

AMERICANISM.

Every nation on the face of the globe, says the New Orleans Croaker, has its clear, unmistakable and distinctive national characteristics. These national characteristics stand out so prominently, as to constitute each nation a great individuality.

It is to the interest, glory, and prosperity of each to cultivate a national sentiment, a national literature, a national costume; in fine, to nourish all these feelings which underlie a laudable local pride, and protect all attempts which have for their object the advancement of one's country.

The recent Regina war strongly illustrates this proposition. The Anglo-French alliance was unnatural, but when the British and the Gaul wheeled into an alliance with Turkey it was more unnatural still.

LETTER FROM HON. THOS. L. CLINGMAN.

From the Wilmington Journal. GENTLEMEN:—When I was last in your town I stated to you and your friends that though I might not be able to describe in detail the details of your country, I would certainly endeavor to do so after that event, provided I should carry a majority of the votes.

Our ancestors had greater difficulties to encounter than we are now compelled to meet. The Southern States have a population ten times as great as all the colonies then had.

Our forefathers made that revolution to maintain their equality as men, and communities likewise. They retained the payment of a poll tax, because its imposition was an assertion of the right of the British government to rule them.

It was decided by the Parliament that James the Second, by violating the Constitution, had abdicated the government and left the throne vacant. So those States who refuse to obey the Constitution, are to be held as having gone out of the Union.

Very truly, yours, T. L. CLINGMAN. To Messrs. Wm. Fuller, R. P. Waring, David Parks, and others, Charlotte, N. C.

The Northern States voted against Mr. Fillmore because he was true to the Union.

Mr. Buchanan, not because they were opposed to his abolition schemes, and voted upon the ground, to express his utter condemnation of their sectional and dangerous policy.

As the South, there were many who cast their votes for Mr. Buchanan, not because they were identified with him in principle, but because they feared the election of Fremont.

We still entertain the belief that if all who professed Millard Fillmore for President had voted for him, he would have been triumphant.

Major Benjamin Perley Poore, the late Fillmore candidate for Congress in the Sixth District, arrived in the city this afternoon with his wheelbarrow and barrel of apples, which he had wheeled all the way from Newburyport, a distance of thirty-six miles, in two and a half days.

Four years ago, in a pathetic and philosophical article upon the defeat of Gen. Scott, we had occasion to make use of those beautiful and consoling lines of Milton (from his "Lamented Pleasures of Memory")

LATER FROM EUROPE.

New York, Nov. 10.—The steamship Baltic, with Liverpool dates to the 29th October, arrived here today.

The assurance in the news which reaches the most accurate in the official paragraphs in the Paris Monitor, complaining that the English press publishes calumnies against the French government, and holding out the menace that a continuance of such conduct will result in the Anglo-French alliance.

The entire Turkish Ministry have resigned. The event is attributed to the intrigues of Lord Rochford to bring in Redicid Pacha as Vizier.

THE SOURCES OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER. Lift a bucket of water from the Mississippi river at New Orleans, and ask yourself the question, "From whence it came?"

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FAYETTEVILLE. NOVEMBER 14, 1856.

THE FISCALS. So much of our time has been devoted to the late election, and to the wants of a sick family that our pecuniary interests have been much neglected.

THE SUPERIOR COURT. The Superior Court of Law and Equity for the counties of Cumberland and Harnett has been in Session during the present week.

THE SYNOD. The SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA commenced its Session at the Presbyterian Church in this town on Wednesday evening last.

STIRRING TIMES. We have stirring times here this week. The Synod, the Superior Court of Law and Equity, the General Master, and other excitements too tedious to mention, are keeping our population awake throughout the entire week.

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SENTENCE OF DEATH. The Superior Court was in session in this county last week. Judge Dick presiding. Sentence of Death was passed upon Jacob Johnson from Harnett for killing Jacob Stuart.

DEMOCRATIC TURNOUT.

The "Democracy" at Fayetteville held a great turnout on Thursday night. At the earnest solicitation of a friend we remained "down town" to look at the concern—though it had been our intention to go "up the Hill" before it came off.

At an early hour the crowd assembled in front of the Fayetteville Hotel. Aided by music and the display of transparencies, the party evidently decided that it was putting its best leg foremost; and the leaders seemed to be greatly pleased with the progress.

The procession moved up street. We had enough of it, and did not follow. They had one large transparency that looked very well; but, as for the balance, they were beneath contempt.

MISCHIEF AHEAD. The Wilmington Commercial thinks that the Black Republicans will be very apt to perpetrate a good deal of mischief during the approaching session of Congress; but that Mr. Buchanan will find a pension for all their naughty deeds in an extra session.

BRUTAL BEHAVIOR. If anything were wanting to show the absence of all magnanimity in the spoils party, the evidence would be found in the bitterness with which they exult over the prostration of the National Americans, knocked down, run over, and trampled upon in the late election.

THE STANDARD IN ECSTASIES. The Raleigh Standard is crazy with delight at the prolongation of its lease upon the spoils for another four years. Its profits, however, will scarcely be as great hereafter, as they have been hitherto.

QUERE DE HOC? If St. Paul had been reading from a manuscript while he "reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come," would Felix have trembled? Or, if the Apostle, when permitted to speak for himself before King Agrippa, had been all the time stooping over his paper, or bobbing up and down from his written matter to his auditor, instead of standing upright, as we suppose he did, pouring forth a torrent of intellectual fire, while his eye, in fine phrensy rolling, glanced from earth to heaven and from heaven to earth again, would his royal Highness have been almost persuaded to be a Christian?