

HIGHLAND MESSENGER. ASHEVILLE, N. C.

Thursday, September 9, 1847. For President ZACHARY TAYLOR, OF LOUISIANA.

Reader, we are a very modest man, but really whenever we look at the paper we are now using for the Messenger, we blush!

Not a word from Gen. Scott, since our last paper.

DEATH OF SILAS WRIGHT. The Hon. Silas Wright, died at Canton, N. Y., on the 27th ultimo, of an apoplectic fit.

MORE TROOPS. Really, we know not what to think with reference to the course of the Government in the management of the war.

THE ANNEXATION OF CUBA. The New York Sun has Havana dated to the 15th ult. It says:—The excitement in regard to the annexation of Cuba was still increasing, and was spreading over the island.

DEATH OF LOUIS D. WILSON. This gallant son of North Carolina, died at Vera Cruz on the 12th of last month, of Yellow Fever.

Ask a Locooco the news from the elections, if you want to see a steeple looking specimen of humanity.

We learn that Professor Deems, of the North Carolina University, has resigned his post in consequence of an appointment to the Chair of Natural Science, at Randolph Macon College, Va.

Efforts are now being made to obtain a subscription with a view to establish at Washington, a paper which shall reflect the public sentiment of the South on the abolition and Wilnot proviso question.

Effects of the Tariff of 1846.—The Boston Iron Company have closed a contract for 50,000 tons of Nova Scotia Coal, to be delivered this fall and winter.

THE HOME JOURNAL. This elegant weekly continues to make its regular visits to our sanctum, thanks to the kindness of its Proprietors, Morris & Willis.

No Candidate.—It is stated in the Clay county Tribune, that Col. Doniphan, in his late speech at Independence, declared that he had not been a candidate for a political office in seven years, and would not be for the next seventy years.

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

The following letter we take from the S. C. Temperance Advocate. It was written, as will be seen, at the Sulphur Springs, 4 1/2 miles west of this place, and is a graphic description of the grand scenery surrounding that charming watering place.

SULPHUR SPRINGS, N. C., August 21, 1847.

The company here is very agreeable.—We eat, drink, (water) talk, ride, walk, and sleep. This is about a fair history of each day.

This is emphatically a mountain country. As far as the eye can reach is mountain on mountain piled! Before us, a little north of east, towers the Black Mountain, the highest in the U. States.

Near this place is Mount Yendon. Col. Deaver asserts that it is 1250 feet above the valley. A large party, including many ladies, ascended it the day before yesterday.

The Hon. George Lippard, the writer of a peculiar style, is delivering lectures to Philadelphia, on the war with Mexico.

The notorious Maria Monk is now an inmate of the New York State prison, under a conviction of grand larceny.

A GOOD OLD WHIG.

A correspondent of the Knoxville (Tennessee) Register, writing from Sullivan county says: On Thursday last, John Van Hooker, of this county, who is one hundred and fourteen years old, went one and a half miles to the place of holding the election, and voted the full Whig ticket.

No more Territory.—The Richmond Whig concludes an earnest article upon the subject of the Wilcox Provision, and the danger it threatens to the stability of the Union, with this admission:

It is for every lover of the Union—for every friend of his country—for every true born American, to resist the introduction of more territory into the Union. Let him make up his mind to stand by the Union, and to submit to receive no gift which will bring its continuance into danger.

The scarlet fever and measles prevail with an almost unprecedented mortality among the children of Madison city, Indiana.

In Mexico, marriages are celebrated with considerable pomp. The fee to the priest of the lowest class is not less than 22 dollars.

The Governor and Council of New Hampshire have appointed Thursday, November 26th, as the day for annual Thanksgiving in that State.

GIFT FROM MR. CLAY. Mr. Stephenson, of the Cincinnati Atlas, has presented to Capt. Carter, of Covington, in behalf of Henry Clay, a gold ring, set with a precious stone, and enclosing a braid of the hair of his lamented son, the late Lieutenant Colonel Henry Clay, Jr., as a memorial of gratitude for the generous office Capt. C. rendered him in his last moments on the bloody field of Buena Vista.

IOWA LEGISLATURE. No change in the Iowa Legislature by the recent election, so says the N. York Journal of Commerce. The three vacancies were filled by the election of one Whig and two Democrats, as before.—Thus again it is doubtful which party have the U. States Senators.

