The Movements of the President Elect.

Some of the newspapers are filled with accounts of the movements of the President elect, and every little incident is noted and commanted upon with a degree of particularity that savers much of the fulsomness and flattery with which European journals record the movements of royalty. No man, probably, laughs more at this sycophancy than Col. Polk himself. A few incidents of an amusing character occurred, on the way to Washington city, which we copy.

A Scene at Guyandot. - Among others, came the old Postmaster, who made up to the President in a very open and frank manner, offering his hand, which Col. Polk very politely received. Says the old man, addressing him, "Governor Polk, I am glad to see you, although I voted against you. I have been 26 years Postmaster at Guyandot. I sinned once, and Amos Kendall turned me out; I repented and was restored to my office. I now hold it, or shall soon do so, at your good pleasure, and am ready | Bidlack of the House of Representatives, and to yield it whenever required."

The President replied, that he considered the right of every man to his own opinions, honestly formed, and to think for himself, a sacred right, and therefore thought none the less of him for having voted against him; and he was ready to believe the office of Postmaster at Guyandot was in very safe hands. "But as the office of President, as well as that of Postmaster, was created by the people for their own convenience, and not for you and me, who may happen to fill them, we alone are responsible to the people, about to expire. under the Constitution, for the faithful manner in which we discharge our duties." This speech, delivered by the President, seemed to strike the old Postmaster with great force. "Governor, give me your hand; them's my ecutiments; and I believe in my soul if I had only seen you five minutes before the election I ly joined.

The old man left, expressing much satisfaction at finding the President "such a confounan, as the mountain folks call the town, the Judge. 'Gretna Green' between the States of Virginia and Kentucky.

They entered the cabin in Indian file, kept their hats on, which cast a shadow over their timid but healthy and honest looking faces. The foremost of the lot plucked up courage en aigh to approach the President, who met him more than half way, with as much ease and grace as if his visitor had been a Prince. The poor tellow was so much embarrassed, that he wholly forgot to take off his hat, which remained as fast to his head as though it had grown there. On seeing this man with his hat on, while the President was bowing to him, bare-headed, the rest of his companions cried out," Take off your hat,-"pull off your hat," which had no other effect than still further to bewilder the poor man, who, abruptly quitted the President, made a precipitate retreat out of the cabin, while his dressed by him. A little girl was led on board six-pence, for which the government demands and conducted into the saloon to see Mrs. Polk. double and treble price, it can hardly be expec. Justices of adjoining States, was then taken up 7 or 8 years old, and the other ten or twelve. should urge strongly its passage the present ses-The latter said they were democratic boys, and sion. The interest of the people, as well as the called to see the President. The Colonel ob- Post-office Department itself, requires it. The their desire to see him, walked down to the ca- is the great obstacle in the way. The members of bin and affectionately took each by the hand, in- the British Parliament, and even the Queen herquired kindly after their friends, and their place self yielded this privilege, in order to give the of residence, and whether they went to school. The boys looked up at him very archly, as that an American Congress is less magnanimous though the President of the United States was or less patriotic! The people desire it, and it is not something besides a man. They evidently seemed to think it not impossible that they were imposed upon. The kind and civil manner in which the President approached them had the effect to put them quite at case with themselves, when they proceeded to answer his questions with some words of advice and encouragement; Such small incidents show his amiable feelings and bearing.

The President looks remarkably well-appearing in good health and fine spirits. He is dressed in a suit of black broadcloth, and wears | prescriptive right to all the offices, will be much a black cloth cloak with velvet collar. He, in receiving the congratulations and cheers of the people, does so uniformly bareheaded, even on this piercing cold day, for hours together. I cannot see how he stands it, for my ears, even with head covered and coat collar closely rused around my neck, became as cold as icicles.

I first saw Mrs. Polk standing in the centre of the ladies saloon. She had on a purple silk velvet hat, trimmed with satin ribbon, striped with broad reddish purple stripes, and two narrower stripes, black and white, running in parallel lines with it. She had on a large black silk velvet clock, with large cape, bordered with fringe and tassels. She had in her hand a rich bouquet of flowers, and was engaged in animuted and easy conversation with a circle of gentlemen, who had gathered round her.

