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THE SUNDAY QUESTION.

The Sunday question still continues to agitate the great cities of the North and West. Beginning in New York, where it was provoked by an ordinance compelling coffee house keepers, brewers, and vendors of spirituous liquors generally, to close their establishments on the Sabbath, it has extended in every direction, and in some instances has created issues very different from those originally contemplated. In Philadelphia, Baltimore, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Chicago the constitutionality and expediency of laws prohibiting secular pursuits on Sunday are mooted with extreme warmth, and frequently with more of temper than of reason. In the ardor of their zeal both sets of disputants are apt to overlook the real principles which underlie the question. By the advocates of repressive measures the Sabbath is considered a civil institution, and the tribunals of the country are declared invested with plenary powers to enforce its rigorous observance, and consequently to prohibit labor of all kinds, and to punish those who perform it. The opponents of Sunday laws contend that the Sabbath is exclusively a religious ordinance; that as such no one can be lawfully constrained to observe it; that the utmost limit of authority in the matter cannot properly transcend moral suasion; that if men will persist in being wicked and profligate, in violating the Sabbath, and in desecrating it by drunkenness and dissipation, the only means of practically abating the evil is to change their nature by careful training—in other words, to teach them morality and religion from their earliest youth. The law, it is maintained, has nothing to do with Sunday, inasmuch as there is no established church in the United States, and as people may select any day in the week as their Sabbath, or observe none whatever. Both parties appeal to passion and prejudice in the settlement of a topic which demands the utmost freedom from all biassing influences.

Now it is clear to the thoughtful mind that whatever may be the desire of the community, the power of the law to enforce the claims of the Sabbath is hedged in by many well defined restrictions. For instance, no one pretends that the law can require men to attend public worship, as in the days of the Puritans, or coerce them into systematic religious study, or impose a penalty on them for light reading, or for frivolous conversation on the Sabbath. The freedom of the citizen in these respects is unlimited, and the utmost which the good and the zealous can lawfully effect does not exceed such wholesome admonition and advice as are dictated for the eternal welfare of the neighbor may elicit. The law, however, is not absolutely powerless. For example, it has always proclaimed the Sabbath as a day of rest, thus protecting the laboring classes from the possible imposition or rapacity of wealth. Thus the craftsman who works by the week is legally entitled to seven days' wages for six days' toil. Sunday, therefore, is recognized as a day of unin terrupted rest, and it is in pursuance of this principle that everywhere legal processes are stayed, and contracts entered into on that day are null and void. In various cities the specific right of police is provided for the quiet and peace of the Lord's day is asserted in the passage of certain ordinances prohibiting public amusements of a sinful tendency, especially such as may be attended or followed by noise and uproar, and which may disturb the mass of the community when engaged in religious exercises. Hence throughout the North theatres are closed on the Sabbath, and places of amusement generally are kept open but six days in the week. The suppression of the liquor traffic on Sunday appears to be nothing more than a laudable effort to arrest a most demoralizing and pernicious practice, which is confirmed with tenfold force of mischief on the Sabbath, in consequence of the opportunities for idleness enjoyed by the humbler classes—and as such we think every honest and right-thinking man should applaud the movement. We may add, by the way, that since the law went into effect, the number of arrests, not only for intoxication, but for crimes of every sort committed on the Sabbath, has diminished more than one-half.

So far perhaps the advocates of Sunday laws have not transcended the bounds of prudence and propriety; but some of the issues made elsewhere are preposterous and totally calculated to inspire odium, and defeat the main object in view. To cite but a single example, what can be at once more absurd and censurable than the attempt in Philadelphia to prevent the cars on the city railroads from running on Sunday; thus to obstruct necessary and frequently indispensable travel; nay, to preclude many from attending Divine service, who live at a distance from the places of worship, and are unable to command a private vehicle? These are the inevitable inconsistencies into which fanaticism falls, whenever it meddles with moral and religious topics—and, as it is apt to be the climax of folly, it may be remarked that several of the most violent denouncers of Sunday travel on the cars and railroads as an infraction of the Divine command, are regularly conveyed to church every Sunday in their own carriages or in hired hacks.

