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The Law of Newspapers. 1. Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary, are considered as wishing to continue their subscription.

With the New Year we ought to commence a new volume, but it will require one more number to complete the first volume. Unless we have been deceived, the Republican has proved generally acceptable to our friends.

The President's Message. Instead of awaiting the organization of the two Houses of Congress, as has been the uniform practice heretofore, the President sent in his message to both Houses on Monday, the last day of December.

The impudently course of the President in sending in his message while the House is unorganized causes much comment, in and out of Congress. We suppose he felt that it was like some light wines—without body enough to 'keep.' Now that it has appeared we find nothing of very pressing importance in it.

The Message is mostly occupied with discussions of our relations with Great Britain, and Central American affairs—the necessity and propriety of yielding to every demand of the South, to preserve the Union—the benefits of Popular Sovereignty—the right of new States to be admitted with or without Slavery.

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Who is Responsible. No one can doubt but the following members of the House of Representatives were elected to Congress by the people as men supposed to be in favor of restoring freedom to Kansas and Nebraska.

- T. D. J. Fuller of Maine. John Wheeler of New York. Wm. W. Tall of Ohio. Howard Clark of Ohio. Thomas R. Whitney of Ohio. John Williams of Ohio. Solomon C. Haven of Ohio. Henry M. Fuller of Penna. Jacob Broom of Ohio. Wm. Milward of Ohio. John Hickman of Ohio. David Barclay of Ohio. J. Scott Harrison of Ohio. Charles F. Moore of Ohio. George G. Dunn of Indiana. Harvey Scott of Ohio.

Here are 16 men who know the people they represent and the Missouri outrage wiped out—and yet almost constantly voted against the man whom 106 men selected as (they think) the best and most eligible candidate.

National Know Nothings, like Mr. Campbell [of Pa.] vote for Banks because "he represents our principles." Anti-Slavery Republicans vote for him because he represents just the opposite principles. And so goes on the game of deception in the face of the country.

The game of deception is going on as usual, indeed and that deception is practiced by that old adept, the editor of the Democrat. Can any be so foolish as to be duped by such shallow nonsense and bare-faced misrepresentations as form the staple of the article from which the above is extracted?

We say the deception is on the part of E. B. Chase; for, to make out his case, he garbles and misquotes the remarks of Mr. Campbell. In order to place this matter right before the people, and enable them to see what it is that is practicing deception, we submit the remarks of Mr. Campbell as published in the official organ of Congress, The Globe, leaving our readers to judge whether he belongs to the National Know Nothings.

It will be seen that Mr. Campbell says distinctly that he is opposed to the Kansas Nebraska act, and supports Banks because he is anti-Nebraska man! Does that sound like a National pro-Slavery Know-Nothing?

It must be remembered that these remarks were made before the apostasy of Mr. Fuller, or at least, before that apostasy was made public.

Now, Mr. Clerk, I wish to say that the people of my district are opposed to the Kansas Nebraska act, and representing their sentiments in a petition to the President, which I shall send to him, and I trust that I shall see the President in my own person. But, sir, the American people, who are the basis of our government, are not in favor of Slavery, and they are not in favor of the Kansas Nebraska act.

More Kansas Outrages.—We are getting tired of recording the effects of the new doctrine of Popular Sovereignty in Kansas. People are becoming habituated to hearing, about once a week, the particulars of a Border Ruffian raid into that man-forsaken Territory, involving various species of offences, from theft to murder.

The 15th of December was the day fixed for the adoption or rejection of the Free State Constitution by the people of Kansas. The Missourians, having been frightened from their meditated attack at Lawrence by the report of Sharp's rifles, had gone home, swearing vengeance, whenever their courage could be screwed up to the sticking point.