A Boy OF EIGHT YEARS DRUNK AND DEAD !-We learn by the Jesrey City Advertiser that causing convulsions, and exposure.



THE AMERICAN.

Saturday, Frb. 22, 1845.

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New York.

We are indebted to the Hon. James Buchanan of the Senate, and to Messrs. Pollock and Messrs. Horton and Bright, of the Legislature for documents.

The following nominations for Associate Judges, were sent to the Senate for confirma-

Jonah Brewster for the county of Tioga. Strange N. Palmer for the county of Schuylkill Samuel C. Bonham for the county of York. John C. Bucher for the county of Dauphin. Jno. Montelius for the county of Union, in the room of Geo. Schnabel, whose term of office is

DJ Jour Montelius has been appointed Associate Judge for Union county, in place of Hon. Geo. Schnabel, whose term of office will expire on the 27th inst. The appointment of Mr. Montelins was entirely unexpected to him, as he was no applicant. The appointment was conferred upon him by Gov. Shunk, as a reward for the pashould have given you my vote." This caused triotic stand he took during the Buckshot war, a general laugh, in which the President cordial- at Harrisburg, in 1839, when Messrs. Butler, Sturdevant and himself left Thaddeus Stevens' Rump House and came into the Legislature, as organized by the democrats, and thus restored ded clever man," as he termed it. He was soon order and preserved the peace and safety of the followed by others, rather awkward-looking and | Commonwealth. Mr. Montelius has always uncouthly dressed, hardy mountaineers, who sustained the reputation of an honest man, and seemed as though they had just arrived in Guy- will, no doubt, make a faithful and impartial

> Judge Schnabel, who retires from the Bench, leaves it with a reputation that he may well be proud of. There are few Judges in Pennsylvania who have given more general satisfaction to all parties, and we know that his loss, from a station which he so ably filled, will be generally regretted, as it will not be easily supplied.

THE POST OFFICE BILL, recently passed in the Senate, has been reported back by the House, with a recommendation that the bill heretofore reported by the committee of the House, should be substituted. It is to be regretted that the House, which professes to be the peculiarly democratic branch of the government, should pay so little attention to the wants and earnest petitions of the people. The bill reported by the House will never satisfy them, and if it ever did it would dered to be transcribed for a third. fail in accomplishing the object of its friends. Government can never expect to put down primore assured companions set up a general twittent the same facilities, unless at an exorbitant rate. ter. The latter were then approached by the The two cannot flourish together, and as long as President, and each one in his turn kindly ad- private companies are willing to carry letters at These presentations being over, I observed two ted that the people will not encourage private enfat, round, chubby-faced mountain boys, dressed terprise. The friends of this important measure, in warm, homespun jeans. One appeared to be one of the most important before Congress. serving them at a distance, and guessing at abolition of the franking privilege, we presume. English nation a cheap postage. Is it possible the duty of Congress to give the measure at least a trial. If they are disappointed now, they will take care to remember hereafter, those who attempt to thwart them in their purposes in order to save themselves from a small pecuniary sa-

the boys left, much pleased with the man who the composition of President Polk's Cabinet, furhad spoken to them, but apparently not fully as- ther than Col. Butler of Kentucky will be apsured whether they had seen the President, pointed Secretary of War. Probably there never was a President since the days of Washington, that came into power more free and untrammeled than will Mr. Polk. Office hunting politicians, especially those who think they have a disappointed. Mr. Polk has thus far pursued a course that has met the approbation of all honorable and independent men. In regard to the cabinet appointments, the Nashville Union, a kind of semi-official authority, speaking of the difficulties that Mr Polk will encounter, says :