The upshot of this heated discussion is, that Sunday laws may be enforced just in the proportion in which they are deemed requisite to prevent breaches of the peace, and palpable nuisances, and no further. Harshness and severity, forcible attempts to invade private conscience are all out of place, ill-timed, as well as illegal, and will prove entirely unproductive of benefit.

NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS.—The attention of the public is directed to the advertisement signed by HENRY BIRD, Secretary of the Board of Assessors. The rolls of assessments are now complete, and copies are deposited at room No. 15 City Hall, where they may be inspected between the hours of 9 A. M. and 3 P. M., for thirty days from the 15th inst. The Board of Assessors will meet at the same place from the 19th to the 26th September next, to review their assessments on application of persons conceiving themselves aggrieved.

LARGE RECEIPTS OF SPECIE.—The steamship Indianola, Captain Flanders, and the steamship Arizona arrived here yesterday, both from Brazos Santiago, with the following amounts of specie on freight:

Per steamship Indianola.....	$615,228 13
" " Arizona.....	229,966 76
Total.....	$845,194 89

FROM VENEZUELA.—We have accounts from Puerto Cabello, Venezuela, to the 18th ultimo. The greatest disorder prevailed throughout the republic, and assassinations, murders, and other high crimes, were of frequent occurrence, while bands of rebels and outlaws ravaged the country. The peaceable inhabitants had solicited the Government to put a stop to these outrages, to which the Government had responded by issuing pardons to criminals and offering indemnity to others still at large. Venezuela appears to be in an unmentionable a condition as Mexico.

ENGLISH NAVAL PREPARATIONS.—The English naval estimates for the current year amounted to more than sixty millions of dollars, (£12,682,065) and very nearly equal the sum total of the expenses of the American Government for the year 1856-7. About one-third of this vast sum has been already expended, and the rest is rapidly passing through the Treasury and the Admiralty Board. According to the Navy List of 1859, there are now eleven new ships of the line nearly ready for launching at the English dock yards. These are the Prince of Wales, 121 guns; the Victoria, 121; the Royal Frederic, 116; and the Duncan, 100—at Portsmouth. The Rowe, 121; the De France, 91; and the Revenge, 91—at Pembroke. The Gibraltar, 101—at Davenport. The Atlas, 91; and the Irresistible, 80—at Chatham; and the Ariadne, 80—at Woolwich.

In addition to this new fleet of 1133 guns in all, there are sixteen first class new screw steamers and nearly twenty new screw sloops and corvettes now under weigh. Several sailing vessels are also now building, among them the Aurora, of 61 guns, and the Narcissus, Immortalité and Newcastle, of 50 guns each. With all its clamors and complaints, John Bull does not mean to be caught napping, if his sea-dogs can possibly be aware of the ways of his neighbors.—*N. Y. Times.*

NEW COTTON.—The railroad train due last night arrived this morning, bringing another new bale of cotton, being the second received here this season. It is from the plantation of the estate of J. R. Cobb, of Lowndes county, Miss.; was taken on the cars at Montezuma, and is consigned to Messrs. Hamilton & Young.

The bale received yesterday classes heavily low middling, of short staple and cut in the ginning, and is a little stained. It has not yet been sold.—*Mobile Advertiser*, 12th inst.

The New York correspondent of the Cleveland *Leader* says:

I was told a few evenings since that Mr. A. T. Stewart, the merchant prince of New York, intends to build a large House for Widows and Indigent Women, and endow it most liberally; and that if one million of dollars are not enough, he has two millions. Mr. Stewart says it is to the women he is indebted for his fortune, and now in return he will use it to benefit them, without regard to sect or creed.

By Telegraph.

[TRANSMITTED TO THE NEW ORLEANS BEE.]

Arrival of the Overland Mail.

