Later from the Army.

The American Troops have Crossed the Rio Grande—Capture of the Town of Barita—Probable Surrender of Metamoras.

By the New Orleans papers of the 22d inst., and an extra from the office of the Picayune, we have the following cheering intelligence from the seat of War:

The steamship Alabama, Capt. H. Wintle, arrived in a late hour on the night of the 21st inst., in 48 hours from Brazos St. Iago, having sailed on Tuesday evening.

News at Point Isabel, official, had arrived that Col. Wilson, with four companies of Regulars, and three companies of Alabama volunteers, in conjunction with 500 marines from the U. S. Squadron, under command of Capt. Aulick, had taken Barita without opposition.

Gen. Taylor was to cross the Rio Grande for the purpose of taking Matamoras on Monday. Having heard no commanding at Point Isabel, it was the universal opinion that the Mexicans had evacuated the town.

Gen. Smith's command were on their way and had commenced their march on the island of Boca Chica, to cross the Rio Grande at the mouth and advance up the river on the Mexican side.

Capt. Windle reports that 2000 Mexicans were seen to march out of Matamoras, and it was said they were almost in a state of starvation.

The following correspondence of the New Orleans Picayune, received by the Alabama, contains some additional particulars of interest.

PASS CHRISTIAN, Texas, May 18, 1846.

Gentlemen: Yesterday Lieut. Col. Wilson, 1st U. S. Infantry, with four companies of that regiment, Col. Desha's Mobile volunteers, and two companies of the Washington regiment of Louisiana volunteers amounting to 400 men, crossed the Rio Grande at its mouth and took up their line of march on its west or right bank for the small town of La Barita, eight miles above; supported by the U. S. steamer Nevada, Capt. Frederick, on board of which was a small detachment with a field piece.

To-day an express was received from Col. W., stating his safe and unopposed entrance into La Barita, where he has taken up his position.

Information was received from General Taylor last evening, that he intended to cross over to Matamoras early to day.—Early in the morning a few canon were heard. I suppose he has taken the place without opposition, as the remains of the Mexican army, 2000 men, were two days since in active preparation for retreat to San Fernando, 40 leagues south—the ballance, not killed, drowned, or prisoners, having scattered in utter confusion to their homes. Never were an army so panic stricken.

I am pleased to see the notice which you take of the "gallant Walker." Many of his daring adventures remain unknown, or at least untold. The *entrée*" one came off during the second battle, when having his horse shot under him, he fell and *afterged* all the agonies of a mortal wound, and when his adversary came upon him to despatch him with a lance, and strip him, Walker used his revolver with effect, *jumped on the fellow's horse*, and went ahead."

A letter from the American camp says:—"I have to mention the afflicting circumstance, that our most severely wounded men are mortifying and dropping off. One reason is, the excessive heat of the weather; and another is the Mexicans fired nothing but copper shot. Such a proceeding on their part has outraged the feelings of the whole army."

WAR.—The following brief passage from a letter, gives a vivid picture of the horrors of war:—"The wounds of the men were very severe, most of them requiring amputation of some limb. The surgeons I saw was going the live-long night, and the groans of the sufferers were heart-rending."

MORE PLUNDER.—Gen. TAYLOR, among the spoils, found some excellent charts of Mexico—roads, mountains, rivers, defiles, &c.—the very guide so much wanted.

THE YOUNG JERSEY HERO WOUNDED.—We regret to learn from the Newark Advertiser, that the gallant young Gilbert Dudley, of that city, who recently distinguished himself by taking captive two Mexican soldiers single-handed, was severely wounded in one of the late brilliant engagements, by a six pound canon-ball, which took out a large piece of flesh from his thigh. It is thought he will recover. He is only 19 years of age.

ANTIDOTE OF GEN. TAYLOR.—A correspondent of the Providence Transcript, giving an account of the latest battle with the Mexicans says:

"There was, as you perceive, no chance for maneuvering—it was hard fighting and go ahead. Some of the guns were taken and retaken two or three times. General Arista had two horses killed under him, and one old lancer, Maj. Gen. Taylor, was constantly in the thickest of the fight. Once, when remonstrated with for stopping at a point where grape shot and bullets were flying like hail, he said—*Well, they do come pretty thick; let us go on a little further ahead, and they will all go over us.*"

THE AMERICAN "MERRY."—The Tropic gives the following description of Capt. May, who has lately caused the above title:

"With a beard extending to his breast, and hair to his hip-bone, which, as he cuts through the wind on his charger, streams out in all directions, he presents a most imposing appearance. His gait on foot is awkward, and that of his horse an (immense one) is the rack of a Canadian pony."

Major Gen. Leslie Combs, of Kentucky, (the Whig champion and orator in 1844,) has ordered out the whole of his Division to meet the requisition made by the Government upon that State for troops for the Mexican War.

