## From California.

We subjoin a variety of extracts which will be read with interest.

The San Francisco Herald of the 4th May has a table showing the arrival and departure of passengers at the port of San Francisco for the month of April, in which it appears that the population has increased 5531 within that month, of which 2450, or nearly one-half, were from China. The same paper says: .

We learn from an authentic source, that the Chinese arriving on the 23d by the Clipper ship Challenge, as well as most others of the immense numbers now about to arrive, are under bonds to serve for limited period, and at a stipulated sum. These coolies are hired in most cases by their own countrymen, or foreign residents of China who will-reap the benefit of their cheap labor, while our own citizens are debarred from the same privilege through the failure of the Senate to pass a law on the subject. Many thousands are now on their way to California, and they will be thrown into every branch of indusrican labor, while American citizens have their tracts.

EXPULSION OF THE CHINESE .- From the correspondence of the Sacramento Union, we learn that the expulsion of the Chinese gold diggers has commenced in the interior. The following is the letter:

MORMON BAR, North Fork, Am. River, Sunday, May 2d, 1852.

Messrs. Editors: The excitement in regard to the Chinese is rapidly extending along the North Fork of the American River, and daily expulsions are taking place. This morning some sixty miles driving off two hundred, quietly removing the tents, strictly respecting their persons and property, except in one instance, when a Celestial seemed inclined to be "obstreperous," his cradle was thrown into the rive. Tee same company intend to proceed en masse to Horse Shoe Bar this afternoon, to concert measures with the miners, there to "start" some four hundred locato accompany the expedition.

The feeling is strong, and anything but evanescent, that self-protection as a first law of na- to their fellow-citizens for the rectitude of their ture must and shall be enforced. Would it not intentions, renew and reassert before the Ameribe well for your city government to take some action on the subject, for you will certainly have by them when, on former accasions, in general a flood of them from above and below you soon. There is but one opinion among the miners in the popular suffrage: regard to the proposed monopolies and importation of Chinese into the mines, and nearly all of the eighty or ninety thousand American miners and the grants of power shown therein ought to are fully determined to submit no longer to have be strictly construed by all the departments and the public lands robbed of their only treasure. down the river.

The citizens of San Francisco have memorialized the Legislature in favor of the Chinese. The

memorial says:

That the emigration of the Chinese to this country is productive of great profit to us, and we believe of great benefit to the mining and agri- thority upon the federal government, directly to cultural interests in our State; that they are a peaceable, industrious and law obeying people; ted for local internal improvements or other State that many of them are merchants and citizens of respectable standing and considerable capital in California; that we believe, from what some of us know who have lived in China, that the reflex action of the gold mines of California, and the system of American free principles of government and trade, witnessed by these people in our midst, will be in the highest degree benefina, lying within thirty-five days distance from protection of persons and property our shores, and nearly as large as our country, tic violence or foreign aggressions. and containing over 250 millions of men of highly civilized habits, of Immense trade and commerce, and capable of indefinite extension and

liberality and generous dealings, will in a few years, under the guidance of our energetic and enterprising countrymen, pass through the golden gates of San Francisco, and the golden hills national bank; that we believe such an institu of California, enriching this State to an extent tion one of deadly hostility to the best interests unconceived now by our living citizens. That if we check or damage this system, just now in its infancy, by establishing ignorant or hasty laws and restrictions, we may injure ourselves to a degree only reparable by years of ceaseless had destroyed by our folly—so common in the affairs of States and of men, and well known in the experience of this California.

From the San Francisco Herald, May 3.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY INDIANS KILLED .- suits. We learn of the killing of nearly one hundred and fifty Indians by a company of citizens of Trinity government from banking institutions is indiscounty, under the command of Sheriff Dixon, recently. It was supposed that these were the Indians who murdered Mr. Anderson a short time since. The following is the account of the lowing the trail. The foot prints of the cattle which the Indians had driven off with them, toin the company, showed unmistakeable signs of books. the path of those whom they were pursuing .-But it was necessary to proceed with great caution in order not to alarm the savages, and ac- mestic institutions of the several States, and that cordingly the party generally laid by during the such states are the sole proper judges of everyday, sending spies ahead and travelling by night. thing appertaining to their own affairs, not pro-On Thursday aftersoon, the 22d ult. the scouts hibited by the constitution; that all effort of the discovered the rancheria in a small valley at the abolition its or others made to induce Congress Trinity river. At midnight the company started | incipient steps in relation thereto, are calculated from their encampment, Capt. Dixon having di- to lead to the most alarming and dangerous convided his force into three parties, so as to come upon the Indians from different quarters, and surround them. When day broke all parties were in the desired position, and on the signal being nency of the Union, and ought not to be counte-

