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 THURSDAY, NOVEMBER $11,1869$. Hos. HON, ROBERT J. WALKERR. corded in another column, and whose publ
caraer is sketched at length elsewhere
was in nome respects the most able man ev born in Pennsylvania, Ho possessod
markable degree of the statesmanlike s city which is one of the ratest attributes in
this nation of politicians. At an early period
of his ilio he departed from the usuml line of
emigration by seaking anow home in Niessis emigration by seeking a now home in Missis-
sippi, and speedily established a reputation
thero which secoured his admission to
the national arena that was best fitted for the display of his talents.
ber of th ber of the United States Senate, at a tims
when it was filled with intellectual giants, he
strengthened and confirmed his reputation, and during the last quarter of a century he
exercised a marked and, in some coses exercised a marked and, in some cases, a
controlling influence upon many important
national events. In the Democratic National
Convention of 1844 he was the prime mover in enforcing the two-third rule, which,
by defeating Van Burens nomination, gave
a new direction to the whole policy of the country, and as Mr. Polk's Secretary of th
Treasury he was the author of the tariff 1846, which gave such deep offense to his
native State, and laid the foundation of many important political changes.
Ieading Presidential contest. his pen obtained a wide circulation, and ex-
erted a greater influence than any other docu-
ments of contemporaneogus issue. Ho rendered

 Lecompton movement, which finally resulted and the triumph of the Republican organiz
tion. With the latter Robert J. Walker wain
never in full sympathy although he aide th cause of the nation during the war. He was
aevotelly attached to the Democratio party,
but one of his great aims was to purify that
party of Southern set and he was a deadly yantagonist of J Seff. Davis,
and on he had opposed in Mississipi ns well
wa on a broader arena. Intellectually, Robert
as great national cases, he possessed wonderiful
astutenesss a a a a statesman his perceptions
were remarkably gineered some of the most dinticult and im-
portant movements ever made in this coun-
try and as a controversial writer on political
questions he sarpassed all his contemporarics. THE SCHOOLS FOR FRELEDMEN.
Onz of the most iniquitous features of the
American system of slavery was the prohibi-
tion of education by severe penalties. Some of the slaves of ancient nations ware the most
intelligent and laarned mon of their day, but
our Southern taskmasters, not satisfied with our Sou
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died ments of learning except by stealth or as an
eapecial and unusual favor. A Maryland
negro, now more than eighty years of age, who manifests much interest in the froed.
men's shools of that State, was reoonly
notked if ho had any learning himself, to which
he replied, "Only what I got behind de plow. naked if ho had any learning himself, to which
he replied, "Only what I got behind de plow-
tail-stole it like." When he was asked,
"How was that, uncle?" he replied, "Why, when children gwine to school, 1 goos up to
de fonce, get little lesson from dem in
do book- give chlite hen egg for it, you see."
Thus, while all the civilized world was striv. ing to make education universal, and while
some of tho most despoticocuntries of Europe
were making it compulsory, no pains were spared to stamp out every spark of intelli.
gence among the Southorn negroes. It is no wonder, under
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of these schools more than one million of
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six monthe six monthh, not quite half of this aum boing
obtained from the Govornment, and nearly
one-Affth of it being one-fifth of it being oontribuntod, by the freod
men themselves. The schools are now in men themselves. The schools are now in
better condition and more largely attended better condition and more largely attende
than at any former period, tho inorease over
the six months previously reported being 44 than at any former period, the incroase ove
tho six months proviounly reported being 14
in the number of schools, 855 in the number in the number of schools, 855 in the number
of teachers, and 16,407 in the number of
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pupils. In view of the many difinuulties that
bad to be overoome, the neglect of all forme
of popular education in the South, and the bad to be overcome, the neglect of all forms
of popular euncation in the South, and the
strong feeling of hostility to the enlighten ment of the negroes by which a large portion
of the Southern wites are still animated,
the work has been attended with


| spegial notioes. <br> Emerentific Lectures. <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  Wer THE HOLY COMMUNION WILL BE $\square$ $\qquad$ EGT EVANGELICAL EDUCATION bociety. tho Church of tho Epppany, cornero of CHFSNUT and FiFTKENTH Sirreta, on THURSDAY EVENIKO. <br>  <br>  $\qquad$ |
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