"In this condition of things, we should suppose that the course pursued in the late Baltimore Convention will occur to the President as furnishing to him the safest precedent. The deliberations of that body were scriously disturbed by the conflicting partialities of its delegates for different aspirants. The only remedy for this state of things was found in setting aside all the names of those supposed to be aspirants, and in selecting a man in respect to whom all could harmonize. The wisdom of the Baltimore Convention has been illustrated in the result of

at Cuba, and great excitement against the Eng. a society formed by himself, some time ago, for lish. Five thousand muskets were discovered secreted in the mines. The English are only without distinction to religious creed. He has Martin O Dannel, a lad of only eight years, died | waiting an opportunity to obtrude their assis- also left handsome legacies to his clerks and sersuddenly on Sanday morning in consequence of tance, with a view of obtaining and eventually being excessively intoxicated the day previous, holding on to the permanent possession of the is-

HARRISBURG, Feb. 18, 1845. DF LEGISLATIVE NEWS .- In the House, on the 13th, the bill for the prevention of riots occupied considerable time, and was finally passed on an amendment, confining its provisions to the City and County of Philadelphia.

In the Senate, the bill to change the seat of Justice of Columbia county, from Danville to Bloomsburg, was discussed till adjournment After dinner it was again taken up, and debated till adjournment again. The bill puts the question to a vote of the people.

The State Treasurer furnished the following statment of the expenses of the Legislature, since 1824. The expenses in 1839, it will be seen, were swelled to \$261,000. This year, we presume, they will not exceed \$100,000, which is

Amount of Expense
83472 12
84856 66
91244 43
108268 73
107037 14
100231 73
89976 00
107327 02
96666 55
110646 72
108122 33
134000 31
142588 61
166079 70
261044 84
196472 28
150673 92
176668 73
140046 10
1139/2.51
t, 22527 98
\$2,592,943 47

Mr. Gibbons offered a resolution, which was adopted, instructing the Committee on Internal Improvements to inquire into the expediency of introducing section boats, of sixty tons burthen on the main line of our public improvements, and of establishing by law such a tariff of tolls as will secure to the main line the trade which is driven from it by the rates of toll now charged. It is contended, and we believe it is a fact, that the present high rates of toll have already diverted much of the trade into other channels. Other resolutions were adopted, calling upon the Canal Board for information as to the amount of tol's received at Northumberland, and the cost of transporting empty section boats and cars from Johnstown to Hollidaysburg.

The amendments of the House, to the bill regulating election districts, were taken up and concurred in, with a further amendment; when the amendments to the bill for the repeal of the Stay law coming up, the amendment of the House, fixing January next as the time for the bill to take effect, was modified, on motion of Mr. Sullivan, by inserting September, and a new section added, repealing so much of the act of 25th April, 1844, as authorizes the continuance of the District Court for one year, in the county

The Senate then resumed the consideration of the bill for the removal of the seat of Justice of Columbia county, which, after much debate and amendment, passed second reading, and was or-

The bill relative to bail and attachments, requiring bail absolute for costs in cases of appeals and for debt, interests, and costs on stay of exe cutions, passed second reading and was ordered to be transcribed.

The bill extending the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace to demands founded on judgments of and passed finally.

Mr. Horton, on the 15th, in the Senate, reported a bill to amend the Militia Laws.

In the House, Mr. Cooper offered a Joint resolution providing for an amendment to the Constitution, to elect members of the Assembly for two years and Senators for four, and that the legislature hold its sessions once in two years. This, of course, wont pass.

Mr. Burnside presented a petition, signed by law. The ladies of Milton are great on Tea and Temperance. We fear, however, their prayers will all be in vain, notwithstanding the number of bachelors in the Legislature, who are always ready to listen to the petitions and solicitations of ladies upon any subject but that of matrimony

BF CARINET MARING .- The following is among the last rumors : Secretary of State, Mr. Buchan-There is nothing yet known in relation to an : Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Bancroft ; Secretary of War, Gov. Marcey; Secretary of the Navy, Mr. Mason; Postmaster General, Mr. Saunders, and Attorney General, Mr. Walker.

> OF A new plan for taking the 'yeas' and mays' in deliberative bodies, has been invented by means of keys and wires, commencing from the members desks' to the clerks table.

