

ter than we were; and he who would undertake to deny an appropriation for keeping such buildings in repair, was casting a reproach upon the memory of those good men. He could again repeat, that opposing such an appropriation was a small business very small indeed, and which would do no man any credit. There were objects of a far higher character to which the gentleman from Pennsylvania might direct his attention, and where the Administration was more vulnerable.

He, Mr. L., was no friend of Mr. Van Buren, but he would do him the justice to say, that it there was anything wrong in relation to the furniture of the White House, the President was not to blame for it. On the contrary, he, Mr. L., knew his great delicacy on the subject, and would assure gentlemen that, whenever the Committee had consulted the President in relation to any additional furniture, he had invariably expressed the greatest reluctance to have any thing expended for that object. He, Mr. L., would state, from his own knowledge, that not a single article of furniture supplied during the last three years, had been supplied at the request of the President himself. The Committee alone were answerable, and they would assume the responsibility. But so far was the President from desiring any addition made to the furniture, that, about two years ago, it actually became necessary for himself and the other members of the Committee to do what he had never done before, nor would he ever do it again. Did gentlemen wish to know what that was? He would tell them. It was to go through every room in another man's house, to see how much furniture he wanted, and what conveniences were required. He liked that gentleman would take notice of this fact, and remember it whenever they attempted to cast aspersions on the President in relation to his furniture.

Mr. L. then gave some particulars of the condition of the White House, when it was visited by his committee, before it was left by the late President, Jackson.

He said, there was one room occupied by the Private Secretary of the President, with his wife and family. In that room there were three old chairs, a stained washstand, and a shabby old-fashioned mahogany table, which turned up, and which was so mean, that the wagoner of President Monroe was ashamed of it, and actually refused to take it away. When he looked round the room, it reminded him of his son's college room. Yet these three old chairs, stained washstand, and turn-up table, was all the furniture in that room, which was occupied by the Private Secretary and family, up to the time the late President left the city. All saw gentleman despatched the truth of this statement, let him go through the chamber, and inspect them himself. But he hoped he should no longer bear blame cast on the President when a small appropriation was required for the purchase of necessary furniture. If the furniture was considered too expensive, it was not the fault of the President, but the fault of those who, by constructing the building of such dimensions, had rendered it necessary.

Mr. L. expressed his determination to vote for every reasonable appropriation for keeping the house in proper repair. He then called attention to the sum expended on the Treasury building, and went into an argument of some length to show that, in this instance, the appropriations had really been abused; which remarks will be given as early as time and circumstances will permit.

FROM MEXICO.

SPIRIT OF THE MEXICAN JOURNALS.
We have received copies of papers from the city of Mexico to the 20th of March, from which we make the following extracts:

The formidable tribe of Indians, the Apaches and the Camanches, have invaded the Mexican States of Nuevo Leon and Chihuahua, on the west side of the river Bravo del Norte. The people of these frontier States complain that, whilst the Government sends troops to Yucatan to oppose the revolutionists in that State, the frontier is left to its own defence.

The disorganized state of the Mexican Confederation is comparable to that of Guatemala, where each State comprising the Republic has constituted itself an independent State, with a separate Constitution. These miniature republics propose to form treaties with foreign powers. Of the States of Mexico, Texas is represented as an independent Republic—Chihuahua, Nuevo Leon, Sonora, Sinaloa, the Californias, and New Mexico, have formed a new Republic, called the Republic of North Mexico.

The Republic of North Mexico was established by a provisional Government on the 6th of February. Twenty deputies from the different States met in convention at the town of Guerrero de Tamazula, and adopted resolutions for the Government of the New Republic. Jesus Carmona was elected provisional president, and Antonio Canales was appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Army.

The first articles of the resolutions adopted by the convention, declare that "the people of the frontier of North Mexico, owe no allegiance to the actual Government of Mexico." A Congress of Deputies from the States will assemble on the 25th of May, to adopt a form of Government, and organize it.

TERrible HURRICANE AT MADRAS! 20,000 PERSONS PErISHED.

An awful hurricane with an inundation of the sea, occurred on the 16th November at Coringa, on the coast northward of Madras. Some particulars of its dreadful devastation are given in the Madras Spectator, on the authority of letters written on the spot.