TWO DAYS LATER FROM CALIFORNIA.

Elections in Oregon and Washington Territories.

MEMPHIS, August 15.—The overland California mail has arrived here, bringing advices from San Francisco to the 23d ultimo, two days later than those received by the steamer Habana at New Orleans.

Incomplete returns of the elections in Oregon and Washington Territories have been received at San Francisco, but it is considered certain that Lansing S. Stout, the Democratic candidate for Delegate to Congress for Oregon, has been elected, and Governor Stevens has been elected Delegate to Congress from Washington Territory.

Business at San Francisco was dull.

There was nothing of importance to report from the mines.

THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD.

MEMPHIS, August 13.—Dr. Fowlkes, the President of the Pacific Railroad Company, left this city for Marshall, Texas, for the purpose of meeting the terms proposed for the withdrawal of the State suit, and freeing the company from debt.

TELEGRAPHIC.

FURTHER NEWS FROM EUROPE.

THE NORTH AMERICAN OFF FASTNET POINT—AMERICAN SHIPS LOST AT SEA.—Fastnet Point, Canada, August 13.—The steamship North American, of the Liverpool and Quebec line, passed off this point this evening, and was boarded by the news boat of the Associated Press.

The steamer left Liverpool on Wednesday, the 3d inst., and her advices have partly been anticipated by the City of Baltimore, off Cape Race.

The North American brings intelligence of the following remarkable list of casualties to American shipping:

The ship Glouce, from New York, bound for Bremen, caught fire at sea and was run ashore near Bremerhaven, where she burned to the water's edge. No lives were lost.

The ship Abby Blanchard, loading for New Orleans at Bordeaux, caught fire on the 29th ultimo, and the ship and cargo were considerably damaged before the flames could be extinguished.

The amount of damage had not been ascertained.

LATER FROM MEXICO.—Passe a Loutre, August 13.—The schooner Union has arrived at this point, with advices from Tampico to the 31st inst.

The Captain reports that everything was quiet in the neighborhood of Tampico, both parties having suspended hostilities for want of means to support their soldiers.

General Miramon was at the city of Mexico at last accounts.

There were no New Orleans vessels in the port of Tampico when the Union sailed.

SAILING OF STEAMSHIPS.—New York, August 13.—The steamship Singerman sailed for Liverpool to-day, taking out $89 000 in specie on freight. The Vanderbilt steamship Ocean Queen also sailed to-day for Southampton and Havre, and took $1,400,000 in specie on freight.

MARINE DISASTERS.—Passe a Loutre, Aug. 13.—The ship Helios, which sailed from New Orleans a few days since, returned to the mouth of the river to-day, having sprung a leak when off Tortugas.

The ship Vancouver, from New York, has been wrecked at sea near Shanghai. The ship and cargo are a total loss. The crew escaped in boats, and were all saved.

The ship Servanville, (?) from Boston, bound for Hong Kong, put into Mauritius on the 26th of June in a leaky condition.

The ship Robert, (as reported—but supposed to be the ship Robert M. Sloan) from Gattenburg, bound to Boston, sprung a leak 15 sea miles from ashore near Southland (?) on the 25th of July.

The ship Alexander Wise, from Marseilles for New York, stranded at sea off Point Carnero, near Gibraltar, and, with her cargo, is a total loss.

THE PERUGIA AFFAIR.—New York, August 13.—The compensation obtained from the Papal Government by the American Minister at Rome, for damages sustained by the Perkins party during the sacking of Perugia, was $200, instead of £400, as represented in the report of this morning.

THE RECENT INDIANS.—Washington, August 13.—The Interior Department has received information that the difficulties with the Brazos Reserve Indians have been settled. The Creek and the Cherokee Indians are also at peace again.

SOUTHERN RAILROAD CONVENTION.—Washington, August 13.—The Convention of the managers of the various railroads of the Southwestern mail route to New Orleans has concluded its agreements with the Post Office Department to run two daily trains in all the roads between New York and New Orleans, via the Memphis, Charleston and Mississippi Central route, and the mails are to be continued by this route.

