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CONSISTENCIES. "If it should be proposed in Congress 15 give a quarter section of land to every soldier en-graded in the Eastern war on both sides, there a quarter section of land to every soldier en-graded in the Eastern war on both sides, there would be considerative, services situat have the better hereafter. Not even Captain Type rengerly isodered and relaciantly accepted, passer in the distribution of the hand plunder, if the area fluctuation of the hand plunder, if the services for the passe good olject, for provement, if of a very local ensared into provement, if of a very local ensared into the strict constructionits, propose w till for the provement, if of a very local ensared into the strict constructionits, propose w till for the provement, if of a very local ensared into the strict constructionits, propose w till for the provement, if of a very local ensared into the strict constructionits, propose w till for the provement, if of a very local ensared into the strict constructionits, propose w till for the provement, if of a very local ensared into the strict constructionits, propose w till for the provement in the office of whoth specers and interval into works are the whole country, and for some discovery the strict constructionits, propose w till for the provement in the constructionities, propose w till for the provement in the constructionities, propose w till for the provement into a strace of the provement into the strict constructionities, propose w till for the provement into a strace of the provement into the strict constructionities, propose w till for the provement into the strace of the provement into the strict constructionities, propose w till for the provement into the strace of the provement into the strict constructionities, propose w till for the provement into the strace of the provement into the strace of the whole country, and for some dealers into the strace of the provement into the strace of the provement into the strace of the prove urge it on. There would be little difficulty even in endowing an insame hospital in one of the Western States; but to extend the same justice in endowing an insame hospital in one of the up among the people, even among the sternest Western States; but to extend the same justice and truest Democrats, who believe that they to all the States is unconstitutional, or at least have been duped, defrauded, and cheated, and

evald consent to vote appropriations of land to any purpose. They uniformly declare in all their platforms that there is no authority in the ther platforms that there is no apply an acre of to be "forced by a mist unpleasent compulsion" the blessings of those scattered residents to whose the public lands, either to building railroads, pro- to speak the truth, and proclaim the real, undis-These lands, they say, must be reverted as a signification of the government. It would be improper, uncoorditational, a palpa-ble infraction of the decision, and a grass outrage upon right and justice, to direct them from these objects. It is contrary to all their ideas of study and patriotism to apply them to other purpose. Their consciences would to ment them forever if they were to contromance any diversion of the source of the ment them forever if they were so connennance, any diversion of this common fund from the ob-jects to which they notelly proclaim it is exclu-sively devoted. They would be glad to aid the States and to aid individuals in all their project-ed improvements and enterprises for the public good, but how can they reject the admonitions of daily, and pay no beed to the "still small voice" of connectors.

considence. Such is the reasoning and such the plous protostations with which Democrats, through the press, upon the stamp, and in their platforms, depresate every thing like a distribution of the public lands. But how does their conduct tally with their professions? Have no appropriations of land been made to railroads and other purposes themest their formers. of laid been made to raitroads and other purposes through their influence and their votas? Have the great Western States received no hounties in this shape? Has Douglas been unsuccessful in his offorts at grab game to Hundis? Has Mis-sori, and Michigan, and Wisconsin, been turned empty away, their applications source, their de-masks unbested? Has the Constitution and the Democratic conscience to use preverved intact and unsolided in this mutter? Have, in fact, Demo-erate voted away no partian of the public do-main? Has it been structly and serupulously ap-tical to avoid the table do.

plied to pay the public debt, and defray the pub expenses? Is it expected for the public to be lieve that such are really the facts of the case? If such be Democratic expectation, then there is

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THE ADMINISTRATION - AFFAIRS IN WASHINGTON.