women, and children all shared the same fate; none were spared except one woman and two children, who were brought back prisoners.

The U. S. Con-ul at Acapulco had received intelligence of the loss of the brig "Amphytrite," fitted out by a Mr. Edmonds, at Panama, with 190 passengers and crew. She sailed on the 1st of February last, under the command of Captain Kent. The brig was about 150 tons regis ter, and by the United States laws could only carry 60 passengers. When she was 40 days at sea she was obliged to put into San Carlos, somewhere on the coast of Salvador, for water and provisions. The captain had no money, and had abandoned the vessel. The passengers subscribed among themselves \$800 to fit out the craft.

The propeller Monumental City, was sent from Acapulco to San Juan del Sur, by Mr. Vanderbilt's agent, to take away 800 passengers who were sent forward for the steamship North America. The United States Court would admit the Monumental City to carry 280 passengers-but she took on 580, which, with a crew and sertry by their Chinese masters, to underbid Ame- vants, amounting to nearly a hundred more, so crowded her, that thirteen persons died in six hands tied, and cannot engage their services days; twenty-two were left at Acupulco sick, with any prospect of a performance of their con- and twenty or thirty more purchased tickets on Pacific Mail Steamship Co's. bonts.

### Democratic Platform,

ADOPTED BY THE BALTIMORE CONVENTION.

"Resolved, That the American democracy place their trust in the intelligence, the patrocism, and the discriminating justice of the American peo-

"Resolved, That we regard this as a distinctive feature of our political creed, which we are proud to maintain before the world as the great noral element in a form of government spring-Americans ranged down the river some four ing from and upheld by the popular will; and we contrast it with the creed and of federalism, under whatever name or form, which seeks to palsy the will of the constituent, and conceives no imposture too-monstrous for the popular cre-

"Resolved, therefore, That, entertaining these views the democratic party of this Union, through their delegates assembled in a general convention ted at that place. A band of music is engaged, of the States, coming together in a spirit of concord, of devotion to the doctrines and faith of a free representative government, and appealing can people the declarations of principles avowed convention, they presented their candidates for

1. That the federal government is one of limited powers, derived solely from the constitution agents of government, and that it is inexpendi-Yours, in haste, as I accompany the expedition ent and dangerous to exercise doubtful constitutional powers.

"2. That the constitution does not confer upon the general government the power to commence and carry on a general system of internal improvements.

3 That the constitution does not confer auassume the debts of the several States contracpurposes; nor would such assumption be just and expedient.

"4 That justice and sound policy forbid the federal government to foster one branch of industry to the detriment of another or to cherish the interest of one portion to the injury of another portion of our common country; that every citizen, and every section of the country, has a cial to the enlightening and liberalizing of Asia; right to demand and insist upon and equality of and particularly of the immense Empire of Chi-rights and privileges and complete and ample rotection of persons and property from d

"5. That it is the duty of every branch of the government to enforce and practice the most rigid economy in conducting our public affairs, and that no more revenue ought to be raised That this trade and commerce, by kindness, than is required to defray the necessary expenses of the government and for a gradual but certain

extinction of the public debt. "6. That Congress has no power to charter a of the country, dangerous to our republican institutions and liberties of the people, and calculated to place the business of the country within the control of a concentrated money power, and above the laws and the will of the people; and longings, of wearying desires, of that which we the results of democratic legislation, in this and all other financial measures upon which issues have been made between the two political parties of the country, have demonstrated, to candid and practical men of all parties, their sound-Important News from the Interior. ness, safety and utility in all business pur-

"7. That the separation of the moneys of the pensable for the safety of the funds of the government and the rights of the people.