"The water from the sea rushed in with such violence that the houses at Coringa, with the exception of a large house, and three or four other brick built houses, have been all carried away. I have had two and a half feet water in my garden, and in my room, which is under my bungalow, over a half foot. They say that more than 20,000 people have perished by this terrible hurricane which lasted only five or six hours. There is nothing to be seen in every direction but dead bodies and drowned cattle. Sixty native vessels, which were in the road loaded with paddy, have disappeared, and they do not know what has become of them."

PERU, BOLIVIA, AND CHILI.

The expeditionary army of Chile, under command of General BULNES, arrived at Valparaiso in December from Lima, leaving General GAMARRA as the President of Peru. The Constitution of the Republic had been adopted and promulgated by the Congress of Huancayo. General GAMARRA, in his message to the Congress, says that the treaties made by the United States and Great Britain with General SANTEL CERZ as President of the Peru-Bolivian Confederation, will not be recognized by the Government of Peru.—Globe.

"You're very quick of apprehension," said the thief to the constable.

POLITICS OF THE DAY.

From the "North Carolinian."

READ THIS—MORE PROOF.—THE FALSE CRY OF FOOLERY EXPOSED COMPLETELY!—We treat every honest man who loves his country, every independent farmer and mechanic, to read the following remarkable correspondence, and particularly the humiliating letter from a Harrison's "Confidential Committee." The letter corresponds peculiarly with one so voracious and indignantly pronouncing a "Foolery," with the exception of not having the signature of the notorious Wright. What a disgusting, disgraceful spectacle of party management! Will a free and enlightened people countenance such conduct? Will they vote for a man to be the President of our glorious Republic, who requires the morsings and watchings of a committee? Never. It cannot be.

WADDESDORF, April 29, 1840.

MR. HOLMES Sir, enclosed we send you for publication in the "North Carolinian," a letter which we received from Gen. Harrison's "Confidential Committee," in reply to one which we addressed him on the 25th of last December. This letter we wish you to invite all to call and see, both Whigs and Democrats, as we understand a similar one addressed to the "Oswego Association" has been brandied by some of the journals as a "base forgery."

We have to regret that we have unfortunately mislaid the copy of our letter to Gen. Harrison.—We hope yet to be able to lay our hands on it, but as the publication of this correspondence will in all probability cost Gen. Harrison's "Committee" money, we invite them to publish our letter. The questions below, we are certain are those which we asked Gen. Harrison to answer.

Respectfully,

JAS. L. TERRY,
E. SINCLAIR,
S. W. COLE.

GEN. HARRISON. Sir, 1st. What are your views with regard to a United States Bank?

2nd. Your views with regard to Internal Improvement by the General Government?

3rd. Your views with regard to the admission of Florida into the Union?

4th. Whether you believe that Congress possesses the constitutional power to abolish slavery in the District of Columbia?

5th. If you ever proposed that the surplus revenue should be appropriated to purchase the slave population and emancipate them.

6th. Whether you ever directly advocated the passage of a law, having for its object the sale of insolvent debtors!

HARRISON'S REPLY.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 22, 1840.

MISSES TERRY, COLE, SINCLAIR.—GENTLEMEN:—Your letter, of the 25th December, addressed to Gen. Harrison, has been delayed thus long in consequence of the almost innumerable calls of a similar kind, and from all sections of the United States. These have, at last, so multiplied, as to render it impracticable, absolutely, for the General to respond to person. The duty, therefore, devolves upon the undersigned, members of his Corresponding Union, to aid, Confidential Committee; and if the policy hereafter observed should not meet your entire approbation, you will, we trust, attribute the error rather to ourselves, than General Harrison.

This policy is, that the General make no further declaration of principle for the public eye, whilst occupying his present position. "Having secured the nomination of Gen. Harrison, and the co-operation and support of the Abolitionists and Anti-Masons, a new hope inspired the Abolitionists to extend their power throughout the whole Union. The statement that "a secret and dangerous organization is going on in every neighborhood of this State, and it is said, in every State in the Union" is well calculated to arouse public inquiry, especially in the slave States, and ferret out the individuals, should they be found to exist within their limits:

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