuffs in a favorable indication for the south. Experience has shown that it is extremely hurtful for agriculture to be dependent on other states for necessary plantation supplies, and should the southern planters generally adopt the practice of raising their own corn and fix far as practicable, their own meat, a immediate improvement in the condition of the country would take place. By devoting a portion of the soil to the production of grains for home consumption, there would be a necessary diminution in the quantity of staple produced, which would prevent the market from being glutted; and the reduced demand for western produce would cause a reduction in the price of those commodities, this high prices of which are now the principal source of embarrassment to the planter. The crop of cotton lessened by this means would sell for as much with a large crop, with an over supplied market, and all that the planter would save in purchasing corn, would be so much clear gain. It has been said, with more truth than would strike a superficial observer that a country that buys all it uses and sells all it raises can never grow rich. It argues certainly, a great want of foresight, for a farmer to be dependent on others for such necessaries as can be produced upon his plantation.

The idea that a man's wealth is in proportion to the quantity of produce sent to market is a too prevalent fallacy. In rural economy, wealth, may more justly be said to be, an independence of external supply. That planter will attain wealth who has least to purchase in conducting his affairs. There may be occasional seasons when the lands devoted to staples, were they cultivated in staples would yield more money than the grain would cost, but such seasons are exceptions to the general rule. Look for instance, at the cotton planters who have kept in the habit of growing their own corn, and raising their own meat very few of them have been overwhelmed by the recent embarrassments, whilst many others who stopped a proportionate amount of staples to market, have been reduced to want. The immense yield of the cotton crops would induce a belief that cotton growing countries are the richest on earth. Such however is not the fact. The western farming states send comparatively little to market, as a class, are richer, than the planters, for the reason that whatever they sell is clear profit. The proceeds of a cotton plantation give a very inadequate notion of the profits of the planter for his supplies may cost him more than the return of his crop—and as those supplies are continually thus wasting in price, the planter has the risk of his own crop to encounter and that also of the western producer.

It would be shameful to say that the southern farmer cannot raise corn for less money than it can be bought in the west for, and hauled to the south, and waggoned to the plantations. Besides, the western supplies are sometimes short, and the grain frequently damaged before it reaches its destination. These contingencies and expenses would be avoided by growing grain on the plantations." Besides, when once the planter begins to grow his own supplies, he will be found that other expenses might be stayed. It is a symptom of economy, which, when once it takes a good hold on the southern producer will have a magic effect in reorganizing his resources.

FIRE.—A fire broke out at half past three o'clock yesterday afternoon, in a house in Mandeville street, between Good Children and Love streets, occupied by Mr Crozell. The flames rapidly extended to the adjoining dwelling, confirmed by Mr St. Amand. The house, together with a hay and corn warehouse, adjacent to the property of Mr. St. Amand, were totally consumed. The greater part of the furniture was saved. No insurance had been effected on the house.

RICHELIEU, *by E. L. Bulwer.*—This is such a drama as we should reasonably expect from the author of "Pelham," and it is as far superior to that class of Lovian dignity of thought, delineation of character and splendor of imagery, as is the lager to the majority of dramatic works, in intensity of interest and freshness, and variety of incident. Considered purely as a play, Richelieu is undoubtedly entitled to a high rank in the scale of historic efforts. Its story, in which history and fiction are skilfully and naturally interwoven, is exceedingly impressive. The usual ingredients of the drama are there: ambition, love, a hero and a rival: while the haughty prelate and inexorable minister—all certible to human affection towards a solitary being—finds subsidiary, through the influence of his only passion, to the happiness of the unfortunate and persecuted lovers.

The character of Richelieu is portrayed with marvellous power and precision, while the inferior personages are all moulded into distinct and individual shapes by the plastic genius of the gifted author. The action is not so lively and bustling as that of the Lady of Lyons, nor is the interest which it inspires of that absorbing, breathless nature, which the story of Cinematic life, when effectively narrated, is certain to arouse. But the piece is nevertheless invested with abundant incident and quite a sufficient quantum of stage effect, to prevent it from ever flagging or becoming wearisome.

