Two columns of interesting reading matter will be found on our first page this morning. POLITICAL CORRUPTION .- The locofoco has grown merry over the developements of the

ate Congressional Committee of Investigation, and rushes to the conclusion that, inasmuch more of the locofo members were implicated by that Committee, the party is pure and incorruptable, while the Republicans are all purchasable and corrupt in their very natures. The self-gratulations thus indulged in, are

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Since I last wrote, the committee upon correspondent of the party in power could not be provoked to institute an official exposure.

The RAT-POISONING STONX.—The story which has obtained such prominence, lately, that the President and many other persons boarding at the National Hotel, in Washington City, in February last, had been poisoned by drinking water from a tank in which some rats defed with arrespin bank drowned themselves, turis out to be, as we anticipated, a mare invention. The Washington correspondent of the New York Time?

As we anticipated, a mare invention. The Washington correspondent of the New York Time? says that the water tank into which the rate were poisoned, alts upon the roof of the building from which its sides rise perpendicularly as least eight feet. It is not easy to see how a rat could climb that height without assistance, especially when weak and dying from the effects of poison. Besides, this tank is empited two or three times a lap, and is carrefully cleaned of all sediment in order to keep the water clear. Nor was this conditions of the profession one. Nor was this incorder to keep the water clear. Nor was this condition of the truth of the truth of the truth of the truth of all beattern of the profession of the special many of the present of humanity—form a tank in which is empirity—form a tank in which he respondent of the New York Time?

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the rat story. The sickness had no such origin; but it was attributed, at the time he left that city, to the use of defective coppor utensils in cooking. The general view now entertained at Washington, however, is, that it arose from de-

city, to the use of defective coppor uteals in cooking. The general view now entertained at Washington, however, is, that it arose from defective sewer seems and the correspondent of the Tipes says:—

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National Hotel has been almost deserted, not-withstanding it is in all respects the best kert house in town, and every other is uncomforted bly crowded. The sickness, however, seems to have abated now that the sewers have had opportunity to elear themselves of the Winter's accumulations; and it is to be hoped there will be to return of it. The explanation is due alike to the proprietors, who have suffered severely by the rat story, and also to the travelling public, whom such large delegations arrive at the

Another New York paper discloses the theory in this wise:

The rat theory, then, being rejected, and no deleterious material having been discovered in the food, there are some who believe that the poison was secretly administered by human hands, to accomplish some infernal scheme, which the imagination can only guess at. This telief is based chiefly upon the fact that the post morten examination of Mrs. Adams shows hat arsenic was taken into the stomach in suffi cleat quantities to produce her sickness and death, and the physicians in this city, who have patients from the National, say that all the symptoms are those of poleon

from the National, say that all the symptoms are those of poison.

Horace H. Day, Esq., is now lying very low in this city. He was a boarder there, and no doubt is affected precisely as Mrs. Adams. A daughter of Senator James is also very sick and under the charge of Dr. Marcy. Dr. Leon has several patients, including a child of the writer, who is very low. That we have all been poisoned by some substance daily administered to us in the food at the National Hotel is beyond a question. What that substance was, how or by whom administered, remains a mystery. The proprietors of the house, we are satisfied, have used every effort and means in their power to find out the cause of this wide-spread infliction, but in vain. To them it is rs profound a mystery as to any in the land. tery as to any in the land.

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