The Commercial. WILMINGTON, N. C. SATURDAY, JULY 12, 1856. FOR PRESIDENT JAMES BUCHANAN. OF PENNSYLVANIA. FOR VICE PRESIDENT JNO. C. BRECKENRIDGE OF KENTUCKY. FOR GOVERNOR, THOMAS BRAGG. OF NORTHAMPTON. New Hanover County Democratic Nominations FOR THE SENATE. OWEN FENNELL

FOR THE HOUSE OF COMMONS, SAMUEL A. HOLMES. ROBERT H. TATE.

MR. BURLINGAME'S "GREAT" SPEECH.

We have all read of the lady partizan of Mr. Wilkes who insisted that he was a handsome man; and when reminded of his villainous squint, roundly asserted that he did not squint more than a gentleman ought to do.

It appears to us that those persons who call Mr. Burlingame's speech a "great" dertakes to do it. speech, must be lineal descendants of the good lady who so admired Mr. Wilkes. At any rate, the blinding effects of fanaticism are hardly more striking in the one case than in the other.

number of rash and reckless assertions than We have read the speech, certainly, with this. It is not true that the great statesno personal prejudices. Mr. Burlingame men and people of Massachusetts believe is an amiable gentleman, of pleasing manthat the fugitive slave is unconstitutional. ners and address, who, to quote his own Her Supreme Court have pronounced it words in speaking of Mr. Sumner, " never constitutional; and her people are accushad a personal enemy in his life." But tomed to repect the decisions of that high the speech is one which derives its whole tribunal. The statesmen, or rather the consequence and effect from its being in politicians, of the Republican party, hold likewise. We show ourselves no better sympathy with the present heated and the law to be unconstitutional. Beyond than slaveholders when we imitate their frantic tone of public sentiment in Massathis Mr. Burlingame has no right to go. chusetts. It is a flimsey web of declama-Again, it is not true that Mr. Webster said tion, attracting attention only by the gauhe thought the fugitive slave law of 1850 diness of its coloring. It is forcibly feeble unconstitutional; and it is an unwarrantand elaborately commonplace. There are able and discreditable thing on Mr. Burhundreds of young men in the colleges of lingame's part to say so. We cannot com-New England who could make as good a prehend the moral looseness which could speech, to say the least. Its rhetoric is lead him to speak such language. Mr. tawdry and boyish; and the praises it Webster, in his 7th of March speech, said lavishes upon Mr. Summer are in bed taste of the law of 1793, that he had been of the from their extravagance. We should think opinion that its provisions should be, or that gentleman, by the by, would begin to might be, executed by the state authorities ; be sick of the excessive adulation which but that he had bowed to the authority of his admirers lavish upon him. Praise is a Prigg's case, as was his custom to do. cordial, to be drank in small glasses. Mr. And in his letter to the citizens of New-Summer's flatterers deal with him as a man buryport, he stated that he had desired to

bill. "Master wants to know if you will generally recognized the more readily by settle this little bill." "Give my compli- others if they are not obtruded by himself; ments to your master, and tell him to look and we think the merits of a state are quite after his own debts and let mine alone." as likely to be acknowledged by strangers So Mr. Burlingame, in substance says :- If they are not so loudly trumpeted by her own citizens. We have seen quite enough "Gentlemen, please to look after your own errors and mistakes, and let those of Mas- of this self-laudation and self-glorification ; sachusetts alone." and we are by no means sure that Massa-

Mr. Burlingame goes on to say :---

The State of Massachusetts is the guardian of the rights of her citizens and of the inhabitants within her border lines. If her citizens go beyond that line, into distant lands or upon the ocean, then they look to the federal arm for protection. But old Massachusetts is the State which is to secure to her citizens the inestimable blessing of trial by jury, and the right of habeas corpus. All those things must come from her, and not from the federal government I believe, with her great statesmen, and with her people, that the fugitive slave law is unconstitutional. Mr. Webster said that he thought it was not constitutional. Mr. Rantoul, another brilliant statesman of

both thought that the clause of the Constitution was addressed to the states. Mr. Webster bowed to the decision of the Supreme Court, in the Prigg case ; Mr Ran-

