

Western Carolinian.

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the Prince.

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tem which signifies more than any other
circumstance, the present administration—
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distributed and inflicted with regard only
to the consideration whether the persons
to be favored, or proscribed, have yielded
up the privilege of thinking for themselves,
and have become the passive instruments
of men actuated by motives the most sly
and contracted.

We indulge the hope that when he,
whom will have been the law, shall have
left the stage, and when the panic produ-
ced by the late threatening aspect of our
affairs shall have disappeared, the public
mind will settle down into a dispassionate
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THE SLAVE QUESTION.

On our second page will be found an extract
from a speech lately delivered by the Hon. E.
Whittlesey of Ohio, on the subject of slavery.

It is gratifying to see men of influence and
talent exerting themselves to check the head-
strong current of fanaticism which threatens
the most awful calamities to this country; it
may be stayed, if such men at the North, where
the disease has showed itself, will make timely
effort, but if permitted to spread without any
opposition there, it will eventually acquire
an ascendancy.

Mr. Noah too, in his prospectus, speaks of
the same subject in language at once prudent,
and just to the South, he likewise pays a mer-
ited tribute to the patriotic and sound principles
of the southern people, as evinced on
great occasions when such virtues were of the
utmost importance to the country.

U. S. BANK—PUBLIC DEPOSITS.

We announced, last week, the fact that the
President who has virtually assumed the power
of the whole government, had determined
to remove from the United States Bank, all the
public money, and deposit it in the State
banks.

The Washington papers inform us that the
removal was to have commenced on the first of
the present month.

Mr. Duane, the Secretary of the Treasury,
who alone could legally remove the Public de-
posits, is too intelligent to foresee the effect
of such a measure, and too honest, and inde-
pendent to act in subordination to another, and
therefore, in his prescribed duty, firmly
opposed it, and accordingly has been dispensed
with to make room for a more pliant tool
which the President has found in the person of
Mr. Taft, the Attorney General.

The act of Congress chartering the Bank of
the U. S., provides,

That the deposits of the money of the Uni-
ted States, in places in which the said Bank
and Branches thereof may be established, shall
be made in said Bank and Branches, thereto-
under, the Secretary of the Treasury shall, at any
time, order the same and direct in which case
the Secretary of Treasury shall immediately
inform the President of the reasons of such an order and direct
the same.

By this clause the Secretary is vested with
the sole and exclusive authority to make a different
disposition of the public funds, in order to ge-
nerate difficulty, the President has subordi-
nated Mr. Taft, for Mr. Duane.

All the high-handed acts of the President;

this, considering all the circumstances, is the
least among them.

It is as we have always directed in the fac-
tory act of incorporation, and it is moreover
the opinion of the majority of the House of Representa-
tives, that the last session, prohibited the removal
of the deposits by a vote of 110 to 45.

This is done by one who calls it treason for a
sovereign state to interfere for the protection

of her citizens against an unconstitutional and
oppressive law!

Happily was it said by a distinguished gen-
tleman of Philadelphia, that the "little finger
of the President's mitigation, is thicker than
the body of South Carolina's militiamen."

But it is General Jackson that has done this,
and we trust, as usual, hear his devoted servants
bellowing out—*treason!*

It is true he has issued a long and labored ex-
position of the causes which induced him to
take this step; but while it refutes the off-
ered charges he has heretofore made against
the Bank, it urges none which can justify him,
and is written in a style of bitter hostility which
evidently springs more from personal than
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