As a poem, Richelieu is *inferior* to Ion. It lacks the exquisite polish and finiliness, though fricid beauty of that noble tragedy. But Mr. Bulwer's production has more strength and vigor than Ion—it is less paramonious and though less philosophical and profound, it is better adapted to warm the fancy and awake the feelings. It must not, however, be understood that Richelieu is at all deficient in the characteristics of genius. There are whole pages which exhibit unequivocal evidences of mind, of thoughtful, vigorous, active mind. The maxims of wisdom and the rapid reflections of a keen and subtle wit, frequently pierce through as highly wrought language and gorgeous metaphore while a fervid and brilliant imagination literally imbues its glow and radiance into the sentences and sentiments, of exquisite beauty, giving richness and melody to the diction. In short, Richelieu is a very beautiful play, and will undoubtedly add another leaf to the literary wreath that embellishes the brow of Bulwer.

VIRGINIA ELECTIONS.

The returns from the Old Dominion, are still incomplete; many of them are contradictory and garbled one so much so, that with every disposition to furnish our readers with impartial and satisfactory statements, we find it difficult to arrive at positive results. The battle has been fought on both sides with great energy and activity, and the majorities are generally small;—but it must be acknowledged that the locofocos have stood their ground much better than we were led to imagine. The end of the week will, perhaps, enable us to ascertain exactly the losses and gains, and to solve the important question, whether Virginia will be represented in the United States senate at the coming session, by a friend or opponent of the administration.

CONGRESS.

The districts from which complete returns have been received are the following —

Whigs and cons.	*Locofocos.*
John J. Hill,	Joel Holleman,
H. A. Wise,	Francis E. Rives,
John M. Botts,	John W. Jones,
James Garland,	Geo. C. Dromgoole,
C. F. Mercer,	L. Banks,
R. M. Hunter,	William Lucas,
Tallaferro,	G. C. Samuel,
	Robert Craig,
	Lewis Steenrod,
	Walter Coles.

Seven whigs to five locofocos. It is proper to add that the election of Hunter (W.) and Tallaferro (W.) is yet considered doubtful by the administration journals. The other districts to be heard from were represented in the last congress as follows:

Cons.	L. F.
Geo. W. Hopkins.	Archibald Stewart
	Andrew Beirne,
	Joseph Johnson.

In two of these districts (Hopkins' and Stewart's) the chances are favorable to the whigs—which will make the delegation stand 9 whigs 12 locofocos. At the congressional election in the late congress, it stood 9 whigs 15 locofocos.

Senate.—The whigs have as yet gained two senators so that the senate now stands 16 locofocos, 8 whigs and conservatives.

House of Delegates.—The administration papers claim out of two-thirds of the counties heard from, 20 locofocos to 50 whigs. This would constitute a whig gain of 13. Returns are yet to be received in relation between thirty and forty counties.

We learn by the Iberville Gazette that a fellow, by the name of Saffer, belonging to Loudon, Co. Virginia, has been recently playing the double game of horse selling and stealing.

On the 30th April last, while the steamboat Augusta was mooring, at Hackett's Point, nearly opposite Bayou Manchac, a negro fellow belonging to Saffer, entered the woods—the boat having her engine fire to work on board put off, on her way up the river—before inside his appearance on the public road, when Mr. Hutches, who keeps close by, arrested him and found on interrogating him, that his name was Scruce, and that his master's name is Sarrin, a negro trader in New Orleans. The negro also had a letter addressed to Mr. Meanice, of Vicksburg, Miss. and signed by W. W. Saffer. Notwithstanding the plausible story of the negro, together with the letter of Saffer. Mr. Hutches strongly suspected that the negro was a runaway, and had him committed to prison, as such.

The negro has since been recognised by Mr. Ross of this city, as his property, and been taken here accordingly. Saffer has also stolen two boys from a Mr. Harvy, who is now in pursuit of him. It is to be hoped that the scoundrel may yet be brought to justice, and "elevated above the crowd". He came from New Orleans, where for some time past he has been pursuing his honest calling.

It is singular," says an administration print that the democratic party should be charged with the guerrnity of the banking institutions of the country.

It is not at all singular that the party claiming to be the democratic party should be so charged, there is such a strong likeness between the state masters and locofoco leaders. A large portion of the state irredeemable paper has the president and ex-president's physiognomy impressed upon it so conspicuously as to leave no doubt as to its paternity.

We all remember," says a contemporary, "the strenuous exertions of the administration to suppress the shin-plaster system, or at least to confine its operation within as narrow limits as possible."

The government exerted itself in issuing thirty millions of shin-plasters on its own account, and went to all to monopolize the business by at confining it to as narrow limits as possible.