Massachusetts, said the same thing-they

tions. Shall we sanction towards a sister coul did not. Massachusetts believes it to be unconstitutional, but whether it be constate a'strain of blustering denunciation stitutional or not, she means, so long as the which would be disconntenanced in Europe federal government undertakes to execute. towards a people of different race, lanthat law, that the federal government shall guage, and religion ? If it be our object do it with its own instruments, vile or otherto turn brothers into enemies, to make one wise. She says that no one clothed with

her authority, shall do anything to help in section of the country hate another, and to t, so long as the federal government untake the first steps in a path which leads If would be difficult to find a paragraph strain of remark is worthy of all commen-

of equal length, spoken or written by a dation and imitation. We cannot see any man in authority, containing a greater other result likely to come of it. We are well aware of the justification

which is always offered in behalf of this wounding language, that it is provoked by similar expressions from the lips of slaveholders themselves. We have no doubt that this is perfectly true in point of fact; but what is the value of the defence ?-Simply, that they do wrong, and we do

chusetts would not grow in grace if she

coulk have a quicker sense of her own de-

fects and a more generous recognition of

Burlingame follows the lead of abler men

in his vituperation of South Carolina. We

confess that we read such effusions with

regret and disapprobation. We regard

as in bad taste, as wrong, and as unwise.

What possible good can come of it? Are

you going to make South Carolina behave

better by exasperating all her evil-passions?

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would not allow a member of Parliament

to use such language towards France as

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fects and a more generous recognition of the virtues of her neighbors. So, too, Mr. was the most popular sheet animate or inanimate that ever issued from a Southern press; and had it been content to have lived in its own native sphere, it would now have been the "Brother Jonathan" of the South. Such a result can but be evident to any thinking man; it was indeed on the high road to fame and a most enviable on the bigh road to tame and a most curvator distinction. But becoming fat, in an unlucky moment like the man who had grown "rick en-ough to ride an ass," and had, therefore gotten above his fellows, the "Animal" leaped the bars of its accustomed field, and the next thing we heard of him, he, like a man turned politician from preacher, was pining for the good things of life, and no doubt, like the silly lamb of old that cluded the sight of the shepard, and got into the thick woods which was found to be infested with wolves, he wished himself back in his old range But the bars had been put another rail higher wards South Carolina, because it would and he couldn't get back ; besides, he had

tend to a breach of the peace among nagrown so lean that he could not jump. It is said that bought wisdom is the best in the world, if it dont cost too much. A mighty true saying ; one in which there is more of truth than poetry or romance, and in view of this old saying and " the Annimal's experience, his old friends need have little fear that he will at any time hereafter cut the same caper again. He'l kick any man that would intimate such a thing. The Live Giraffe will then be neutral. It will be devoted to fun, to the news, and literature. I will be made the vehicle of publishing many a thought to the world, funny, grave and instrue tive, that would have wasted itsulf on the air "as to disunion and civil war, Mr. Burlingame's summer roses do." but for its columns ; it will seek every opportunity to turn grave and uninteresting matters into pleasant and agreeable incidents; upset all ill-natured humanity it meets with and mould it anew; expose all rascality wherever found, whether in Church or State-(that's promising a great deal,) or in the social circle, and keep a strict watch on the press, literary, religious and political, and see that each keeps its bounds.

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cuted.

would do who should give his guests noyau amend the fugitive slave law of 1850 by in tumblers. adding a clause providing for a trial by World.