The storekeepers down east, are adopting the Baby Jumper, as necessary appendages to their stores, for the accommodation of those ladies who go shopping with their babies in their arms.

It is estimated that the amount of specie in the New York and Boston Subtreasuries is not less than \$5,000,000.

The potato rot has made its appearance in Westchester county, New York. It is said also to be somewhat prevalent on Long Island.

Freeman, the negro who murdered the Van Ness family, at Auburn, N. Y., died in the jail at that village on Saturday week, a perfect idiot.

A splendid sword and epaulettes were presented to Lieut. Hunter, the hero of Alvarado, a few days since by the citizens of New York.

The Whigs of Philadelphia tendered to Mr. Clay a public dinner, which he declined, remarking that "it would be entirely incompatible with the state of his feelings, and the private motives which on this occasion brought him from home, to accept the compliment of a public dinner."

The Democrats of Philadelphia have nominated J. A. Phillips, Esq., as a candidate for the Mayoralty.

Twenty bales new Texas Cotton arrived in New Orleans on the 23d inst., on the steamship Yatch, from the Brazos.

The common fluency of speech in many men and women, is owing to a scarcity of matter and a scarcity of words; for whoever is a master of language and hath a mind full of ideas, will be apt, in speaking, to hesitate upon the choice of both.

No License.—The inhabitants of Hopkinsville, Ky., have unanimously voted against license, for the sale of intoxicating drinks.

The Hon. Thomas Butler, of Louisiana, aged 64, died on board the Steamer Old Hickory, on its way up the Mississippi, about the 16th or 17th ult.

FROM THE NEW-SPRINGS NATIONAL GAZETTE.

Every hour develops clearly the future with regard to General Taylor's position, as a candidate for the Presidency, while the politicians are more clearly showing their weakness at the same time.

That man must be a complete booby who prides himself on his father's bravery, care or wealth. His course shows that the race has sadly degenerated.

The Telegraph.—We learn from the Temperance Advocate, that the poets are all up and arranged for the reception of the wires from Raleigh, N. C., to beyond Columbia, S. C.

The deaths by Yellow Fever in New Orleans during the 24 hours, ending on the morning of the 12th inst., were 40.

Hendersonville, N. C., Sept. 1, 1847.

The Henderson County Temperance Society, met at Hendersonville, on Wednesday, the 1st of September, Rev. James Blythe, presiding.

An invitation being previously extended to Judge O'Neal, of S. C., to address the Society on Temperance, on motion of E. King, he arose, and in a pleasing and forcible style, he spoke an hour and a half.

We have not the least hesitation in saying, that he fully met the high expectations which were formed of him, and the 1st of September, 1847, will form one of the darkest records in the chronicle of Prince Alcohol.

Other gentlemen were invited to speak, but declined.

On motion of Elisha King, the thanks of the Society were unanimously tendered to Judge O'Neal, for his able efforts in the Temperance cause.

Resolved, That the Secretary make out a transcript of the proceedings of the meeting, and forward them to the Editor of the Highland Messenger, with a request for the publication of the same.

On motion, Resolved, That the Society adjourn to meet at Hendersonville on the 22d of February.

JAMES BLYTHE, PRES. HARVEY JOHNSON, R. S. pro tem.

PRIDE.

Of the innumerable passions which take captive the human heart, none are so disgustingly foolish as vanity or pride. A proud man! What a sight! and one no doubt which astonishes beings of a higher order, who inhabit the bright abode of the Great Creator above.

Probably no two PASSES are so famous in our history as those given by Arnold to Andre, and Polk to Santa Anna.

ARNOLD'S PASS TO ANDRE. Head-Quarters, Robinson's House, Sept. 22d, 1790.

Permit Mr. John Anderson to pass the Guards to the White Plains, or below if he Chooses, He being on Public Business by my Direction.

B. ARNOLD, M. Genl. "A Whig lie!" exclaimed the Tories of the Revolution. Luckily, however, the original pass of which the above is published as a copy, was preserved, and is still in existence.

POLK'S PASS TO SANTA ANNA. The Commander of the Naval Forces in the Gulf is hereby directed not to obstruct the passage of Santa Anna and Suite to Mexico, should he desire to return thither.

JAMES K. POLK, President. My 15, 1846. "A Whig lie!" thunder some of the parasites of the Executive. It happens that President Polk, in his Message of 7th Dec. 1845, admits that he gave permission to Santa Anna to return. Polk's friends have been challenged in vain to prove that the above is not the true copy of the original pass.