NEWS BY THE MAILS

A counterfeit one thousand dollar post note, of the Bank of the United States, was lately presented for payment, but the fraud was immediately detected.—The note had been remitted by one of the Kentucky banks. Bicknell's Reporter adds "It may be well to apprise our readers that this bank has no post notes in circulation bearing interest by a larger amount than $100."

A grand union performance of sacred music took place in New York a few evenings since. There were no less than *nine hundred* vocal, and *seventy* instrumental performers.

Thaddeus Stevens is a candidate before the people of Adams county, Penn., for the next which the locofoco majority in the Pennsylvania legislature recently declared unseats. We trust that his constituents will triumphantly sustain him, and pension him to the station from which he was unjustly and lawlessly ejected.

Iron Steamboat.—The N. Y. Courier and Enquirer states that a small steamboat of not more than thirty tons burthen arrived on the 27th from London, in forty-five days passage. So long a one, says that paper, was the undertaking considered on account of her diminutive size and peculiar construction, that her commander Capt. Crane, had some difficulty in finding a crew to navigate her. She worked, however, roadmirably that those who came out in her would willingly return in her. The name of the vessel is the Robert L. Stockton, and she is intended to tow on the Delaware and Raritan canal. She is built entirely of iron, is 71 feet long, while her breadth of midship is only 10 feet. In coming out she only used her canvass, her engines being kept by another vessel.

Large discovery.—The New York Star says:—"Phi Mestre, Prince, at Flushing, have in their cocoonery a million and a quarter of silk worms, now feeding. This number is sufficient to produce above 1,200 bushels of cocoons, and near 600 lbs of silk. They have also a large quantity of silk worms' eggs in their silk house, whose hatching is this retarded for the purpose of producing successive crops. The choicest kinds are the imperial white and imperial yellow, and of these and some other varieties they have a large supply for sale. These eggs were obtained from Milan, which is the centre of the most flourishing silk district, and form, no doubt, the finest collection in this country."

Fires in Cincinnati.—Three alarms of fire were given in Cincinnati on the 28th ult., One of the saw mills on the canal, was entirely destroyed. Incendiaries appear to be at work in that city.

Connecticut Asylum.—The hon. *Theodrus Bailey* (whig) has been chosen U. S. senator from Connecticut, *vice* hon. *Denis Kimberley*, resigned.

The N. Y. Journal states that the following ships of war will be assembled on the Mexican coast soon after the arrival of Mr. Slidell at Vera Cruz, and it is conjectured that one will sail out for nothing. The Constitution, 44 guns; the Macedonian, 36 guns; the Ontario, 18; the Vandalia, 18; the Levant, 18; the Erie, 18; the Warren, 18; and the Natchez 18. Total, 186 guns.

Four National panorama.—Mr. Wm. Mr. Chapman, Mr. Vanderlyn, and Mr. Inman, are said to be employed in the great national paintings, for which they are to receive $1000 each.

Mr. Wyse has selected for his subject the departure of the pilgrim from Holland, in the Mayflower. Mr. Chapman has selected the early settlement of Virginia, and will probably contain something as reference to Pocahontas. Mr. Vanderlyn has selected the landing of Columbus. Mr. Inman, thinks of painting a camping scene in the western prairies. We should not be surprised if Mr. Weir paints the last picture, and Mr. Inman the worst.

From our Special Correspondent.

New York, May 30, 1839.

It is confidently stated, and universally believed wherever it is stated, that the Seminole Indians are secretly supplied, by our agents and contractors, with the necessary munitions of war, &c., for carrying on the bloody conflict in which they are engaged. That this war is kept up by some such means, no man of ordinary intellect can entertain a doubt. There is not, in the history of the civilized world, an instance of a powerful government contending against a few miserable savage wanderers, with so little success and at such an enormous expense, as in the Seminole war. Administration jobs and salaries have amassed, disposing chiefs rentied, immense fortunes, from the public treasury. Millions upon millions have been squandered upon favorites, under the pretext of conquering this remnant of a tribe, and years have been required to accomplish an object which might have been effected in a few months, upon the principles of military science. It is determined to look to the interests of the country, and not to the aggrandizement of a band of mercenaries.