Mr. Burlingame is particularly unfortu- jury, but that he did not think that the abnate in his defence of the personal liberty sence of such a provision made the law bill. We sincerely advise our Republican friends to let that statute alone. Let the mantle of discreet silence rest upon it so Webster's saying or intimating that he long as it remains unrepealed. As the sons of Noah, with backward steps and reverently sad countenances, covered the nakedness of their father, so should the he is to be set down as a man who has sons of Massachusetts deal with their borne false witness against a dead neighmother Commonweath in regard to that bor. We pass by, without comment, the statute. Certainly, it needs a much nicer passage in which Mr. Webster and Mr. master of logical science than Mr. Burlin- Rantoul are held up as co-equal statesmen game, to undertake such a subject.

has always been faithful-has always been for argument and too grotesque for ridicule. loyal to the Constitution. Has she? it "I suppose you will say next," said George must be then with the qualification that | Heriot to Richie Monoplies, in the Fertunes she has always been loyal to the Constitu- of Nigel, "that you have at Edinburgh as tion as she understands it. If the Supreme | fine a river as the Thames." "The Thames!" Court of the United States are correct in replied the undaunted Richie, "does your their construction of the Constitution-if the Supreme Court of Massachusetts are the water of Leith ?" correct in their construction of it-then the personal liberty bill is an act of disloyalty to the Constitution.

After this general flourish of loyalty; Mr. Burlingame proceeds to defend Massachusetts under the special charge of having passed this statute :--

Another charge is that Massachusetts has passed a personal liberty bill. Well, sir, I say that Massachusetts for her local legislation is not responsible to this House or to any member of it. I say, sir, that mands, or permits, her state officers to do if her laws were as had as those atrocious that which, if persisted in, would lead to a laws of Kansas you can do nothing with her. I say, if her statute-books, instead of being filled with generous legislationlegislation which ought to be interesting to her assailants, because it is in favor of the idiotic and the blind, [laughter[-were filled like those of the State of Alabama, covering the State with whipping posts. keeping half of her people in absolute slavery, and nearly all the other half in subjection to 29,000 slaveholders ; if the slaveholders themselves were not permitted to buy and make free, as they choose, their own property so sacred, if ignorance were increasing faster than the population, I say then that you could not do anything with the local laws of Massachusetts.

Was there ever anything feebler than this? Is it any answer to the charge of state of Massachusetts tramples under foot having passed an unconstitutional statute a law of the United States because she to say that the Legislature is not responsi- does not like it, what better can you expect ble to Congress? Certainly they are not of a parcel of slaveholders that have suckdirectly. But the real question is as to the ed in ignorance and wickedness with their moral attitude of Massachusetts before the mothers' milk ? Shall the deeds of the country-as to her right to complain of children of darkness be better than those unconstitutional and illegal proceedings. of the children of light ?" The charge is, why are you so sensitive to Mr. Burlingame spends much zealous resistance to the laws of the United States breath in eulogizing the state of Massain Kansas, when you will not allow a law chusetts. We happen to belong to that of the United States to be executed in your very small minority which doubts the good own State? You say that Congress can. taste of this course. Massachusetts has

unconstitutional. We challenge Mr. Burlingame to produce a recorded line of Mr. considered the fugitive slave law of 1850. unconstitutional: So long as Mr. Burlincurious and valuable information. game leaves this challenge unanswered, It is confidently believed that a journal such as the CRITERION cannot fail to have a good effect upon our national literature, and to some estent upon cur national character. It will be found especially valuable in directing the attention of youth to works of real excellence, and encouraging an appreciation for valuable reading, which is being rapidly destroyed by the circulation of superficial and sophistical books. To the reading man the literary intelligence alone must render it very deand commensurate authorities in constitusirable; and to all who wish to promote an improve-Massachusetts, says Mr. Burlingame, tional law. Some things are too absurd ment in taste, the encouragement of merit, and an uncompromising condemnation of vicious style, mock sentiment, and evil principles, such an enterprise cannot-at least, should not-be indifferent To members of Historical, Liveral y and Scientific Societies, Lyceums and Debating Clubs, the prove of peculiar interest, and it is the design of the editors to thoroughly canvass from time to

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acres now in cultivation, and is well adapted to corn, peas, potatoes and cotton. There is a large quantity of fine land yet to clear, the growth on which is pine, oak and hickory and dog-wood .-South of this tract is the Roane Plantation, and adjoining the lowlands mentioned above, containing some two thousand four hundred acres, a small quantity of which is cleared, and a considerable ore yet to clear. On thistract all the buildings and improvements

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