

Aztec Ruins.

The Washington Union has published the rough notes kept by Captain Johnson, who accompanied the expedition of Gen. Kearney across the country from New Mexico to California. Captain J. was killed at the battle of San Jacinto and his journal has been published under the direction of General Kearney. It is full of interest, and reveals to the world many a scene and spot hitherto unknown. We copy the following extract descriptive of the ruins of Casa de Montezuma—the house of Montezuma, as it is called by the Spaniards, and which are probably the work of the former Aztec possessor of the land.

ATTACK UPON GEN. CASS.

We notice that some of the opposition papers attempt to be remarkably severe upon Gen. Cass, because he wrote a brief note signifying his inability to go to a national convention, without going into a detailed exposition of his views on the subject of the improvement of the river and harbor improvements. Were Gen. Cass so far removed from public life as to render his opinion on this subject comparatively unknown, there might be some ground for this display of tartness on the part of his political opponents. But with his recent votes in the Senate, on the bills which have passed by the President, to direct the work, it would seem hardly possible that those who profess to take such a deep interest in the matter, should necessarily be ignorant of the position of Gen. Cass, even though he neglects to define it in his letter to the Committee of Correspondence of the Chicago Convention. Whatever may be Gen. Cass's doctrine as a politician, non-commitment certainly is not his. He is a man who takes no views on the democratic party, and with the whole American people, render it necessary that his opinions should attack him whenever and wherever they can get a chance. So far as the affair of the Chicago letter is concerned, we do not apprehend that it will very materially affect Gen. Cass's individual happiness, or seriously injure his political prospects.

THE OBSERVER.

THE OBSERVER. The World is Governed too Much. No. 1. FRIDAY, PA. Saturday Morning, August 14, 1847. DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS. FOR GOVERNOR, FRANK R. SHUNK. FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER, MORRIS LONGSTRETH. Mr. H. ELLISON is a duly authorized agent to procure subscribers for this paper.

THE GAZETTE AND GEN. CASS, AGAIN.

The Nashville Union states that Col. Huskell, a whig candidate for Congress in Tennessee, made a stump speech at Dresden, in that State, on the 17th ult., in which he used the following declaration: "If I am elected, my policy and aim in Congress shall be to blow off the blood-hounds, to acknowledge the error of your ways, take a retrograde march, under the tune of Bonaparte's retreat from Moscow, until we reach the east bank of the Rio Grande."

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The reader will please to remark that these "blood-hounds" are not other than the troops of the United States with whom he himself had fought at Cerro Gordo. Also, that this Col. Huskell is the same individual who made the attack on Gen. Ripley, which has been eulogized by every sycophant here among the number. The reader will also bear in mind that this next Congress, if they have a majority, will be a Congress of peace and blowing hot and cold in different latitudes; they may now be set down as unanimously resolved, in the refusal of Col. Huskell, "to blow off the blood-hounds," and give up every thing gained by Taylor, Scott, Doniphan, and Kearney. Every whig member of Congress elected at the North is pledged to this course, and here we have it publicly avowed as their determination at the South.

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Mr. Hubbard declared that he was not prepared to stand up for the doctrine of the blood-hounds in his speech at this place on the 17th inst. That there were too many inconsistencies and glaring absurdities for him to endorse such anti-American sentiments in order to remain a whig of 1847. I am, of course, not a whig of 1847, and have been so since I was a boy. I have not been a whig since I was a boy, and have not been a whig since I was a boy. I have not been a whig since I was a boy, and have not been a whig since I was a boy.

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Col. Doniphan and the Federalists. Our neighbor of the Gazette has designated us as belonging to the "war-loving clan," and at the same time quotes a garbled extract, "from its context," of the speech of Col. Doniphan, in which the gallant Colonel is made to say that Gen. Taylor (not "Cass" as the Gazette has it), "has gained nothing!"

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What gross injustice to quote such a paragraph, when the following is so intimately connected with it, both by position and sentiment. Verily, should the Colonel exclaim, "save me from my friends!" "It is true, fellow citizens, that this war has not been without its effects. We now present to the world a spectacle such as we never before presented. It has been said that the United States could not wage a war of invasion. We have shown that we have waged it successfully. We have shown to the astonishment of the world, that volunteer troops can be depended upon—that private citizens can be transformed into good soldiers by a proper discipline. We have shown it at the battle of Buena Vista, where the whole force was composed of volunteers; and I defy the world to produce a parallel to that battle."

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