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Humiliating Spectacle.—Henry M. Fuller, of this State, who represents in Congress, the district composed of the counties of Luzerne, Columbia, Wyoming and Montour, elected by a large majority, over Hendrick B. Wright, as the Anti-Nebraska candidate, has no doubt started the Free-Soil men of the Nebraska State throughout the State generally by his announcement that he would be a candidate for the Speakership, and during the first few days of the session, was complimented by the votes of all his Anti-Nebraska colleagues.

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This place is situated on the Kansas River exactly midway between its mouth and Fort Riley, where the river is formed by the confluence of the Republican and Smoky Hill forks.

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Operations in the Crimea.—Firing between the North and South Forts. General correspondence from the Crimea states that the Russians on the north side of Sevastopol continue a heavy fire against the south side, sometimes nearly all day at the rate of two guns a minute. The Allies reply but little; their engineers continue to work within the town. The British army in this winter, over-supplied with equipments, each man has a waterproof suit, besides tents, coats lined with skin, fur caps, and cowled boots, and for the officers, suits of seal skin sold at moderate prices. The French only carry capotes, and must buy any additional wraps they find necessary. The weather was becoming cold, and the thermometer occasionally as low as 18 deg., and snow steadily falling. It is admitted, from English sources of information, that the Russian army in the Crimea is well provisioned for the winter. They (the Russians) have large supplies at Simferopol and Duvenko, where their troops are.

Later from Kansas.—Further Trouble. St. Louis, Dec. 29.—The Lexington, (Mo.) Herald of the 22d says, that on the 15th the citizens of Kansas voted on the Constitution adopted by the Free State Convention, held at Topeka. At Leavenworth a collision took place between the pro and anti-Slavery parties. The ballot-boxes were destroyed by the mob, the voting stopped, a man and a Slavery man's house burned, a man stung with the last outrage, was arrested and lodged in jail. His friends broke open the jail, rescued the prisoner, and burned down the building. Great excitement prevailed, and both sides sent for assistance.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—A letter from Westport, dated the 18th, states that a meeting of the Missouri River men, and several other places they would not allow the polls to be opened. A large mob destroyed the ballot-box at Leavenworth, and maltreated the Judges of the election.

The superiority of a American inventing genius, not only over that of our English contemporaries, but indeed of all other nations, has become too tangible to be disputed. It was notorious at the World's Fair in London, that the Americans far outstripped all others in the useful inventions which they supplied.

Mr. Allison. Will the gentleman from Alabama allow me to put an inquiry to my colleague from the Berks district? Mr. WALKER. I will reply that purpose.

Mr. Allison. I wish to know whether I understood my colleague aright. I understood him to say that the principles of the Know Nothing party and of the Free-Soil or anti-Nebraska party were identical, and therefore that there was not a majority of national Democrats from Pennsylvania on this floor.

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News from the Pacific. Progress of the War. The Full of Kara and its Effect. With the exception of the fact that Kara has fallen by starvation, there is nothing important from the seat of war. No particulars are given of the surrender of Kara, and there are even some doubts expressed as to the fact, but the general opinion is that it is correct.

Views of the British Ministry on the Peace Question. What passes at cabinet councils is presumed to be kept a profound secret; and yet somehow or other, things do ooze out, and become the subject of conversation in favored circles. Persons, who have friends in the cabinet, spoke very plainly last night, in the West end, as to what they alleged to have taken place at the cabinet council yesterday.

Will be Received on Subscription. AT THIS OFFICE. Wheat and Wheat Flour. Beef and Mutton. Corn and Corn Meal. Butter and Cheese. Potatoes and Beans. Turnips and Eggs. Tobacco and Salt. Wood and Candles.

Susquehanna County Agricultural Society. The annual meeting of the Susquehanna County Agricultural Society, held on the 22nd inst., was a very successful one. The reports of the committees on Grain, &c., will be reported on at this meeting, and officers will be elected for the ensuing year.

Fire, Fire! The Montrose Fire Company will meet at their Engine House for the election of officers and other business, on Monday January 7th, at 7 o'clock, P. M. All full attendance is earnestly solicited.

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