The new arrangement is to go into operation on the 1st of the present month.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT LAWRENCE (MASS.)—BOSTON, August 13.—A fire occurred this morning at Lawrence, in this State, which destroyed the United States Hotel, the Central Congregational Church, and the new Court House.

The loss is estimated at $150,000.

ANOTHER DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.—New York, August 13.—Advices from Barbadoes report the loss by fire of the extensive sugar factory, machinery and other valuable property of Mr. Nightingale. His loss is estimated at $200,000, none of which is covered by insurance.

VOLUNTEERING IN THE BRITISH PROVINCES.—St. Johns, (N. B.) August 13.—The military spirit in the British Provinces is running mad. Volunteer rifle companies are rapidly being formed throughout Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

Accounts from all parts of the Provinces indicate that the potato rot prevails to a great extent, and the crop will probably be very short.

THE CENTRAL AMERICAN MISSION.—Washington, August 13.—The mission to Central America has been tendered by the President to Calob Cushing, who declines the honor.

FIRE AT WESTBORO (MASS.)—Boston, August 13.—The State Reform School building, at Westboro, in this State, was destroyed by fire last night. No lives were lost.

TEXAS ITEMS.

Sam Houston's election by a large majority is certain. The Houston *Telegraph* foots up the returns as follows:

Runnels.....	16,530
Houston.....	12,960—3435 majority.
Lubbock.....	10,890—275 majority.
Clark.....	10,317
White.....	15,907—2260 majority.
Crosby.....	13,547
Ward.....	10,722
Hamilton.....	11,394—1072 majority.
Reagan.....	2,788—5,618 majority.
Gubbitree.....	2,172

The *Telegraph* adds:

It will be observed that we have now returns from about forty thousand votes, or two-thirds the whole vote of the State. From the returns we have we are still of the opinion that Houston's majority will be about eight thousand. We think that Lubbock is elected, and have consequently repaired our artillery, which got knocked badly down in the race on the 1st, and intend to load it up and fire it off, if we elect Lubbock, as we shall still be in the majority, with three fifths of our ticket elected.

The Galveston *News* of the 11th has the following:

On Tuesday evening our city was lighted with gas for the first time. Owing to the foul air in the pipes it has not yet burned very well, though doubtless that will be fully corrected by the time of our writing to-day.

The San Antonio *Ledger* states that Mr. Perry, of Blanco county, has been empowered by the Governor to raise a company (probably 100 men) to protect the lives and property of the people of the counties of Blanco, Bandera, Kerr and Gillespie from the incursions of Indians, who have recently committed many depredations in those counties.

We regret to learn that a difficulty occurred at the Tremont House, about half-past 12 to-day, between Mr. Ayres, of the Tremont, and Mr. C. Cluts. Pistols were drawn and fired, and Mr. Ayres received two shots from Mr. Cluts, one ball passing through his cheek, and another through his shoulder. Mr. Hollis, who happened to be present, was accidentally shot through his arm. The wound is not thought to be dangerous. The wounds of Mr. Ayres are considered serious.

RESERVE INDIANS.—We learn from the *State Gazette* of the 6th that a collision has taken place between a portion of the command of Captain Browne and the Comanches of the Reserve. The latter were found in the country outside the Reserve, and treated as hostile Indians. In a fight with them there was one Indian killed on the spot, and three mortally wounded. The loss to our men was principally in horses, seven wounded in the hip, and private Terry in the leg—neither, it is believed, mortally.

TEXAS RAILROADS.—We clip the following from the *Telegraph* of Friday last:

We have the extreme pleasure of announcing that the Central Railroad is now completed to the seventy-fifth mile, and through the energy of Mr. Richardson, who deserves great credit, it was done in time to save the land bonus and loan. The work beyond still progresses.