If the concurrent testimony of disinterested men of all parties is to be taken as evidences in the matter, then the present administration is an overwholming and disgraceful failure. Never before was such deep and general distrust felt in any set of men as is now entertained toward the besautiful batch of political adventures, who hold sway at Washington. The conviction is almost universal, that the country has been wofally de-served and and the country has been wofally de-in a such deep and general distrust for in before way at Washington. The conviction is almost universal, that the country has been wofally de-ter and the country has been wofally de-ter and the second provide the second provide the provide the common School second provide the second provide beautiful batch of political adventurers, who hold sway at Washington. The conviction is almost universal, that the country has been would be ceived and imposed upon in the election of Mr. Pierce—that he has eruelly disappointed not only the anticipations of his friends, but has fal-len infinitely short of what even his enhunics expected of him—and that there is not the least within reasons of any made and the least

The second secon fuential Democratic themselves, in respect to the present administration—even the opinions of the spokesaen and organs of the party, who profess phasize the syllables of his words as to please t aristocratic ears of the democracy 2. No! T people of the State will sustain him. The po dered a complete and ignominious let. This then, is the prognant and emphatic answer :-"If think not; and our opinions are formed not without experience, and not without some know-ledge of the narrow calibre and weak principles of the men who now control the public affairs."

of the men who now control the public of the men who now control the public affairs." These sentiments, be it remembered, emanate exclusively from a Democratic source. And what harshet judgment, we ask,—and its harshees is owing entirely to its truth—have Whig jour-nals and politicians ever expressed in relation to Mr. Pierce and his administration ? An adthe brack (Ass. -Down in New Hander, oth we see that Consol Bragg is running for liceren-no or of North Carolina. At a meeting of the party and during last Court week (at which were probably its present many from the enlightened precincts of ministration, -according to the 'testing of its oppenents and its friends, -white and its oppenents and its friends, --which has no parellel in our history for its proligacy and orruption, and for an hubitual disregard of its present many from the enlightened precincts of automate duties and the manifest injurests of the Long Creek, Holly Shelter, Burgaw, &c.) the re-

What, then, is the cause of the present condi- subtions and second status tell us of Thomas Bragg, What, then, is the cause of the present condi-tion of affairs? Why is the President univer-sally distrusted? Why is he almost despised by the better portion of his own party? As we have already shown, Pemocrats themselves have partily saved us the trouble of answering these. sections. We will assign, however, but a sin- the campaign; that wherever a word could be spo-

If such the Demonstratic expectation, then there is area waited example in the transformation deception on the part of these mentable disappointment on the part of these sectors. The truth is metalihet anding we have nothing presses, the public lands are going—going with they take their correst-mothing for the Sacio-method for the success of the sacio-sector examples to confidence in the success of the truth is metalihet anding we have nothing presses, the public lands are going—going with they take their correst-mothing for the Sacio-method for the success of the sacio-method for the success of the sacio-method for the metal uprior the success of they take their correst-mothing for the Sacio-method for the success of the sacio-method for the metal uprior the success of the sacio-method for the success of the sacio-method for the success of the sacio-method for the sacio-method for the sacio-method for the sacio-method for the metal uprior the sacio-the stationed. We think he is much better cal-the stationed for the sacio-the stationed for the sacio-method for the metal uprior the sacio-the stationed for the sacio <text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text> The providence of the state of a party, whose political principles, and whose being direct principles, and whose being specified of the basels in the land, and he controlling spirit of the administration of base set. For events, found the controlling spirit of the administration of base is and the controlling spirit of the administration of the whole country should be disgusted? The whole country should be disgusted? The is that a may and prediction of the country should be disgusted? The is that a may and of the rest of the states, finds are being spinisted? Where a dial.
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COMMON SCHOOLS. From the Wilmington Hera d. GEN, DOCKERY IN WILMINGTON. Both parties in this State, by their respebecording to appointment, Gen. Dockery ad-ssed the people of this County at the Court dressed the people of this County at the Court House vestering afternoon. The Court Room year filled to overflowing, indeed we have rarely witnessed at any political meeting in this place so inrge an assemblage. Apart from the interest which ordinarily attaches to the discussion of pp-litical subjects, was felt that natural regard by the Republican Whigs for the success in debate, as well as at the polis, of their candidate, compa-ratively as he was a stranger. In the discussion lie lands we should soon have it in our power to ratively as at the polls, of their candidate, comparatively as he was a stranger. In the discussion which took place between Gee, Dockery and S. J. Person, Esq., (who appeared for Mr. Bergg.) keep up our schools the whole year rou educate every poor girl and boy is the State. How stands Mr. Bragg affected towards the Schools? What has he dense for the education of the children of the State? Does he claim J. Person, Em., (who appeared for Mr. Bragg.) we are sure we speak the conviction of all the Whigs present, that our candidate hore himself with an ability, candor, and honesty worthy of all commendation. He surprised and delighted his hearers. We had expected a plain, arreight forward, strong speech; but he added to all this such an intimate knowledge of the subject, he dis-cussed, and illustrated thom so forcibly, yet so clearly, with so much case and trasness, that we felt that the Whig cause had an able, a very able defender and supporter in him. Of this conchifelt dust, the Whig cause and an anie, a very able defender and supporter in him. Of this condi-sion, we imagine, were the Lococrats, before the end of the discussion, for it same to defined, that he bore off the honors in this fight. George Davis, Eso., having introduced in be-daming terms, the General to the sufficience, he, after a few introductory remarks, took up the su are of Constitutional Meform, and avowed him setting this demonstration of Free Suffrage. He had always cars for Whitesville, been its advocate, and contended that the people desired this change in the Constitution, and that THE DISCUSSIO he was ready to give it to them. The Democrati his own sons for chain-carriers, and, at his own compares, laid off the whole county in School Districts. And when it is recollected that the County of Richmond is more than sixty miles had talked, and promised, and legislated upon this subject, but what had it all amounted to after running the State to very great expense, the people were as far from getting this change as in long, and over thirty broad at some points, the the ontset. He contended that the shortest the outset. He contended that the shortest, cheapest, surest mode to have this change effect-ed, would be the mode proposed by the Whigs, that of a Convention. By a Convention properly organized, composed as it would be of the ablest ed, may be estimated by every one. Day alte en in the State, elected for the purpose, such sandhills between Lumber River and the Sout change in the organic law as might be deemed essential, could be made, and be ratified by the people in one-sixth the time required by the Leg-inlative mode, and at much less expense. He was not afraid to trust the people. The Consti-tution was sefer in their hands than in those of politicians who tinker at it for political advance-ment. In this connection, he paid a high com-pliment to the distinguished men who composed the Convention of 1835, and gave a slight histo-ry of Free Suffrage, which he said was the bantng of Mr. Cobb, of Geo., who kindly gave it to 307. Reld as a hobby: tion. Dockery next referred to Common Schools