8". That the liberal principles embodied by Jefferson in the Declaration of Independance, affair: "The company that went in pursuit of and sanctioned in the constitution, which makes the Indians returned to-day, having been absent our the land of liberty and the asylum of the op just a week. They had little difficulty in fol- pressed of every nation have ever been cardinal principles in the democradtic faith; and every attempt to abridge the privilege of becoming citigether with portions of clothing of the deceased; zens and the owners of soil among us ought to which they had found scattered along the way, be resisted with the same spirit which swept and were readily recognized by his son who was the alien and sedition laws from our statute

"9 That Congress has no power under the constitution to interfere with or control the doesse of three mountains on the South Fork of to intefere with questions of slavery or to take sequences; and that all such efforts have an inevitable the tudency to diminish the happiness of the people and endanger the stability and perma nanced by any friend of our political institu-

> Resolved, That the foregoing proposition covers and was intended to embrace the whole subject of the slavery agitation in Congress; and therefore the democratic party of the Union, standing on this national platform, will abide by and adhere to the faithful execution of the acts known as the compromise measures settled by the last Congress, the act for returning fugitives | politicians.

from service, or labor included; which act, being designed to carry out an express provision of the constitution, cannot with fidelity thereto be repealed or so changed as to destroy or impair its efficacy.

Resolved, That the democratic party will resist all attempts at renewing, in Congress or out of it, the agitation on the slavery question, under whatever shape or color the attempt may b-

Resolved, That the proceed of the public lands ought to be sacredly applied to the national objects specified in the constitution; and that we are opposed to any law for the distribution of such proceeds among the States, as alike inexpedient in policy and repugnant to the consti-

"Resolved, That we are decidedly opposed to taking from the President the qualified veto power, by which he is enabled, under restrictions and responsibilities amply sufficient to guard the public interest, to suspend the passage of a bill whose merits cannot secure the approval of two thirds of the Senate and House of Representatives, until the judgement of the people can be obtained thereon, and which has saved the American people from the corrupt and tyrannical domination of the Bank of the United States, and from a corrupting system of general internal improvements.

"Resolved, That the democratic party will faithfully abide by and uphold the principles laid other Southern States. While we may suppose that down in the Kentucky and Virginia resolutions of 1798, and in the report of Mr. Madison to the fancies," let us employ ourselves in good works at Virginia legislature in 1799; that it adopts those principles as constituting one of the main foundations of its political creed, and is resolved to ed in a cherished political purpose, still we prefer to carry them out in their obvious meaning and import.

"Resolved, That the war with Mexico, upon all the principles of patriotism and the laws of nations, was a just and necessary war on our part, in which every American citizen should have shown himself on the side of his country, and neither morally nor physically, by word or deed, have given 'aid and comfort to the enemy."

Resolved That, we r joice at the restoration of friendly relations with our sister Republic of Mexico, and earnestly desire for her all the blessings and prosperity which we enjoy under republican institutions; and we congratulate the American people upon the results of that war, which have so manifestly justified the policy and conduct of the Democratic party, and insured to the United States "indemnity for the past, and se curity for the future."

Resolved, That in view of the condition of popular institutions in the Old World, a high and sacred duty is devolved, with increased responsibility, upon the Democratic party of this country, as the party of the people, to uphold and maintain the rights of every State, and thereby the Union of the States, and to sustain and advance among us constitutional liberty by continuing to resist all monopolies and exclusive legislation for the benefit of the few at the expense of the many, and by a vigilant and constant adherence to those principles and compromises of the Constitution, which are broad enough and strong enough to embrace and uphold the Union as it was, the Union as it is, and the Union as it shall be, in the full expansion of the energies and capacity of this great and progressive people.

The committee to report in relation to the next Democratic Convention reported a series of resolutions, fixing the place at Cincinnati, leaving the time to the Democratical National Committee, and providing that no State should send more than twice as many delegates as their vote in the electoral college. This latter provision was laid upon the table, and the remais ler of the report was adopted.