The *Texas True Issue* says:

We regret to be under the necessity of recording the fact that two of our fellow-citizens were shot down on Monday last, one killed outright, and the other dangerously, perhaps mortally wounded.

Both formerly had some serious difficulty with Mr. Rhem, which, however, resulted in nothing disastrous. On Monday they met at the Plum Grove Precinct, whereupon, after an exchange of hot words, Alston shot Dr. Rhem through the body, and then shot a man by the name of Strobber, who, we understand, lived with Rhem. The former lived but a few minutes after receiving the shot. The latter is still living, though his recovery is still uncertain. Alston, after doing his work of death, rode off in the direction of his home, and we learn there was no attempt or effort to arrest him. This is one more bloody spot on the already badly stained fame of Texas. And, we may expect, just when he is pardoned, until the country and juries of the country shall possess sufficient nerve to execute the laws of the country. Too low an estimate cannot be placed upon human life, and members should have been elevated in the scale of crime to the grade of horse-stealing in Texas, we may expect to read of fewer homicides.

EUROPE.

DETAILS BY THE HAMMONIA.

The Peace at Villafranca—Preliminaries to be Signed by the Two Emperors.

NEW YORK, August 9.—All the Paris papers of the 26th July, received by the Hammonia at this port, contain the text of the preliminaries of peace agreed upon and signed at Villafranca between the Emperors Napoleon and Francis Joseph. It has been agreed as follows:

The two sovereigns will favor the creation of an Italian Confederation.

That Confederation shall be under the honorary Presidency of the Holy Father.

The Emperor of Austria cedes to the Emperor of the French his rights in Lombardy, with the exception of the fortresses of Mantua and Peschiera, so that the frontier of the Austrian possessions should start from the extreme range of the frontiers of Peschiera, and should extend in a direct line along the Mincio as far as Graxy; from thence to Scorzalo and Mutasone to the Po; from whence the actual frontiers shall continue to form the limits of Austria.

The Emperor Francis Joseph will hand over the ceded territory to the King of Sardinia. Venetia shall form part of the Italian Confederation, although remaining under the crown of the Emperor of Austria. The Grand Dukes of Tuscany and of Modena shall return to their States, granting a general amnesty. The two Emperors will ask the Holy Father to introduce indispensable reforms into his States. A full and complete amnesty is granted on both sides to persons compromised in the late events in the territories of the belligerent parties.

Done at Villafranca, the 11th of July, 1859.

The Proposed Italian Confederacy.

The second edition of the London *Times*, of July the 26th, contains the following letter from its Paris correspondent, giving the outline of Count Walewski's project for the Confederation of Italian States:

PARIS, July 25.—The question of Italian Confederation, for which the Congress is to have already occupied the serious attention of the French, and doubtless of the Sardinian Cabinets.

Notwithstanding the well known liking the King has to the Confederation, in the present condition of Italy, or even in the situation created for it by the treaty of Villafranca, the French Government on this point, as well as on several others, by no means agrees with his Sardinian Majesty. M. Walewski, we are told, has set his wits to work, and has drawn up a draft of a plan of Confederation, and submitted unofficially or confidentially to the Cabinets interested. In it Walewski evidently takes for granted the restoration of Modena and Tuscany, and the establishment of the Duchess of Parma somewhere.

Walewski's Confederation consists of seven States. By the Valtelline remains the nominal or temporary Presidency was given to the Pope; that high office will be filled in reality by the Kings of Sardinia and Naples, each of them about. As such they cannot exist without means of defense, a Federal army will be created for the defense of Federal territory, the contingents to be fixed according to the extent of the States respectively.