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and his remarks on this head were forci de and at times eloquent. He alluded to the blowings of Education, and his own limited opportunities when young. As a sick man could appreciate the blowsings of health, so deprived of the ben fits of a good education as he had been, he knew how to appreciate them. His head was now silvared by age, but all his exertions had been, and wou'd be, extend as far as possible the advantages of lucation over all the State. His remarks on boys of North Carolina, who know the difficulties of getting an education while the iron wheel of this head were appropriate, and feelingly exverty is crushing them to the earth, will gath On the subject of Laternal Improvements, he was

provements. He was in favor of the extensi f the Central Rail Bond, East and We Whe recently at Edenton, Mr. Bragg, his Wemceratic competitor, had asked him whether he was in fa-vor 4 the extension, he had promptly replied that he was. Turning then, s that he was. Turning then, and the General, to Mr. Bragg. I asked him whether he also was in favor of the extension. Mr. Bragg replied, that he had no right to calcelize him I I asked him again, and received the same reply. I then not in favor of borrowing money to build this egension, and he replied THAT HE WAS NOT ! The General then proceeded to show that this amount ed to hostility to the Road, since no Rail Road was ever constructed without borrowing

not be surprised in the event of its defeat, that | MR. BRAGG AND INTERNAL IMPROVE the Whigs would be made responsible for it. In the course of his realarks, the General paid a

deserved counteliment to the enterprise, and pros-perity of Wilmington : spoke of the contest in which he was engaged, that terminate as that contest may, his best energies should always be as they had heretofore been, for the development of the resources of North Carolina, and for the

prosperity and tree greatness of the whole State. He made a discidedly favorable impression up-on our people. Plain, heanest, aumssuming there is nothing of the politician absorbhim. Totknow him at once to be a frank, reliable man, no fluthmery, above board, sincere, in whose statements the people may rely. He is a much stronge man in debate too, than had been supposed ; ready, armed at all points, equal to the emergen-ey. Ha "woulled" his Democratic adversary yesey. He "woolled" his Democratic accuracy, erday in beautiful style : turned the tables

THE DISCUSSION-THE JOURNAL.