## Offical.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 20 .- Hendquarters of the Army, Adjutant General's Office, Washington, May 22d, 1852 .- 1. The companies of the fourth regiment of infantry will leave their present stations and proceed, without delay, to Governor's Island, New York, where the regiment will be concentrated preparatory to its de parture for service in the Pacific division. (California and Oregon.) The resiment will proceed to California via Panama, touching at San Diego to receive any instructions that may be sent to that point by the Division Commander assigning the several companies to stations. Should no instructions be found at San Diego, the trans port will then proceed to Benicia. The medical officers now on duty with the regiment will accompany it to the Pacific.

2. Forts Howard and Gratiot, Madison Barracks and Plattsburgh Barracks, will be temporarily abandoned, and the public property not taken with the troops will be placed in charge of the proper officers of the staff. Forts Outario, Niagara, Mackinac, and Brady, will each be of artillery, to be designated by the Colonel.

3. The two companies of the fourth artillery at Fort Johnston, North Carolina, (A and H.) will immediasely proceed-to Fort Columbus, and report to the commander of the regiment.

4. The Quartermaster's Department will furnish the requisite transports for the above move ments; and the commanding officers will notify the Quartermaster when the troops will be ready

5. All absent officers of the fourth infantry now on or detailed for the recruiting service and the Coast Survey, are hereby relieved from extra duty, and they, and also all officers on leave of absence, will join their companies without delay. By command of Major General Scott:

R. JONES, Adjutant General.

THE WHIGS OF TEXAS .- The State Gazette says: The Whig party of Texas may now be considered as organized and ready for action. minority is not so small in numbers or weak in to be Democrats. In their nominations, the Belgium was to be invaded forthwith. party were enabled to pass over nearly all their former chiefs, and yet present an electoral ticket | The Montgomery Advertiser says that Bochsa, who

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### Our Market.

There is no change in the quotations for Cotto since our last—the market has however, been more animated. We quote at 7 1-4 to 9 3-4.

Charleston quotations 8 1-4 to 10 3-4 .- 95 bales, a fancy article, brought 12 cents.

### Counterfeit Detecting.

We were informed by Mr. VANE on Tuesday last, that he will be in Camden next week, for the purpose of teaching his rules for detecting counterfeit and altered bank notes He is now in Columbia where he has taught with success. He placed in our hands certificates from Col. GOODWYN and other gentlemen of that place, which are ample testimony to this fact.

State Affairs. We have just soothed ourselves down from the effects of a political contest of deep interest, and as exciting perhaps, as any in which the State has been engaged. The late Convention, it seems, has put an end to the intestine war. Separate Secession now sleeps in the "tomb of the Capulets," and Co-operation has been handed over to the convenience of Georgia and those States are leisurely "chewing the cud of bitter home. Some one has well said that it is better to wear out than to rust out-and although we have been foilwear ourselves a little in smaller, though useful efforts, rather than be consumed by inglorious corrosion.

There are many matters of internal interest to which we may well turn our attention; for even the optimists among us will hardly suppose that we have reached the point of absolute perfection in all matters whatsoever. We inten 4, therefore, from time to time, to throw out certain hints with the hope that they will attract the attention of wiser heads than our own.

The part that the State should act in promoting popular Education-what can be done for the agricultural, commercial, and manufacturing interests among us,-are subjects most worthy the consideration of the press, of the people, and the government of South Carolina. These open a field in which the harvest is plentiful, but wherein the laborers, heretofore, have been too few. Perhaps political speculation (a prolific and easy theme) has too much excluded from the mind of the country matters of practical utility-each should receive due consideration, and we propose to devote our attention hereafter a little more equally to all.

We would first invite the attention of our readers to the subject of popular education. Our ewn has been recently pointed to that subject by an intelligent correspondent of the "Laucaster Ledger." The theme is very trite, but we are not ashamed to utter the stale truism that a right moral and intellectual culture of the people should be the first object of those who would properly direct the affairs of a Republican Commonwealth. We feel that the sentiment is as common as the language in which it is expressed, and has been repeated for thousands of years-from the days of Aristotle to the time of Calhoun. We doubt if any young aspirant, just stretching his unfledged wing in the genial sunlight of popular favor, ever delivered himself from the stump of the sweet pains of his virgin conception, without announcing with due solemnity of voice and gesture this time-honored but over neglected truth. Of course we will hear it often again, for it is a good chord to strike, and the heart of the people will always vi brate a momentary response. But this is not what we want-we do not desire to have this subject brought forth again and again, to make merely a vain parade, or flourishing effort barren of good fruit. We desire that it shall be pressed home deep into the minds of the sober, reflecting, wise men of the country, that they may revolve the matter seriously, and strike out some plan that will yield us all the benefits of which a good plan is capable.