The strong places, which will be garrisoned by the Federal troops, are partly Neapolitan and partly Federal, Alessandria partly Austrian and partly Federal, and Piacenza, half Federal and the remaining half Piedmontese. Walewski, it is to be hoped, will disclose the talisman by which he means to keep such discordant elements as Parmesans and Swiss, Tuscans and Neapolitans, the soldiers of the Pope, the Sardinians and Croats in complete harmony. The Federal Council it is proposed to organize thus: Parma and Modena are to have two votes each, the Pope two, Tuscany two, Austria for Venetia two, and Piedmont and Naples three. Whether more concord will prevail in the Federal Council than in the Federal garrisons is difficult to say; but supposing the same conditions to subsist, Austria could count on a majority of votes. Walewski claims no monopoly in the fabrication of the Confederation; for, according to all accounts, Cardinal Antonelli has also studied the question in his own way. The French Minister is said to enter more into details than the Cardinal. The latter claims not merely the honorary, but the real and *bona fide* Presidency for His Holiness. He has no objection to the Federal army's not so much to garrison forts and strong places as to defend the territory against foreign and domestic enemies. Who the domestic enemies are in this question I do not know, in contradiction to the principle of non intervention said to form one of the conditions of the treaty of Villafranca. Piedmont would not, perhaps, absolutely reject the notion of confederation, but I doubt that she approves of either Walewski's plan, or that of Cardinal Antonelli; while Austria would probably make no great opposition to either. Should Piedmont accept a Confederation she would not have Austria forming a part of it; moreover she desires that a liberal government should prevail in the States, as well as in Piedmont, for the better consolidation of the independence and liberty of the whole of the Italian people.

The Peace in Sardinia.

ADDRESS TO THE KING OF SARDINIA BY HIS SUBJECTS.

The following address to Victor Emmanuel is circulated throughout the kingdom, and has already received numerous signatures:

"SIRE: The deep sense of disappointment, the profound consternation which was produced throughout the country by the unforeseen announcement of a peace so different from what it had a right to expect, has been somewhat mitigated by the universal conviction that that peace was not your work, and that the sage of the First Soldier of Italian Independence still remains pure, glorious and uncontaminated.

"The national question is not solved; it has lost none of its importance; it has entered a new phase, replete with the greatest difficulty and supreme danger. But that King and that people who have been able to hold their own in a ten years' struggle, and who have everywhere known how to conquer, where deceit and fate were powerless against valor, will also be able to surround the obstacles which the future has in store. A stroke of the pen cannot annul the dictates of twenty-six millions of hearts.

"But if the nation is ready, if all the living strength of the country is prepared for the heaviest sacrifices, it is necessary that they should not be deprived of that wise and powerful direction which your Majesty and your Ministry have hitherto given to popular enthusiasm.

"All can understand, O Sire, what must be your sufferings. Italy, whose cry of anguish reached your heart, now understands the irresistible eloquence of your silence.

"May you be blessed! May all be blessed who fought by your side for the holiest of causes! If Italy weeps now, her independence and her liberty are worthy the shedding of blood as well as tears.

"So long as you, Sire, shall be the champion of Italian regeneration, short will be our despondency, and, relying on herself alone, the country will feel equal to achieve a happier fate."

PROCLAMATION TO THE TUSCANS.

Much excitement having been caused by the conclusion of peace, the following proclamation was issued by the Provisional Ministry recently appointed by the King of Sardinia:

"TUSCANS—The news of events which interrupt the most brilliant hopes causes a general and profound grief. The Government shares your sensibility. We must not, however, give way to discouragement, and must be content to wait for more ample details. Under present circumstances, our task is to unite more closely than ever to show our firmness, and to prove that we are worthy to be citizens of a free and independent country. As long as we remain thus our hopes will not be lost. Citizens are deputed by us are about to proceed to Turin to learn what is the real state of things. Meanwhile remember that any extreme manifestation by the party of action will only aggravate the perils of the situation. Let us all join in maintaining order, which now more than ever is necessary for the salvation of our country. Tuscans will be shortly present. Jointly with it the Government will make the voice of Tuscany heard by Victor Emmanuel, in whom it has the fullest confidence. Tuscans will not, in spite of its will or of its rights, be replaced under either the yoke or the influence of Austria.

