

FROM THE SEAT OF WAR.

We find in the New Orleans Picayune, of the 8th inst., a number of letters from the Seat of War, principally from the pen of G. W. Kendall, Esq., one of the editors of that paper, who has been with the Camp as a visitor since the battle.

Matamoras is certainly going ahead. I see that the Washington Ball Room is to be opened this evening for the first time under that title, with a grand Mexican fandango—admission 50 cents.

Gen. Taylor is now worse cramped and hampered for want of transportation than ever, and the Quarter Master General's Department catches it on all sides and from all quarters.

Gen. Taylor's camp on this side the Rio Grande is yet above water in spots, although the chances of being driven or drowned out still look about even.

Volunteers are still arriving by regiments and still Gen. Taylor is without transportation or any means of moving them.

From the interior the news is various and contradictory. It is said that a portion of the Mexican infantry has left Leonares for some point near Tampico, and very likely such is the case.

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Sand Bar.—Among the annoyances experienced by volunteers during their encampment at the Brazos Santiago previous to their march to Buñia, is the light and which is irritated like dust by the sea breeze and fills the eyes and food of the volunteer forces—water which is exorable frequently produces painful diseases of the bowels such as dysentery &c. which enervate and discourage the men.

Mexican Women.—Much has been said and sung of Mexican females, of their loveliness, their kindness, and all that sort of thing. It is pleasant to imagine the contrast that no doubt exists between the males and females of Mexico.

Tomqua Indian's Tail.—A few Indians, some twenty or thirty, have been hanging round camp for some days, begging holding war dances for pay, and getting drunk. The other evening, a rather good looking, athletic fellow came to me, and patting me on the shoulder, called me Bobby shilly and asked me for a picayune.

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crooked as their natures. Col. Twigg had occasion a few days since to purchase some Mexican horses. Early in the morn some fifty horse traders came riding up to the front of his tent, spurring and curbing in their horses to show them off to good advantage.

FIFTEEN DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

The steamship Cambria arrived at Boston on Friday evening about 7 o'clock, bringing advices from Liverpool to the 4th, and London to the 3d inst.

The Corn Law Bill has passed. The Irish Coercion Bill was defeated. The Ministry being left in the minority, Peel resigned, and a new Ministry was formed.

The London Times regards the new ministry favorably. Sir Robert Peel views it without jealousy and with a friendly eye. The general impression is that the new Premier will hastily wind up the business of the session and dissolve Parliament in the course of the autumn.

From India there is no news of striking interest, nor from China. The grain trade at Mark Lane, London, has not changed since the sailing of the Britannia.

Cardinal Perrati, aged 58 years, has been elected Pope. The foreign delegates did not arrive in time to vote.

Wilmor & Smith's European Times, in the close of an article upon the settlement of the Oregon question, bears honorable testimony to the talents and popularity of the American Minister in England, Mr. McLane—a gentleman whose intelligence, respectability, and patriotism, reflect credit on his country and himself.

Lord Francis Egerton having been raised to the peerage, his place in the House of Commons has been filled by an American merchant, G. D. Browne, Esq.

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the respect and the esteem of the world. The previous habits and character of the Pontiff do credit to the judgment and impartiality of the conclave which elected him.

The new Pontiff, who is a native of the papal states, of a noble family near Zocora, who entered the priesthood when very young, after a severe illness, in which he had prayed to the Virgin for relief, and, being cured, he resolved in gratitude to devote himself to the church.

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All the Parisian newspapers have translated, at considerable length, the details of the proceedings of Gen. Taylor in Mexico, received by the Britannia. The result of the conflicts was expected, and did not cause much surprise, but the press, generally speaking, think that the United States will have to deal as much with England as with Mexico.

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CASE OF SHELBY FOR THE MURDER OF HORINE.

Great Excitement at Lexington Ky.—Judge Hung in Effigy.—The Washington Union contains the following letter from Lexington, dated 13th instant, giving an account of the excitement produced there by the acquittal of Shelby, the Murderer of Horine.

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on the part of the jailer to remove them was met with such a determined resistance by the getting up of the effigies, that no further effort to remove them was made. At 10 o'clock a crowd of from 3000 to 5,000 people from the city and county had assembled in the Court House yard, and an address was made to them by Colonel Robert J. Wilson, approving of this expression of the popular indignation, and denouncing the judge and jurors, after which a series of resolutions were passed unanimously.

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MR. WILDER'S ADDRESS.

Mr. R. A. Wilder delivered an Address before the Mechanic's and Laboring Men's Beneficial Society at Danville on the 4th inst., which does him credit; and has been published at the request of a committee in the Danville papers. It indicates the possession, by the author, of a patriotic, discriminating and poetical mind, and, (except some involved sentences, and slight errors of style,) is truly a beautiful production.

The clear bright sun, which shone into the halls of the colonial Congress 70 years ago this day, penetrated the veil which ever divides the present from the future, and through its gorgeous light the prophetic eye of the incorruptible statesman beheld the final success of the plans he was maturing.

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WYOMING SEMINARY.

We were so pleased with the annual exercises of the Kingston Seminary last year, that upon their recurrence, in the commencement of this week, we did ourselves the honor to attend them as closely as our engagements would permit, and we are pleased to be able to say, with increased satisfaction. The few we recognised as having taken part in the examinations and declamations of the year before, showed better than those who were 'fresh,' the great amount of improvement that the attainments, care and industry of the excellent Principal and his Assistants was capable of affording to those who desire to improve, and we came away satisfied that the pride of the patrons in the establishment is founded upon a just and merited basis.

But amid the severer studies of use, we noticed that those accomplishments which embellish life were not unattended to, as evidenced by the numerous paintings and drawings which hung around the decorated walls of the Chapel. Most of the audience supposed many of them to be fine-line engravings, so well had Mrs. Nelson (under whose care is this department,) improved the fine talents of some of her pupils. The closing of the exercises by declamation