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THE TARIFF ACT OF 1847. The Country demands its restoration.

For President, General Zachary Taylor. Subject to the Decision of the Whig National Convention.

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suggested for criminal and civil jurisdiction over American citizens in China. The expediency of opening diplomatic relations with the Papal States is proposed and urged.

The operation of the new tariff (without a single allusion, however, to the peculiar and extraordinary circumstances which have attended the first year of its existence) is deemed favorable both to revenue and the business of the country.

The amount of the public debt on the first instant was \$49,559,659.46. The expenditures for the ensuing year, if peace should not be concluded, are estimated at about \$59,000,000.

A duty on Tea and Coffee is recommended, and the graduation and reduction of the price of public lands. The Sub-Treasury is commended, but certain modifications and alterations are proposed.

Legislation with reference to the extension of territorial laws over Oregon is advised. Postage arrangements have been effected with Bremen, and no difficulty encountered in this matter with any other power except Great Britain.

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Gratitude of Mr. Forest. We are indebted to Mr. Edwin Forest for his well timed and faithful friend, James Y. Wagner of Baltimore, magnificent carriage and pair of horses.

Gas at Washington. It is now said that the attempt at lighting the Capitol grounds with Crutcher's gas, from the lantern on the top of the Capitol, proves fruitless and vain.

Elphinstone in Mexico. Quite an excitement was produced at Monterey recently, by the double elopement, at the same time, of two Mexican senators, with two officers belonging to the staff corps of our army.

Com. Stockton and Gen. Kearny. We are gratified to learn from the New York Express that the rumors of an expected duel between these gentlemen, although founded on fact, are happily dispelled.

Three persons set out from Orwigburg, on Wednesday evening last, where they had been attending Court, and when near the residence of Mr. D. C. Lewis, on the Canal, they got to quarrelling with each other.

Notice has been given in the House of Representatives of South Carolina, of an intention to introduce a bill to transfer the election of President of the United States to the Legislature.

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We also annex the recapitulation of Mr. Gallatin's chief arguments: "It is an indisputable fact, that the annexation of Texas, like the war with Mexico, was tantamount to a declaration of war, and that the comparative weakness of Mexico alone prevented its government from considering it as such."

Under these circumstances, it was evidently the duty of the United States to have been ready to meet the aggression of Mexico, and to wait with patience for an unconditional recognition of the Independence of Texas, till the feelings excited by our aggression had subsided.

It has been shown that after Mexico had resorted, as a substitute for war, to the harmless assumption of the ordinary diplomatic intercourse, to attempt to make it retract that measure, before any negotiations for the restoration of harmony between the two countries should be entered into.

But that the refusal of Mexico to submit to such additional conditions, should have been considered as an insult to the United States, betrays the pride of power, rather than a just sense of what is due to the true dignity and honor of this nation.

It has been demonstrated, that the republic of Texas had not a shadow of right to the territory adjacent to the left bank of the lower portion of the Rio Norte; that though she claimed, she never had actually exercised jurisdiction over any portion of it; that the Mexicans were the sole inhabitants and in actual possession of that district; that therefore its forcible occupation by the army of the United States was, according to the acknowledged law of nations, as well as in fact, an act of open hostility and war; that the resistance of the Mexicans to that invasion was legitimate, and therefore was not unwarranted by them, and commanded by the United States.

If any doubt should remain of the correctness of these statements, let them be tested by the divine and unchangeable principle, "Do unto others as you would be done by."

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POTTSVILLE MARKET. Wheat Flour, 100 lbs. 3 00. D's Flour, 100 lbs. 2 50. D's Flour, 100 lbs. 2 50. D's Flour, 100 lbs. 2 50.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES. Sunday, the 13th inst. By Divine permission, the Rev. Mr. Bishop New Episcopal Church in Pottsville, will have a collection to enable the Vestry to complete the alterations in the interior of the church.

JUVENILE FAIR. For the benefit of the Female Seminary, will be held at the Town Hall, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 14th, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH. The morning service will be held at 9 o'clock. The afternoon service will be held at 3 o'clock.

MARRIAGES. On Monday the 9th inst. John Maddison, Mr. John Wolter, to Miss Ellen Reed.

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