The following stanza contains advice which story tellers of all ages may well treasure up and follow: "When thou dost tell another's jests, therein omit the oaths, which true, wit cannot need; Pick out of tales the mirth, but not the sin; He preaches apple that will cleanly feed."

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Great Whig Meeting in Pennsylvania.

The Whigs of Berks county assembled in mass meeting at Reading on the 3d inst., for the purpose of adopting measures preparatory to a vigorous prosecution of the campaign.

The meeting was ably addressed by James Everhart, Esq., of Robeson. The address of Messrs. Richards, Seibert and Hoffman, breathed the true spirit, and were listened to with eager attention.

Resolved, That HENRY CLAY, of Kentucky, the greatest man living, by forty years spent in the service of his country, by his eloquent advocacy of all the great measures calculated to advance the interests of the people, but especially by his patriotic and consistent course in favor of protection to American industry, has, deserved, and obtained the gratitude of the citizens of the United States.

Resolved, That in Gen. ZACHARY TAYLOR, we find a man who by services rendered to his country in three wars, and in many battles, has won for himself an imperishable renown, and conferred obligations upon his fellow-citizens which cannot be repaid; that in him great military knowledge is combined with the talents requisite to constitute a prudent and successful statesman; that his abilities, integrity, and unshaken character fit him for any post; and we hereby recommend him as the Whig candidate for the Presidency.

Resolved, That the thanks of the American people are due to Major General WINFIELD SCOTT, to whose military skill and conduct, the people of the United States attribute the success of our arms at Vera Cruz and Cerro Gordo, and who although subjected to the vexations and malignant attacks of a corrupt executive, persisted in his endeavors to advance the interests of the country; that his victories are worthy of the hero of Lordly Lane and Chippewa, who, even in his youth gained for himself the name of one of the best military leaders of the day.

Further Decline in Breadstuffs.—Cotton Firm and Looking Up.—The Harvest Abundant.—The English steamer Gun dequiver, Captain Hoskins, which sailed from Liverpool, on the 15th inst., arrived in New York on the 20th. She brings in days later intelligence than received by the Cambria.

At Liverpool, best Western Canal Flour quoted at 26/27s. per barrel, a decline of 2s. 9d. since the last advices.

Baltimore and Philadelphia Flour was raised 1/2 cent, is quoted at 24/25s. per barrel, and saw at 21/22s., a decline of about 2s. per barrel.

What has declined about 3d. per 70lbs. and Corn 2s. per quarter.

Cotton is firm, and in some instances shows a slight advance.

The harvest promises well, and the crops in many counties have been secured.

The extent of the destitution in Ireland is greatly reduced, and want and suffering nearly at an end.

The day of comparing the polls here on the 12th, was a great day for the Whig. It was celebrated in admirable style. About six hundred partook of a capital dinner. The occasion was a very pleasant one. Whigs and Democrats—for the latter were publicly invited to attend, and many did attend—met in peace and harmony at the social board. Not a single quarrel occurred to mar the scene. Joy and pleasure reigned supreme.—Washington, N. C. Whig.

New York, August 24.—8. p. M. Another Fire in New York.—Loss Five Thousand Dollars.—I regret to have to inform you, that another fire, occasioning large loss, though confined to but one establishment, occurred here this morning. It broke out about 10 o'clock, destroying the Novelty Iron Works, No. 27, Twelfth street, belonging to Messrs. Seaman, Allen, & Co. The loss is not less than forty thousand dollars. F.

An Innocent Man Hanged.—The Albany Evening Journal says that a young printer, named Boyington, who served his time in the office of the New Haven Palladium, was hung a few years since, in Alabama, upon a charge of being murdered a companion, with whom he was traveling. He protested his innocence to the last; but without avail. Recently, the landlady in whose house the murder was committed confessed the crime on his death bed. Boyington was a young man of fine talents and prepossessing appearance, whose guilt was deemed conclusive only from the fact that he was the last person seen with the murdered man.

Medicine for Hogs.—The American Farmer furnishes the following: "If your hogs get sick, you know not of what give them ears of corn, first dipped in and then rolled in sulphur. It is one of those that it arrests the disease and restores the pigs to perfect health."

The women in the song says of her lover: "His very step has music in it." "As he comes up the stairs," "It is very probable that his boots squeaked."