It seems evident that the present free school system of this State is founded on an erroneous principle. It is manifest that it works out no result of benefits at all proportionate to the means employed; nor are the means employed adequate to the general purpose.

For Year, however, of wearying the patience of our readers by a further continuance of the subject at preseut, we will take a future occasion for the development of these points-hoping in the meantime that some friend of the country, and of the rising generation particularly, may give us the benefit of his thoughts, and so save the public from our lucubrations.

# Adjournment of Congress.

On Monday last the House of Representatives passed a resolution to terminate the present session of Congress on the 16th of August.

## Ballotting Extraordinary.

The Charleston Courier says that the number of balgarrisoned by a company of the fourth regiment lottings at the late Baltimore Convention, being 49, were unprecedented. In 1844, there were only 9 On that occasion, to use the words of the Richmond Whig, north and south, who seek to foist themselves inin Charleston harbor, (C and M.) and the two Mr. Van Buren was the favorite of the majority; but to defeat him the two-thirds rule was adopted. On the first ballot, he received 151, Cass 81. On the second, Van Buren 127, Cass 95. On the 7th ballot, Van Buren 99, Cass 123. On the 8th, Van Buren 104, Cass 114. Polk 44. This was the first time Polk's name was mentioned. The New York and Virginia delegations retired and consulted together-and on the next ballot, Mr. Polk was nominated. In 1848 there were only 4 ballots. On the 1st, Cass 125, Buchanan 55, Woodbury 53. On the 4th, Cass 173, Woodbury 35, Buchanan 33.

From two or three despatches, now in this city, received during the Mexican War from Gen. Pierce, by his superior officers, it would seem that the telegraph is in error in giving him the H-as in them the signature appears as Franklin Pierce, not F. H. Pierce.

The following is said to be Louis Napoleon's pro-This party is in the minority in Texas, but that gramme: 1,800 officers out of 12,000 of the French army are to be displaced, for they are suspected; the personal influence as the statements heretofore French boundary is to be extended to the Rhine; Engmade upon this subject would lead one to believe. land is to be kept quiet by the possession of Egypt and The late conventions at Houston and Tyler, dis- the Nile; Piedmont and Switzerland are to go to Ausclose the whiggery of a good many gentlemen of tria: Mecklenburg and Saxony to Prussia and Turkey talent and great personal worth, who have hith- in Europe, with Constantinople, to Russia. General erto remained silent in politics or were supposed Vailant is said to have admitted to a brother officer that

and a list of delegates to the National Whig leads for Madame Bishop, is "the own half-brother of Convention, composed of able and intelligent Louis Philippe, late King of the French, being the son first victims among the friends of Scott. of Philippe Egalate."

A shilling subscription is to be started, it is said England to raise a fund to be placed at the servi Kossuth and Mazzini

Potatoes are said to be so abundant and low New York market that they cannot be sold for

they cost at Buffalo. The Methodist General Conference, at Boston, have passed a resolution requesting the Bishops to send delegate or delegates to the British General Conference

The cholera has appeared with great virulence among the recruits intended for the army in New Mexico-There had been nine fatal cases and forty more were

The City Council of Baltimore has appropriated \$50, 000 for deepening its harbour.

SHARKS-A party of young gentlemen of this city started yesterday morning at five o'clock on a shark catching excursion in the Harbor, and were fortunate enough between that hour and noon to take three off Castle Pinckney, while feeding on the carcass of a dead horse. One measured nine feet six inches, another nine feet, and the third eight feet. The same party captured a clam cracker of unusually large dimensions Charleston Courier, of Wednesday!

DEATH FROM LIGHTNING .- During the thunder storm that visited our city and neighborhood on Monday afternoon last, four negroes engaged in bringing a fleet of lumber through Wappo Cut, were struck by the electric fluid, two of whom were stunned, while the others were instantly killed by the severity of the shock.