> The recent snow storm, no doubt spoiled goodly number of pleasant arrangements. Among the disappointments occasioned by the rather sudden and Amplete interruption to the travel between New York and Philadelphia, was

> "A DISAPPOINTMENT .-- A wedding party was all ready on Wednesday evening to welcome a bridegroom from New York. He was due the night before, and is still non inventus."

WEALTH .- Some of the Bankers of Europe possess almost boundless wealth. The Rothschilds are said to be worth several hundred millions. Mr. Solomon Heine, a Jewish Banker, recently died at Hamburg immensely rich. He left by his will the large sum of 3,427,-UF CUBA - Symptoms of insurrection existed | 000f. to different charitable establishments, and loans without interest to industrious workmen, vants, and 3 500,000f. to his three sons-in-law. The remainder of the property, which comes to the son, is valued at fifteen millions of francs.

## Tax on Personal and Real Estate.

The Philadelphia Ledger says, we have compiled from official papers the following tabular state ment of the assessed valuation of all property, trades, professions, &c., made taxable for State purposes, the amount of tax assessed, the amount received at the State Treasury, the an ount outstanding, together with the amount of appropriations to Common Schools, from January 1st., 1841, to December 31st, 1844 :-

AND RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF T						Valuation.	Tax Assess'd	Received.	Outstanding	priations.
Adams,						\$4,796,836	\$30.205	\$16603	\$13602	\$20836
Allegheny,		*			- 1	15,910,504	101.994	83350	18613	67424
Armstrong,	*		140		-	1,633,743	12.353	3303	9019	17718
Beaver, .		*			i	4,633,743	30.221	22507	7414	25292
Bedford,	*					3,280,982	21 409	10557	10851	25714
Berks, -					- 1	19,386,001	134.678	90473	44203	53874
Bradford,	9.		*		- ×	3,793,957	20.868	15731	5136	24632
Bucks, -		*		*		12,467,165	118.512	63986	54525	43800
Butler,			*		- 8	2,557,900	15.763	5639	10125	21154
Cambria,		*				752,316	5.333	1999	9337	9974
arbon,	*				-	1,292,885	5.814	1000000	5844	1947
Centre, .		•			- 1	5.265,870	32.570	12961	19608	18446
hester,			000		- 8	19,180,786	137.151	50483	56667	50912
larion,		+		(40)		1,332,939	8.223	4774	2447	9432
learfield,						683,881	5.537	1565	3972	7816
linton,		¥.				1,676,657	9.854	4548	5306	7177
columbia,	*		œ		- *	4,268,595	29.497	12613	16883	20406
rawford,		*				2.820,066	17.445	8367	9077	26264
Dauphin.			20		- 4	7,881,816	52.498	38092	14405	2501
)elaware,					- 1	7,497,466	48.719	45059	3659	16778
rie.						3.810.408	23,486	8395	15090	27340
ayette,				*		4,800,835	30.602	19050	11551	26636
ranklin.					- 1	12,041.832	74.143	36891	37251	\$241
reene.						2,074,286	13.791	8797	4991	18918
luntingdon,						9,447,597	59.186	20989	24176	3162
ndiana.					25	2,331,249	14.859	7861	6997	17578
efferson,					-	1,003,399	5,510	2073	3437	603
uniata.				7.62		2,352,256	15.865	5870	9995	10123
ancaster,					-	21,759,930	191,271	149348	41922	74066
ebanon,			.00		- 8	8,734,890	53 107	20993	32113	19601
ehigh.						11,819,445	61.745	42945	18800	25356
uzerne,	-					4,017,247	31.703	9734	21968	2998
veoming,					-	3,236,805	CO-000-1-00-11	6602	22042	1924
McKean,		-		2	- 1	3.136,628		14255	77.000.00	2729
Mifflin.		200		- 2		2,521,831	25,370	4752	20613	1250
Monroe,	- 2		- 5			1,679,961	10.125	3919	6206	861
Montgemery		7		-		15,299,588	123.634	70017	53917	
Vorthampton		12			-1	13,234,211	83.985	42301	41681	4547
Vorthumberl		, i	-	-		4,100,158	0.000	10661	21874	3294
Perry,	49.581	90	10		- 17	5,260,780	1/0/03/05/05/05	9104	19290	1 84
Philadelphia.						119,101,037	993.665	720071	2:1591	1521
Pike.	0				-	847,515	4.553	976		21409
Potter.									1289	1/29
			•	17		725,918	2,766	1477		291
Schuylkill,				*		6,690,699	0.000	21173	17869	2615
Somerset, Sosquebanna	(4)					2,680,366		7867	7926	1008
	1	***		•		2.658,813		5341	87.000	1708
Tioga,						1.485,285		5295		1369
Inion,						6.059.567	39.796	6182	93614 7088	1905
Venango,	2.9					1,111,910		3305		1275
Warren,		190		*		929,617		3267	2763	816
Vashington,			*		- 0	7,594-431	No. of the last of	35358		3 00
Vayne,				*		1,238,425	- COM-12-CO	2741	4848	979
Westmorelar	id,		*		1.0	5,635,687		17105		3583
Wyoming,		(9)				0.000.000	3.935	1631	7.0000000000000000000000000000000000000	345
York,	(+)					9,619,830		47015	18436	4740
Torat.			*			\$128,083,470	\$3,124,537	\$1,943,935	\$1,180,602	\$1,486.98