We referred to a few points assumed by Ger Dockery, on Monday, in Tuesday's Commercia These were well sustained, as we said on that occasion. On the Nebraska Bill he is sound, as a are informed through the *Herald*, as well as all other matters, not of the Whig " Platform" merebiner matters, not of the Whig "Platform" mere-ly, but of a character to promote the best interest of the Poople of North Carolins. The Hereld says: "In the discussion which took place be-tween Gen. Dickery and S. J. Person, Esq., (who appeared for Mr. Bragg.) we are sure we spoak the conviction of all the Whigs present, that our candidate bore himself with an ability, cander, and honesty worthy of all commendation. surprised and delighted his heavers."

We have known Gen. Dackery for some time, and were not, therefore, very mach surprised at his powerful reasoning, his deep knowledge of all public matters, and his well ordered manner of delivery. He is well known, also, throughout the State and a state of the source State as a Farmer of industrious habits and of gentlemanily deportment. We do not hear, from any reliable source, that there was any deterioration of his qualifications, in any exhibition i

this quarter. We do not suppose that his manners are quit We do not suppose that his manners are quite free different field." He does not carry a pounce box," "which ever and anon he plies his nose and takes away again." No. He is not a fashionable "popiniay"—nor is he required to he so by the sensible people of North Carolina. That he is not in a me way faically inclined does, however, seem, to be a contrast of manners of the sector. in some way finically inclined does, however, seem, to be a matter of grievance to the principal or-gan of the Bragg Family in this section—as ap-pears from part of an article in the Journal of Tuesday last. This but establishes the verity of our infimation, made a few days ago, that some poople secunt to be fond of making fun of the work-ing classes. They talk as though to be a working man, conveyed the idea of something "ancouth," coarse," &c. In short, to labor for a living is boing decidedly "vulgar" oncod her, as the Lawcoarse," Ac. In short, to labor for a living i boing decidedly "vulgar" quood Ac, as the Law yers say -as some folks seem to think,

y-as some folks seem to think, shall feel it our duty to notice the article is urnal, in a more particular manuer, m the Journal, in a more particular manu-Saturday or Tuesday next, if it is not done he had no right to colochize him 1 naked him again, and received the same reply. I then charged him with dadging, and select him the adage : "Two upon one, is one too many."

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Bragg's position on Internal Improven the following language : "The truth about the matter, we "The truth about the matter, we presume, is simply this—Mr. B agg is in favor of a fair and likeral system of Lucraal Improvements for North Carolina, as a whole, but is conscious that the details of such system, or the devising and carrying out of particular measures, belongs to the Legislature and to the people of the State, and not to the Governor, who ought not to be committed to this or that particular scheme or preserve." reneet." Now, we wish slmp'y to enquire if the Journal

prefect."
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THE GAME OF VITUPERATION. This favorite game of the Loss Focus, in a at and underrate merit, to open the low of of detraction; to abuse the Whig condidate every available weapon; to derside his intell al abilities, and bring his unalifications, latitles and services into ridicule, is to be p cuted to the fullest extent during the pr fulleration or all comparison of the top the presence of the services of the service of the services of the ser from the Journal, we wish to inquire what set of Mr. Bragg's public life the Journal can draw such influences from as those contained in the

such influences from as those contained in the above extract. And upon the possibility of no answer at all, we respectfully ask the Journal to put its finger on Mr. Bragg, or, if Mr. Bragg can do it, we ask him to put his finger on himself, and tell us ex-actly where he is on this question of Internal

him to put his finger on himself, and teil us ex-actly where he is on this question of Internal Improvements. And, by the way, we have not yet been em-lightened on the questions we propounded to Mr. Bragg hast week. Give us light genilemen, light Let us know where you are. — Weldow Put. The Wilmington Journal has a very artful, if not a very honest, way of doing some things. It represents us as "defending "Genoral Dock-ery sgainst a pretended "oharge" of having given \$10,000 to Wake Forest College, which charge, or thing, it never heard of till it saw it in the Observer, and therefore gives its readers that our object was, "not to correct this,—bat to hint that if Mr. Dickery didn't give \$10,000, he did give something, as it is at much pains to state."