"Florence, the Commissionary Extraordinary of King Victor Emmanuel,

"C. BOUNCOMPAGNI.

"B. RICASOLI, Minister of Interior.
"C. BINDOCCI, Public Instruction.
"E. POGGI, Justice.
"B. BUBACCA, Finances.
"V. SALVAGNOLI, Worship.
"P. C. CAMPELLO, War.
"CELESTINO BIANCHI, Sec. General."

These simple and heartfelt words, which were thoroughly understood by the population, contributed to calm men's minds.

LATER FROM HAYTI.—*A Dictatorship Proposed.*—By an arrival at New York from Port au Prince we are placed in possession of our Hayti files to July 23.

The feature of the news is the proposed change of the Presidency to a Dictatorship. The Chambers had appointed a committee, who waited on President Geffrard, and presented a request to assume the title and functions of Hayti, arguing that by the absolute authority thus accruing to him he could proceed better to his great work of the social reorganization of the country. President Geffrard had declined the honor.

TERRIBLE INDIAN ENGAGEMENT.—*The Omahas Attacked by the Sioux—Twenty-two Killed, Seventeen Wounded and Two Taken Prisoners.* From our friend J. Jarrit Wilcox, clerk of the steamer Omaha, just down from St. Joseph, we learn that a bloody and sanguinary battle came off about one hundred miles out in the interior of Nebraska from Decatur, between the Omahas and Brule Sioux Indians, on the 23d ultimo.

A band of fifty Omahas, men, women and children, were encamped from a hunting excursion, and were just down from Elkhorn, in exchange of fat buffalo meat, when they were suddenly attacked in the night by a large band of the Brule Sioux. The Omahas had seventeen warriors, seventeen women and two prisoners taken, and encamped in a ravine on the prairie, five miles of their enemies.

The Sioux arrived at their reserve some days later, bringing the dead and wounded. Wilcox states that the Omahas, after the battle, sent to the Sioux Agency for assistance, but the Sioux neither agreed to it, or even sent a dead Indian with a flag of truce to bury their dead. The Omahas, therefore, buried their own dead, and brought their wounded to Decatur.

Wilcox states that the Omahas have been driven from their reserve, and are now living on the Missouri river, below Decatur, and are in a very destitute condition.

Mr. Calhoun in favor of Non-Intervention.

Mr. Calhoun was the advocate of the precise policy of Congressional non-intervention, which constituted the platform of the Democratic party in the last Presidential election, and is now substantially adopted by Douglas. This is clearly shown by the following extract from his speech in the Senate in July, 1848, upon the bill to organize the Territory of Oregon:

"There is a very striking difference between the position on which the slaveholding and non-slaveholding States stand in reference to the subject they propose to legislate on (the exclusion of slavery in Oregon.) The former desire no action of the Government; to demand no law to give them any advantage in the Territory about to be established; we, on the contrary, ask for protection in this respect. If a person can expatriate himself from a foreign government, and swear allegiance to this, and still owe any thing to the foreign power, in the singular relation of subject and emancipator, or at once relieved by Holloway's Pills: sold by the dealers. Less, N. Y.

☞ Look out for imitations of Lea & Perrins' Worcestershire Sauce. See advertisement of John Duncan & Sons.

MARRIED—Last evening, by the Rev. Mr. Hamer, Mr. JOHN MCCARTHY to Miss MARY ANN, daughter of Mr. Thomas Kelly, all of this city.

DIED—On Saturday morning, August 13, at 5 o'clock, after a long and painful illness, Mr. JOHN DUFFY, native of the parish of Kilmore, county Cavan, Ireland, aged 45 years. His friends and acquaintances are invited to attend his funeral from his late residence, No. 19 Bienville street, this day, at 4 o'clock P. M.

On Saturday, August 13, at 5 o'clock P. M., Mrs. ANN MARIA, wife of Mr. Thomas Hall, native of Ireland, aged 45 years. Her friends and acquaintances are invited to attend her funeral from her