On the 17th, the American schooner Weeks, of Oswego, was boarded and dismantled by the Canadians, at Brockville. She was bound with salt provisions, to several ports on the St. Lawrence. She was seized under the pretext of having on board one piece of state ordnance, for a company of state artillery, at Ogdensburg. As soon as the seizure was known at Locke's Harbor, Col. Worth sent in the government steamer Ogdensburgh, a detachment of United States troops on board. Col. Worth proceeded to Prescott, and made peremptory demand for the release of the schooner and her cargo. The seizure had been made by the sheriff of Wellingerke was expressed to surrender the vessel and her cargo, except the 12 pounder, which was the property of the government. The sheriff refused to accede to the demand, and Col. Worth refused to accede and great preparations were made by both parties for an immediate appeal to arms. Matches were lit, and men stationed at their quarters—when at length it was arranged to re-ship the piece of ordnance, and the affair was thus terminated without bloodshed. The conduct of Col. Worth on this occasion, merits all praise. If another military candidate for the presidency should be required, why not select this gallant officer?

The money market is not pressed; but a general apprehension prevails as to the stability of the present rate of stocks. The rates have been for some time quotations, except United States bank, which is rather better, and may be quoted at 109 to 110 — Exchange on London, 9½ to 10. Half dollars worth three per cent advance. Nothing doing in the cotton market.

The steamer Robert L. Stockton, built of iron, and of thirty tons burthen, arrived this morning from London, in a passage of 45 days. She had a crew of eight men, and her passage her voyage without the aid of steam. She is intended to run on the Delaware and Raritan canal.

Arrived, this day, the ship John Baring, the brig Williata, the schooner Thomas Ewing, and schooner Cleopy, all from Mobile. THE EXAMINER.

THE SHREVEPORT RENCONTRE.

A few days since we noticed the death of a young man in Shreveport, named Summers, from a wound inflicted by one Smith, who after the perpetration of the deed surrendered himself to the justice, and after a full investigation of the affair, was discharged. The circumstances which led to this fatal affray were these: Smith and Summers had quarrelled at a ball given the 27th April, a challenge passed, but the affair was amicably arranged. Some evenings after this they met, and high words passed between them, which was quickly followed by a blow with a decanter, dealt by Smith. Summers drew a pistol, but the cap snapped, whereupon Smith beat him for a considerable time with a billiard cue.

Pasch this time Summers became so altered man.—He grew moody and vindictive, kept loaded guns in his office, and pistols about his person, sought his antagonist on every occasion, and openly declared that he would have his life. For several days prior to the fatal event, he was drinking constantly, and was in a state bordering on insanity. At last they met accidentally in the Exchange—and Smith anticipating an attack, which event had resulted in the death of one or both, drew first and shot the man who had sworn to take his life, who had lain in wait for him in the breakfast of the night, and who had every thing prepared for escape."

The preceding is an abridgment of the explanation in the Shreveport Free Press. That journal adds, that Smith's liberation was hailed by the audience with loud applause. The discharge does not exempt him from the action of the grand jury. He is still in Shreveport, and will not avoid joining issue with the state, though on that depends life or death.

[COMMERCIAL.]

CALEFACTOR—PRIVATE BATHS.

To those who are fond of bathing, and have found it inconvenient to have the bath in their house, I would recommend the Calefactor. It is quite like an old fashioned foot pot, but has a bottom of the bottom, and narrowing to 5 inches at the top it is 6 feet 3 inches high from the bottom to the top. The inside tube is about 3 inches and an inch and a quarter diameter, bent upwards. Into this tube is put a few live coals and a handful of charcoal. It is placed in a bathing tub full of water. The charcoal being ignited, and the two air tubes screwed in their places, the vessel is heated to a proper temperature in 20 or 25 minutes. This simple machine enables you to place the bathing tub at the most convenient place. I have knocked up a small shed next to my cistern, and put in a cock so that the water is led directly into the tub. The Calefactor is made of copper, somewhat heavy at the bottom to prevent it from falling. I procured it from a French coppersmith, in Jefferson street, for twelve dollars. When the water is sufficiently warm, the cage must be put on the tubes and heated, and the whole put into the bathing tub. It is extinguished. As the water works furnish plenty of water, I am convinced that if this convenient mode of heating water was known, bathing would be more generally practised in families.

A Physician.

TREASURY OF STATE.

May 28, 1839.

Information having been received at this department of the payment, by the government of Great Britain, into the hands of the bankers of the United States, at London, to the credit of the Secretary of the Treasury, of the sum of sixty two thousand six hundred and ninety-two dollars in satisfaction of claims preferred against it, in behalf of the owners, and other persons interested in the case of the brig Mary, of Baltimore, Captain Phillips, and cargo captured in 1800, by the French privateer Renommee and carried into Curacoa, and the proceeds appropriated to the use of that colony.

