

THE RACE YESTERDAY.

From the Public Ledger. The intense anxiety of the spectators...

At a quarter past one the bugles sounded for the racers, and they were brought upon the track.

The buildings in a range of two platforms, one above the other, is about 50 or 60 feet long.

The scene was one of awful excitement for a few minutes; the crowd rushed to the spot, and instantly commenced removing the fallen timbers.

Some five or six persons appeared to be in a dying condition, Mr. O'Daniel and Mr. Torbert especially.

This deplorable accident for a time put an end to the race. As soon, however, as it was ascertained that no persons were killed, a disposition was manifested to proceed with the sport.

With a recklessness which seemed almost to invite accident and death, persons crowded upon the remaining part of the building, and even upon the shattering wall, which still hung leaning in the air.

At a quarter to three the track was cleared, and the horses started. Fashion took the lead and had the inside track.

The second and third mile was followed by the same testimonials of approbation...

THE REVOLUTION IN CALIFORNIA.

Very imperfect accounts have been received here of the revolution in California, by which the people of that country have thrown off the rule of the Mexicans...

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Some reports make the total (on both sides) amount to three or four men, while the others make it as many horses.

California, from Bodega to San Diego is now once more under its own command, the Russians having left Bodega, which now belongs to Capt. S. Smith, of Baltimore, (U. S. of America)...

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Fee Bills

FOR JUSTICES AND CONSTABLES, Printed on a sheet for the purpose of Posting up in their Offices.

FOR SALE AT THIS OFFICE The Law requires every Justice and Constable to have his bill of fees posted up in his office.

NEW POST OFFICE LAW.

The New Post Office Law, goes into operation on the first of July next, and the following is a list of Post Offices, at which the Columbia Democrat, can be received FREE OF POSTAGE...

Columbia County.

- Nomidia, Cattawissa, Beaver Valley, Millville, Berwick, Espy, Light Street, Orangeville, Pealers, Fightingreek, Benton, Cole creek, Central, Rhoadsburg, Greenwood, Millville, Jordansville, Buck Horn, Jerseytown, Brier Creek, White Hall, Derry, Washingtonville, Moorsburg, Danville.

Iycoming County.

- Chestnut Grove, Moreland

Northumberland County.

- Milton, Sanbury, Northumberland, Elysburg, Bear Gap.

Union County.

- Lewisburg.

Schuykill County.

- Fountain Springs.

Luzerne County.

- Cambria, Towanhill, Fairmount Springs, Tyler, Salem, Suckskinny, Beach Grove, Beach Haven, Cunningham, Hazelton, Beaver Meadows.

STEAMBOAT EXPLOSION

We learn from a Baltimore paper, that on Tuesday last, the Steam Tow Boat, Paul Jones, while on her passage from Havre de Grace to Baltimore, was blown up near North Point, by the explosion of her larboard boiler, and rendered a perfect wreck.

GOVERNOR OF OREGON.

The New Orleans Republicans says, Col R. M. Johnson, of Kentucky, would have been appointed Governor of Oregon, if Brown's bill had passed at the last session of Congress.

A two story brick house has been raised in Barclay street, N. Y., opposite St. Paul Church, by being lifted nearly thirty feet.

The Detroit Advertiser says that Judge Wilkins recently intimated an opinion, in a case pending before him, that a judge was privileged from suit during the period he held the office.

STILL LATER FROM MEXICO.

By an arrival of a Mexican schooner at New Orleans, on the 20th, dates, from Vera Cruz (nine days later) to the 10th inst. have been received. The Bee says 'No sooner was her arrival known than the air was filled with rumors.'

Another rumor, more plausible, that Santa Anna had not only been pardoned, but promoted to the command-in-chief of the Mexican armies.

The project for recognizing the independence of Texas has been favorably reported upon by a special committee of the Chamber of Deputies.

The Picayune says: 'Rumors of revolutions in various portions of the Mexican Empire are rife.'

Upon a more reliable authority than mere rumor, we may state His Excellency, Senor Juan de Dios Canedo passed through Vera Cruz about the first of the month, upon a mission, as was said, from the Government of Mexico to that of the United States.

'Elliott and the Texas Commissioners are about leaving this (Vera Cruz) in an English frigate for Galveston, with the treaty acknowledging the independence of Texas.'

What will astonish the American people in this extract is the intelligence that Elliott is in Vera Cruz, and that the President of Texas has secretly sent Commissioners to Mexico under the patronage of England.

We have seen so much duplicity and double-dealing in this whole affair, and heard so much official mendacity in regard to the purposes of men, unfortunately high places at so momentous a crisis, that we are prepared to believe that some of the reports in the busy scene before us are capable of doing any thing, however low and asseverating any thing, however false, but we confess that these two little items in a letter from a high source excited our amazement.

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STILL LATER.—The U. S. brig Somers arrived at Pensacola, on the 18th ult. from Vera Cruz on the 14th ult. four days later than the above.

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the Mexican House of Representatives on the 3d May, 41 to 13, and after a very animated and warm debate, when it was sent to the Senate it is believed would concur unanimously.

TEXAS.

New Orleans papers give late and interesting news from Texas.

President Jones has issued a proclamation, calling upon the people to elect 'deputies' to a convention of the various counties, to be held on the 4th of July next, to consider the proposition of annexation to the United States.

The President does this because the Constitution of that Republic does not provide for changing the organic law, and because he believes it competent for the people alone to determine so momentous a matter.

The unwilling consent of President Jones to refer this matter to the people is a strong indication how popular sentiment still runs, and the proposition from the U. States government will receive a favorable consideration.

At a public meeting in Matagorda county recently held, the Representative and Senator in Congress were appointed to meet delegates from the other counties at the seat of Government on the third Monday in May in order to adopt such plans as they may deem most proper to obtain the action of the people throughout the Republic on the question of Annexation.

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