

LETTER FROM GENERAL SCOTT.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25, 1841. GENTLEMEN: I have lately had the honor to receive many letters from many different States, each proposing, on the part of the writer and his neighbor, nearly the same political interrogatories—to which answers are requested.

Department (become to super judicial of late years) be too weak to fulfil the strictly executive functions for which it was more particularly created? Or, rather, would not that department still be the most powerful for evil in the Government?

What I would, therefore, humbly advise is this: To turn out, not only on a change of President, but in any and every week of the year, all officeholders known to be deficient in either honesty, capacity, or industry, and to appoint in their stead men known to possess those qualities.

With great respect, I am, &c., J. C. CALHOUN. The influence of association upon men of the sternest character and soundest minds, is plainly exemplified in the adoption of the ad captivum vulgar slang of mere party politicians, in even a single instance, by such men as Mr. Calhoun.

Mr. VAN BUREN begins to be seriously spoken of by some of his political party as a candidate for the Presidency at the next election. A meeting of his friends was held in Philadelphia, on the 25th ult., to consider the question of immediate action on the subject.

Mr. BROWNLOW, the Editor of the Journal (Tennessee) Whig, is at present in Nashville, whence he transmits accounts of the proceedings of the Legislature for the columns of his spirited paper.

But, without the protection of either the Bench or the Veto, would the Executive

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