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 With Seymour $\underset{\substack{\text { as } \\ \text { Then }}}{\text { President-What }}$ "T're tried him drunk," said the unfortunate James of his German cousin, and I ve tried
him sober, and drunk or sober there is no-
thing in him." And the same verdiot whioh thing in him." And the same veraiot whion
Was pronounced against Prineo George onn be
to-day uttered against the two men who olaim the suffrage of the Demooration party for the
high offices of President and Vice-President of high offices In peace, and we have tried him in war, and
in peace or war there is nothing in him. It is ourions to take the eases of great men far-
nishod us by the opposition nominees, and find out, if possible, what they have done to merit the title. What in the whole course of
his life, from infancy to the present time, has
Horatio Seymour done to merit the name of Horatio Seymour done to merit the name of
great Y Yet we read in half of the papars of
the country that Seymour is a "great statesman." He has held no national oftive. All
his elections have only been wrighed in
the seales of a State fame. Then we all know how frequently it happens that the
great man of the village is the non-
entity of the eity, the cypher when he risee above the dull level of medioority. From
his action, when Canal Commissioner of New York, or Governor of that Commonwealth,
oan we jugge him to be possessed of "one of the few immortal names whioh were not born
to die ?" Is his name associated with any
great enterprise? Did he, like Thaddeus Stevens, link his name with a great social im-
provement f Will he, like De Witc Clinton,
have a great conquest over niture ain ciated with his memory? Or like his follow-
oitizen, Fulton, will every wave ripled oitizen, Fulton, will every wave rippled
by a vast invention, attest a lasting evidence
of his greatness? We can safely answer, no. He has neverer, in peace or in war, done anght to lead us to suppose that were he President
he would beanything bat a tool of politicians in peace, and a timia old man in case of war.
As a rewara for past services, he cannot clain
te position. As a man of transcendent merit, capable of great things, he cannot olaim the
position. Neither for exhibited or latent qualities can he ask from the people of the
United States the highest gift in their pos a great man, for nore can say of him that
"the world formed a high estimation of his not judged him by what he did." He is
nothing but an exceedingly genial gentleman-politician-a man who will do anything for
popularity. His views on finances, and his action in acoepting the nominstion on a plat
form the reverse of his profession prove th
 What fe urful fate might not be in store for
our nation, by this waverer, this man without
decided countenance or personal firmness phould he become President of the United
States. The ship of state would drift, with no one to guide the helm, and the wreck woald
be certain, with traitors to take the rudder from the nerpoas haud of the Prestient. Aud
who can dobth but that from his handit it
would be taken. We feel no donbt as to who Would be his advisers. Vallandigham nomi-
nated him for his place; to him must be as-
corded the first post. Clement L. Vallandig. ham, Secretary of State. Are the people preof War, and Cobb of the Treasury, and Jeremish S. Black Attorney-General. Nor oan we blame
Mr. Seymour for so aeting. If he be cected should he not place these men in office. The
issue is qquarely made up. On one side stand
his friends, the Rebels and their sympathizers. his friends, the Rebels and their sympathizers.
On the other, the loyal element. If the peo-
ple decide in favor of the first, who blames the ple deoide in favor of the first, who blames the
new President, if he follows the diotates of the people, and puts the Rebels in office. From
Mr. Seymour's oharaoter we feel sure that the Yesults we have marked out will take place.
Rebels will flaunt in the White House, aud the powers of the Government be wielded
solely in the interest of those who do not even
pretend to do anght but tura to force, and pretend to do anght but turn to force, and
who glory in asserting that it is only lack of
opportunity that prevents them from inviting opportuntty that

The Nicaragua Treaty Tag treaty made with Nicaragua, and recently
officially promalgated, gives to the Government of this country a right to grant efficiont
proteotion to transit routes over the Nieara. proteotion
goan teritory, and aloo affords to Amerioans
all the immunities and privileges which could justly be elaimed by any persons residing in a
foreign State. One of the natural results of the treaty, therefore, will be to haston the
construction of a new railway link between construction of a new ralway link between one time it was sapposed that a line could be found in Nicaragus for the favorite
projeot of a ship canal, and several surveys were made to gain aconrate informa-
tion on the subject. It does not seom to b tion on the subject. It does not seom to ba
absolutely imposible to construt such a
canal in Nicaragua; but the line would ba nearly two hundred miles long, numerous loaks would be neoessary, and expensive
harbor improvements would be requisite: yast it is beliered by thoas who bare moat

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