### Later from Europe. ARRIVAL OF THE HERMANN.

BALTIMORE, June

The U. S. Mail Steam Ship Hermann, has as rived at New-York from Southampton, which port she left on the 26th ult. -

THE MARKETS .- In Liverpool Cotton was ing. On Monday, May 24, the transaction comprised seven thousand bales, and on the f lowing day twenty thousand changed hands, at an eigth of a penny advance, in consequence of a demand from speculators having sprung u The Manchester trade had improved. - The fund were firm. Corn was firm aud in some instance had advanced. Flour was more active and ste dy. Floating cargoes of Wheat and Corn were held higher. Messrs. Maxwell's Circular that Flour had advanced 3d, Wheat 1d. Corn 1s. to 1s. 6d. Coffee was active and firm and 25000 bags had been sold. Bengal Ric was worth 44s. There was no Carolina in Mark et. Sugar was steady and firm.

GREAT BRITAIN .- Lord John Russel announ ced himself at a recent meeting as a candidate for the Representation of the City of London, Kossuth's mother and family had arrived in Lon don. It is said that they intend leaving shortly for America.

FRANCE AND THE ALLIED POWERS.—The Em pero.s of Austria and Russia have drawn up a manifesto, which sets forth that the Northern powers will resist any attempt that may be made by Louis Napoleon to found an Imperial Dynasty, inasmuch as they recognize the Bourbon famly as the sole legitimate Dynasty, regarding Napoleon as a temporary Ruler only. They do not, however, object to his becoming elective Emperor, provided he will observe the existing treaties, keep within the present territorial limits, and explain the political doctrines of his government. This coalition, it is said, has caused great chagrin to the Bonapartists. M. Heckolin, who accepted the mission from Napoleon to the Emperor of Russia, had been denied an audience.

Portugal.—The Government is about to revise the tariff on imports.

## Three Days Later.

NEW YORK, June 9 .- The Royal Mail Steamer America arrived at Halifax yesterday from Liverpool, whence she sailed on the 29th alt .-She brings 88 passengers. The Baltie had arrived at Liverpool. Cotton was active. The sales of the week

amounted to 105,000 bales, of which speculators took 23,000, and exporters 16,000 bales. The better qualities had advanced one-sixteenth to one eighth penny. Fair Orleans 6 1-4d; Middling 5 1-4; Fair Upland 5 5-8; Middling

Ex-Governor Jones of Tennessee .- It appears that this worthy gentleman, whose gusty oratory occasionally disturbs the U. S. Senate, is not so anxious of being President or Vice President of the United States, as to be the hangman of all the enemies of the Union! This is the office he sets up his claim to in his recent speech in New York, at the last anniversary of the birth-day of Mr. Clay. We copy from it as

"He said here what he said in the south, and he wished to be known in every portion of the Union, that he had a scorn ineffable, withering and eternal, for those miserable demagogues, to power upon sectionalities. If he had the power he would damn them (politically) so low, that the thunder of the last resurrection could not rouse them.

He would hang, if he had the power, everyman opposed to this Union. Hang them as high as Haman. The office he would seek would be kigh above that of President-that of hangman to such traitors."

Bravo, Mr. Jones! These are fine, fair words. truly; and many a man will read them over with approval. But you are not the best of counsellors, even if you would make, as you say, a great hangman. At this moment you are up to your eyes in an intrigue with the friends of Gen. Scott in order to make yourself Vice President. Who are these friends? Look around you. Why, almost at your side in the Senate sits the northern Scott leader-the man who has declared that there is a "higher law" than the Constitution-that man is Seward. Greely is for Scott with all the ardor of his nature; so are Thaddeus Stevens and Wm. F. Johnston-and so are all men who act with them against the South. Do you know, sir, that but for these men there would have been no Secession party in the South, and really no Abolition party of the North? And yet you are now eager and willing to unite with these men to put into the Presidency a man like Gen. Scott who is the notorious choice of every Northern whig agitator. Sir, when you begin to hang the foes of the Union, you will find the

Pennsylvanian.