

Kossuth's Defense. The following letter, defensive of Kossuth, and unmasking the treason of Gorgey, was written from Pesth, by a correspondent of the London Daily News.

The walls of Buda, the citadel of which overlooks the beautiful City of Pesth, and its transfluvial suburbs, are still in the condition in which they were left by Gorgey, when battered previous to the final assault.

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Ohio Democratic Convention of Slavery. A dispatch to the Pittsburgh papers, dated Columbus, Jan. 29th, gives the following further proceedings of the Democratic State Convention, which lately nominated Reuben Wood, for Governor.

The minority report was rejected by a vote of 174 to 94. The original resolution was adopted almost unanimously.

The baptismal admonition of the Hindoo is as impressive on the bystander as it is beautiful.

OBITUARY. Departed this life Jan. 15, WILLIAM A. KETHUN, of Darlington, in the 15th year of his age.

To Stockholders OF THE S. C. R. R. COMPANY. Office of C. R. R. Co., Charleston Jan 25, 50.

J. & E. DALY, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL BOOT, Shoe, Hat and TRUNK WAREHOUSE, No. 326, KING-STREET, (Sign of the Golden Buck), 2 DOORS NORTH OF GEORGE-STREET, Charleston, S. C.

DRY GOODS In Charleston, South Carolina. C. & E. L. KERRISON, beg to inform the Merchants, who buy for Cash or City Acceptances, that their Stock this Spring will prove worthy of special attention.

HEAD QUARTERS, 4TH REGIMENT, S. C. M. I. OLD FORD, Jan. 26, 1850. The Battalion of the forty-fourth Regiment, S. C. Militia will parade for Drill and Review; the Upper at Sumterville, on Saturday the 16th; the Lower, at Bradford's Mills, in Clarendon, on Saturday, the 23rd day of February next, armed and equipped as the law directs.

Just Received. A FINE ASSORTMENT of East and West India PRESERVES, Jellies, Catsup, Prunes, Olives, Sausages, Sweet Oil, Pickled Sauces, Spices, Lobsters, etc. etc.

THE POLITICAL WORLD. Congress, so far in this session, presents a very strange anomaly. A seeping dread on the part of the Northern members, consequent to the determined position assumed by the South, to press the passage of the Proviso, coupled with the extraordinary methods adopted to press California in to the Union in the guise of a state.

OF THE BOUNDARIES ASSIGNED IN THIS BILL TO THE TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENTS AND NEW STATES AS ABOVE DESIGNATED. 1. California.—"All that part of California beginning at the intersection of the 42nd degree of North latitude with the shore of the Pacific Ocean; thence due East with the said parallel of latitude to the 116th degree of West longitude; until it shall strike the boundary line established between the United States and Mexico, by the treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo; thence by and with the said boundary line to the shore of the Pacific Ocean; thence Northerly by and with the said shore to the place of beginning, extending one marine league into the sea from the Southern to the Northern boundary aforesaid and including all the harbors, bays and islands adjacent to the said shore, shall form a separate Territory, to be known and called the Territory of California, provided that nothing in this act shall be construed to inhibit the Government of the United States from dividing said Territory into two or more Territories in such manner and at such times as Congress shall deem convenient and proper; or from attaching any portion of said Territory to any other State or Territory of the United States."