The tax outstanding exhibits the gross amount, and is subject to exhonorations and commissions to collectors and county treasurers, for four years. It was found impossible, from the imperfect reports of county auditors, to show the net amount of this item; but from the best data which can collected, it would seem that about 8 per centum of the amount of tax assessed is a fair average of the allowances to be made for its collection. Assuming this to be correct, the net amount outstanding on the 1st day of January, 1845, was \$9:0.639 16, embracing, of course, the balance unpaid of the assessment for the year 1841. From the 1st to the 25th inst., both inclusive, there have been received at the State Treasury, on account of State tax, amounts from the several counties reducing the outstanding tax, on the 25th January, 1845, to the net amount of \$744.841 89. Some counties, it will be seen, have paid up nearly in full, while others are sadly deficient. many the amount received from the State for School appropriations is greater than the taxes paid

NEW COUNTIES .- There are now before the State Legislature applications for ten new counties in Pennsylvania.

RIGHT .- We learn that it is the intention of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company to gradually substitute Iron Bridges, in place of the present wooden superstructures.

154 ladies of Milton, for a change in the license drop of liquor of any kind has appeared on our nished funds to construct an engine-it was the table since leaving Cincinnati,"

> BISHOP ONDERDONK .- The report of the Standing Committee of Bishop Onderdonk's diocese. man and Guilian C. Verplanck-and the decision or order; and that the Standing Committee, under the suspension, has become the regularly constituted ecclesiastical authority of the Dio-

to settle, or at least keep alive, the question.

Igon.-There are several iron works in Pennsylvania which turn out a very fine article of railroad iron, one establishment furnishing one hundred and twenty-five tons a week of H and T rails. They furnish this species at \$50 per one which is thus mentioned in the Philadelphia ton-about \$15 more than the price of the English article.

the fact, savs :-

"But there have been not a few observers shrewd and interested enough to notice particularly, that saws of all sorts, from the largest circular to the smallest web, are especially mentioned among the leading articles of manufacture, great and successful efforts that are made to rival us in this important class of articles by the manufacturers of the U. States."

