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THE OFFICE SEEKER'S SCRAMBLE.—The Whig party going out of office, and having no share in the Government, can look with serene complacency upon the scramble for the leaves and fishes, which has already begun in the Locofoco ranks. A great number of aspirants are named for every office in the gift of the President in this vicinity, and the friends of each are marshalling themselves for the battle. The *Daily Union*, of yesterday acknowledges that this contest was commenced even before the election took place. It says

"These keen-eyed and hungry hangers-on to the Democracy, smelt office before the election was held, and began to work their secret traps before the field was won. While the honest masses of the Democracy were spending their time and means to secure the triumph of their principles, the aly, insinuating trimmers alluded to, were going about the city committing men in their favor."

The *Union* announces as its candidate for Post master, Maj. ROBERT ANDERSON, who has been one of the principal clerks in the Post Office for a number of years. The *Chronicle* also comes out for Mr. Anderson; and it is thought our advocacy would not injure him with the party, we would endorse him too. We will venture this much, anyhow; he would make an excellent and obliging officer.

Among the various persons spoken of as aspirants for the Post Office, is that distinguished individual, LICKY HARPER, of the *Post*, and to him the *Chronicle* pitches right and left. The Chronicle says that Licky boasts that his paper is a fortune to him, he having made $20,000 by it in six years, and the Chronicle thinks that he is rich enough already without any more treasury pap; and that the Government printing ought to confine him.

How this beautiful struggle will end we cannot say, but as it is to be protracted for some months, we may look out for lots of fun, which we can enjoy in safety in our snug position up Salt river.

FRAUDULENT NATURALIZATION PAPERS.—There has long been an impression that there has been illegal voting on fraudulent naturalization papers. The evil has been deplored, but the difficulty has been to arrive at the facts, and to inflict adequate punishment. It appears that one or more cases, which took place in this city, have been discovered; at least this is alleged, and some legal proceedings have been had, which we will more fully notice when the matter has been thoroughly investigated. The persons implicated, as we learn by the *Post*, are Whigs, but we have no doubt that the other party will find it very difficult to show clean hands. It is notorious that fraudulent papers issued by the Locofocos are already in the hands of some Whigs, who, we suppose, will prosecute the parties implicated. We have no defence to make for either party, or any men, who will engage in such illegal practices. They cap the very foundation of good government, and public morals, and ought to be punished and frowned down by the community. But let us have no one-sided prosecutions. Let the records be examined, and every paper issued within the last year be subjected to a severe scrutiny, and both parties suffer alike. The Locofocos can show clean hands for the benefit of it. We do not. We think it will turn out that they are fomenting this matter, that they may escape in the fog of it. It is not the first time that the Whigs have been defrauded, has joined in the howl against fraud, and has made the most outrageous charges, when they do not wish to screen Whigs from the consequences of their own follies, but to screen Whigs from punishing one party for a crime they have been committed by the other.

The Cuban, and our Foreign Relations are the subjects of no little interest and deep consideration in reference to the coming incoming administration. There is no doubt, that the forthcoming administration, in reference to Mexico, had a great effect upon the minds of a large number of voters, who were determined on an extension of our territory, and especially the island of Cuba. These Filibustering Gentlemen, Men had nothing to do with the present administration, and from Gen. Scott down to the Whig party has been the present upright and dignified Gen. Scott approves of the action of the Whig party has been the present upright and dignified Gen. Scott approves of the action of the Whig party has been the present upright and dignified Gen. Scott approves of the action of