and means that other men have had, it is we want them to know that this bonnet, m tending, charitable and able representation the working classes, is to be put down a used, merely because ho has a peculiar, speech, and expresses himself in hold, and language like a man. No wonder the Jo-and the Loco Focos think kim " a mere excess man," because he handles, then we Now, surprising as it may or may not be to the Journal we did find the statement as to the \$10. 000 in the Concord Gasette, finto which it had been copied from some other paper, the Weldon Patriet we believe. It had also appeared edito-rially in the Asheville Spectator, and had been copied into many, we think nearly all, the Whig paper in the Kastern section. If the Journal was ignorant of this, (which we doult.) its igne-rance was no fault of ours. We chose to put a stop for the Cargeration, and to give the true thatement. The truth was creditable to General Deckery, and, of course, the Journal conceals the truth, and misrepresities our statement of it. As to the incident respecting Davidson Col-lege we know mothing personally : we gave au-thority for the statement, and that authority is rather better them a bald unsupported denial of the Journal. Now, surprising as it may or may not be to the

the Journal. As to internal improvements the Johrenal says: to the highest effice in their s " In all the important movements made in the Legislature for the great works of the State, the democrats have borne a full share."

The design to control the action of our neighbors, and the sense is the sense of the sense is the sense is

suggested for the benefit of all the States, and it finds no favor at the hands of a Democratic administration. The public lands become instant-ly a sacred thing. Any taing of a local charac-ter, provided it helps the West, is proper and constitutional courget; but any thing general, contemplating the good of the whole Union; is trage and datestable. We show in the idea that "there would be fittle difficulty in even endowing an insame hospital in one of the West-ern States, hat to avenue the same justice to all the States, is hold uncoulitational and endema-eratic," according to the conscientions notions and sublime logic of the Pierce pacty. When will the people cease to be imposed upon by such ridiculous jargen ?--Rick, Why.

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ridicalions jurgen 1--Rich. Whig. THE CALORIC SHIP ERICSON. It is stated that the ship Ericson, now lying for \$0.25,000, and is considered worth \$500,000. It is supposed she will be raised in a fur days At the time of the acident, John B. Kitching, Seq., one of the orders, was on heard, with his family. It is believed that if the freeman had shus the part, through which they were samply ing cinders, the acident would not have occurs rease to the acident would not have occurs ing the working of her contrasting to the motor in the contrast of the state of the motor is a state abust the part, through which they were samply ing cinders, the acident would not have occurs rease to the acident would not have occurs ing the working of her contrasting to them the state that we did not hear one of them allede to the contempt of the proceeding of the motor and the second of the processing the data and in getting out, after disconting ing the workings of her conjunct at the days allowed the fract to get tery line, as that when ing the more has been been been been allow and truth were instants of the acident for progresser, and the prove in many in a distance of five midet beyond her agoed increased as allo progresser, making per minute. The employ in the state that in our esti-tion the acident as a five midet beyond her argoed increased as allo progresser, making per minute. As here here here the per minute, in the term which is the rease as policy and in the state of the reast and per progresser. In all the provident movements model by the dimense had reached the per minute, here are the per when all the beyond here argoed increased as allo progresser. In all the provident movements model by the dimense had reached the per minute, here are the provident movements model by the dimense had reached the per minute, here are the per sheare as policy the dimense had reached the per minute, here are the per sheare as policy the state of the set of the prove and the per sheare exit in the per she Board of the second sec the fiber marking processing a management of state strong the source of the forwards in fifthered and the source of the source o

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The following paragraph from the Louisville Journal expresses the sentiments entertained of Pierce and his administration by an overwhelming majority of the members of both parties at Washington, "How are the mighty fallen."

The of the most represent inverse many paper within our receivertion has been ex-hibited by the Portsmouth Globe, a paper pub-lished, as its name imports, at Portsmouth, Va-navit. Will you believe it, ender 7 it has ac-tually holsted at its name head the name of Tana-as Hason, for the Gotternorship of North Caroli-

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nd their warm hearted benefactor,