CHINA MISSION -Seventy thousand dollars, it is said, will be about the cost of the China mis-

The First Locomotive. About forty years ago, a poor, but honest and

industrious man worked at a steam engine in a colliery belonging to Lord Ravensworth, near to Newcastle-upon-Tyne. He had an inventive genius and untiring application. He devoted by merits. himself to the fulfilment of his task. His intervals were devoted to the improvement of the Treasury, there are numerous aspirants, back-MR. POLE'S RESPECT FOR THE SABEATH .- mechanical business under his control. Those by legions of friends, who are bold in thrusting On leaving Cincinnati, Mr. Polk remarked that intervals were short, for he frequently rose at their views upon other people's attention he intended to spend the following Sabbath in one o'clock in the morning, for the purpose of most assiduous in singing prans to the morits Wheeling ; for, said he, bit will neither comport commencing his accustomed task. But he per- their candidates. In addition to those named in with my convenience, nor inclination, to travel, severed, and success attended his efforts. Ma. a former letter, Governor Marcy, of New Yor or to receive company, on that day." At Whee- ny and important improvements were made to and Mr. Bancroft, of Massachusetts, are much ling a crowd assembled about the hotel, and were his engine, but, as yet, they brought him no spoken of. They are both on the ground, and the urgent to see Mr. P., but he sent them word that mitigation of his constant toil. At length an latter probably at the request of Mr. Polk, if pit was not convenient for him to see them on that idea gleamed in upon the uninstructed mind of with the view to appointment, certainly wi day, (Sunday) but that he would see them on the this laborious man : "What if this mighty sta- that of conference. Attempts are making to give tionary wizard could be made to move !" The Mr. Robert Rantoul, the rejected Collector Good Example - The western correspondent thought startled him at first with its wild image. of the Journal of Commerce says-"The Presi, but it soon took the shape of reality. Still no dent is very temperate in all things. I have not step could be taken without money, and he was seen him taste a drop of any thing since he has poor-Time rolled on. The mighty workings been on his lourney, but cold water. His exam- of genius were triumphant. Lord Ravensple has had a great effect on this boat, for not a worth, the owner of Killingworth colliery, furfirst locomotive engine that was ever builtand in honor of the noble individual who had so from adjoining States, which voted for Mr. Clanobly used his wealth, was called "My Lord," and such a course would be bestowing an undu has been published in a pamphlet. The commit. This was 32 years ago. The great achieve- influence upon the West. From what I can gleatee consists of Chief Justice Jones. Murry Hoff. ment of the age was accomplished; and now of reason amongst those surrounding mists, an burst forth the stupendous intellect which had gather of the desires and prospects of those in is that Bishop O. is still a Bishop-that he has been for years groping in the gloom of a coal- terested, it strikes me that the Johnson interce not been degraded or deposed from his Diocese, pit. After laying down various railroads, and will eventually succeed for the Cabinet, and Col completely establishing the practicability of his Sutler be chosen for the mission to Mexico. This invention, he was sent for to plan the line of the however, is only surmise, based upon plausible Manchester and Liverpool railroad. He then premises. pledged himself to obtain a speed of ten miles TEXAS .- The Charleston Mercury suggests an hour; and although he felt conscious that that in case the Texas Resolutions should be de there was no limit to the velocity of his engine, feated in the Senate, the President elect should yet he was afraid to avow it. It was a hard immediately call an Extra Session of Congress matter for him to keep it down to that, but he said it had to be done. It now became necessary for him to apply to Parliament for a char-American Saws are sold in Sheffield, England, a part of the fame of his country -- his as imper- ceive that he would object to a beneficial transunder the noses of the manufactures of that ishable as her's .- Step by step he has risen for, or hesitate to make a good bargain for the country. The Sheffield Mercury, speaking of from the obscurity of his station, and by the vi- unprofitable glory of writing politics with the gor of his intellect conferred immortal honor link of poverty. upon the name of George Stephens.

ten miles from Hilsborough, and fifty-five South lay positive action for his advice upon the Cabof St. Louis, a cavern has been struck, thirty feet | inet. thus corroborating the correctness of the state- wide, with a strata on both sides, one to four feet ments we have often incidentally made as to the thick, of pure galena. The cavern appeared to and one of Mr. Polk's most confidential intimates, be one hundred feet in length. Perhaps this is has arrived. He is beset on all hands, and is talkthe richest vein of lead ever before discovered

> The Legislature of Indiana have passed an act providing for the taking of a new census of the 15th of June next.

## WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENCE.

From the Phil. Ledger.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16, 1845. Our political circles continue to be agitated by the apprehensions and hopes of those who either expect or desire to exercise a controlling influence during the next four years, and public anxiety appears to increase, just in the ratio that the Presidential oracle inclines to prudence and reserve. Mr. Polk is still uncommitted as to a single Cabinet appointment, notwithstanding the ingenious efforts of the most skilful tacticians to elicit something of a positive or tangible construction.

Since the foundation of the Government, there has never been manifested, perhaps, so remarkable a degree of caution in State affairs as Mr. Polk has exercised throughout; and if any man has been trusted or councelled with as to the organization of the Cabinet, he certainly deserves to be canonized as the political Harpocrates of this age-for no such example is to be found in the whole history of our Republic. Heretofore State secrets escaped in some way, through the confidential depositories, whether by leakage o otherwise, remains yet to be ascertained; bu they did certainly take wings and circulatthrough the political atmosphere. Now, ever thing is tight as the centre of a stone is solid and as confused and conjectural as chaos itself To those who enjoy the most intimate confidencand intercourse with Mr. Polk he has not revealed one syllable of his purposes, and they who lour neved with him from Tennessue are as ignoran upon the construction of the administration a we are who have been speculating ever since the result of the election. This will furnish an ide of the vast confusion that prevails, and of the at thenticity of the reports that will be spread wit complaisant solemnity and assurance.

If Mr. Polk has arrived at any determination as to his Cabinet, those who are most likely t fill seats, who attract most of public attention and are regarded as the friends of the party, at entirely uninformed of the fact, and in this ye may vely with the most implicit confidence.

In this strange maze and doubt. I am unable present any thing definite concerning the ne-Cabinet. For the State Department, there ar but two leading and contending interests, M Walker and Mr. Euchanan, and the only seriou difficulty to the choice of the latter, consists : his unequivocal adhesion to a Tariff policy, high er than is acceptable to Mr. Polk personally, c than would be countenanced in his Executive r

Mr. Woodbury's friends are pressing him wit some zeal, too, for this appointment, and there a prevailing opinion that he would accept it the Treasury without hesitation. My impression is, however, that Mr. Polk will avoid any selec tions from among those who have been connected with former administrations, and will proceed to construct a government of new and vigo rous materials, and, very probably, of a far differ ent character from that generally credited by th public. As to all this matter, the mind of th President is unsettled, and will be balanced on

For the second post in the Administration, the flosten, some consequence as a competitor fore Cabinet nomination, but his pretentions, who compared with others, are so inconsiderable, the they may not be considered in any serious ligh If the East is connected with the administratioit will be most likely in the person of Mr. Wook bury or Mr. Bancroft.

I can't well see how Col. Butler and Cav Johnson can both go into the Cabinet. They are

The nomination of Mr. Adams for the India-Agency of Michigan, was laid upon the table : the last Executive session of the Senate, which tantamount to a rejection.

The rumor of the day is that the Madisonia will be selected as the organ of Mr. Polk, and b. placed under the superintendence of Mr. Harris late of the Union, and other competent persons ter-and he was deputed to appear before a com- to the exclusion of the present editor. I am aware mittee. One of them thought he was mad; o that Mr. John Jones has denied the reports in thers that he was a foreigner. But he was de- this respect on several occasions, but he has left termined to succeed, and genius and perseve- quite room enough still for an arrangement of rance triumphed over incredulous and purse- this sort, and as his paper has chiefly relied for proud stupidity. Each succeeding year wit- its support upon Government patronage and the nessed new triumphs, until his tame had become involuntary tribute of officials, I can hardly con-

Letters have been received to-day stating that Gen. Cass will reach here on Tuesday, and it is A CAVERN.-In Jefferson county, Missouri, intimated in consequence, that Mr. Polk will de-

> Gen. Armstrong, the Postmaster at Nashville, ed of for every good office in the gift of the Pre-

RUMOR .- It is rumored that Mr. Gardner, the population of that State between this and the President's brother-in law, is to marry the President's daughter.