This is the only native, 14 all whom it may concern, that the persons interested may apply at the Treasury Department, for the purpose of entering into the necessary arrangements, to enable them to receive their respective portions of the proceeds of said claim.

ANNUAL STATEMENT

Of the Commerce and Navigation of the United States, for the year ending 30th September, 1838, prepared and reported to the Senate, pursuant to a resolution of that body, by Albert Gallatin, Secretary of the Treasury.

Total amount	128,436,666
Of which were domestic produce	113,310,716
Foreign ditto	15,125,950
Domestic Produce.	
Exported in American vessels	79,484,340
Do. in foreign vessels	10,826,376
Foreign Articles.	
Exported in American vessels	2,966,956
Do. in foreign vessels	12,159,994
Tonnage.	
Amount of shipping entered the ports of the United States during the year ending September 30,	1,760,796
Do. cleared ditto	1,761,444
Ports of entry and clearance during the same time	28,110
Ports of entry only	1,000
Ports for clearance only	1,000
Total	31,110
Tonnage employed in the coasting trade	1,000,000
Do. in the fisheries	1,000,000
Tonnage built in the United States during the year	1,000,000
Do. sold to foreigners	1,000,000
Do. lost at sea	1,000,000
Do. remaining Sept. 30, 1838	1,000,000
Registered tonnage	1,000,000
Enrolled and licensed tonnage	1,000,000
Total	1,000,000

Navigation.

Vessels built in the United States during the year ending September 30, 1838, 257, and the registers so built in that year 257—which class in the aggregate the amounts to 257 tons less by 257—which class in the aggregate the amounts to 257 tons less by only 29,000. This looks like getting out of debt. The tonnage is upon shipping which entered in 1838, is greater than in 1837 by 257,000 tons, while the decrease in the tonnage built, is only 29,000 tons. This is to a favorable indication. The general tonnage remain there, and then return in the course of the evening refreshed and invigorated by the pleasant excursion.

IMPORTANT FROM SUMATRA

Chastisement of the Malay pirates by the U. S. ship Columbia and John Adams.

The ship Arabella, at Boston, brings the important intelligence of the bombardment of the Malay towns, Qualiah Batoo and Muck Kee, by the United States frigate Columbia, and corvette John Adams, as a signal retribution for their connexion with the piracy and murders committed on board the American ship Eclipse, of Salem. The bombardment of Qualla Batoo took place on the 23d December, and that of Muck Kee on the 1st January. The latter town was wholly destroyed.

Correspondence of the Journal of Commerce.

Harbor of Singapore, February 7, 1839.

I have on occasion, to me a pleasure for a correspondent, but I postponed occasionally, to send you a letter, and feel indebted to do so in view of the pleasure your papers give me, when I am so fortunate as to receive them on our receding trade across the seas of the world. You will no doubt before this have heard what our squadron has been doing on the west coast of Sumatra, to whether we have done any thing, after you shall have received intelligence of the piratical act of the Malays in the robbery of another American vessel, and the murder of her captain and one of the crew.

The plot for the attack on the ship Eclipse, captain Wilkins, was originated at Muik Kee, some 40 miles from Qualiah Batoo; and part of the persons who committed this murder and robbery, have been arrested by the Rajahs of Muik Kee, and a great proportion of the property and money taken to that place. This, therefore, was decided the principal offending place.—We learn that the $12,000 was divided out, and some of it was received at Qualiah Batoo and Muck Kee, a place three or four miles from Qualiah Batoo, and at both of these, according to the acknowledgments of the Rajahs in the conversation held with them, some of the pirates were residing, on our arrival, on the coast.

The force sent out for these murdering bans made, and complainces being declared to be impossible, as the men had escaped after our anchorage, (which however was delayed 16 hours by calms) a decision to render their submission to comply with the demand as a percentage of a misfortune to them, rather than a declaration of their contempt, our ships were run in nearer to the shores of Qualiah Batoo, and the place commanded, with some damage to the town, or village as the forts, as they were the objects at which the shots were directed.

The ships were then got underweigh and stood for Muk Kee, the Rajahs of which place on the same day, without the expectation of the Rajahs of that place presuming any course different from the one adopted by the Rajahs of Qualiah Batto. The channel was unexplored with, and consequently, as the proper alternative to be followed in the absence of a pilot, the ships were anchored for the night