The Mexican War—the part taken in demonstration of public feeling—the means are thus semi-officially sanctioned in the Washington Union:

"The New York Albion has taken all the friends of peace to exert their best efforts for its preservation. It thinks the danger imminent. We sympathize in our wishes with the Albion. We, too, fear that the war between Great Britain and the United States, and we invoke as sincerely as it does the blessings of peace between these nations. But why does it indulge any fears at this moment? Why suppose that the call of fifty thousand volunteers points to a war with England? We mean to conduct the war against Mexico with all the vigor in our power. We may want twenty-five thousand volunteers, or even more, to strike such a blow as may compel her to make peace. *We shall invoke her treetings; we shall seize her strong holds; we shall take even her capital, if there be no other means of bringing her to a sense of justice.* We may want fifty thousand volunteers, not against England, but for the Mexican war. Why need the Albion, then, threaten our military energy to any convert design of waging a war against England?"

To Correspondents.

☞Our Correspondents will please to bear in mind that all communications, to secure attention, must not only mark us free of postage, but that they must be accompanied by the authors name. "Drop letters" are subjected to a postage of 2 cents under the present law.

The favors by C. M. K.* cannot appear until the writer has furnished his name.

Who's for Texas?

☞In another column will be found a Call for a public meeting at our citizens on Monday evening next to adopt measures for the immediate organization of a company of volunteers, to tender their services for the defence of Texas, as a part of the contingent of Pennsylvania, to be employed in the existing war with Mexico.

Capt. SCOTT's Company of Riflemen meet at the store of Reuben Tawney, for the same purpose.

The Crops.

☞The papers, in different parts of the country, give cheering intelligence as to the prospect for an abundant harvest. In some few sections the grain has suffered from the fly, but generally throughout the crops will be unusually full. In one county the crops never presented a finer appearance. We have not heard of any injury being sustained from the fly.

Mr. Cooper.

☞A Correspondent of the Lancaster Tribune writing from Harrisburg over the signature of "CAMBRIA," has the following complimentary paragraph in relation to our townman. We have heard the effort of Mr. Cooper in the trial to which reference is had, frequently spoken of as an unusually able one:

"The Speech of the Hon. JAMES COOPER, of Adams county, delivered in this place, a few weeks since, in the celebrated McCook case, has gained for him a host of very enthusiastic friends. He rasped off, in fine style, the Paw-Knee Governor, his underling, "Jesse," and he gave the immortal Col. Roberts, and the Bradford Junto, particular thunder. He made the dust jump like "parcelled peas on a grid-iron." The fellow officers fear him more than any other man in the State, and well they may. He is the man to expose their corruptions and rascality, and boldly lay bear their political rottenness. Let the Whigs rally around COOPER, and all will be well.

The Intentions of the Government.

☞The following extract from the Washington Union, we presume, indicates the intended policy of the Administration in regard to the War with Mexico. It is in reply to the suggestion of the N. Y. Albion that after the capture of Mata moras hostilities should be suspended, and a commission be appointed at once to repair to Mexico to make peaceful overtures:

"We cannot consent to take that Albion into our council of war. There is no disposition of bringing Mexico to her knees, and to a concession of our just rights, but pushing the war with all our vigor, after the capture of Matamoras. That event will not suspend our military operations—nor will the season arrest them. But we shall go on conquering and to conquer, until Mexico is compelled to abandon her pretensions, and her bravado. We feel that we are not under the necessity to put off by words of ridiculous pronunciatos. Still less likely are we to wait for the mediation of any European power. We act upon our own hook, until Mexico shall be made to feel that our swords or cannon must wring full justice, and a permanent peace, from her infatuated Government.—She has too long abused our forbearance, and the consequences of her obstinacy and hostility be now upon her own head!"

The War and the Tariff.

☞In the U. S. Senate on Tuesday Mr. LEWIS, from the Committee on Finance, introduced two resolutions of inquiry of the President:

First—To report to the Senate what amount of money will be necessary to carry on the government for the current and fiscal year, with a view of prosecuting the war with Mexico to a speedy and honorable termination; and whether the present rate of revenue will yield a sum of money equal to the probable expenditures.

Second—In the event of a deficiency in the revenue to meet the anticipated expenses, whether he would recommend a modification of the present tariff, to meet the exigency, and prevent a resort to a loan, the issue of treasury notes, or direct taxation.

The Resolutions were adopted, but subsequently the vote was reconsidered, on motion of Mr. CRITTENDEN, who proposed an amendment calling on the President to report what modification of the Tariff, or what other fiscal measures he would recommend, &c. After an interesting discussion in which Messrs. Crittenden, Calhoun, and Webster took part, the resolutions were laid aside until the next day.

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Canal Commissioner.

☞We have been requested to announce the name of JAMES M. POWER, of Mercer, as a candidate for Canal Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention. The Lycoming Gazette and the county American both speak of Mr. Power in the highest terms, and as he is a gentleman of fine talents and unexceptionable character, we have no doubt he will receive the support of the Democracy of the county, should he be a candidate before the Convention.

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THE LATEST NEWS FROM ALL PARTS.

Further Intelligence from Portugal—Civil War Still Raging—Spain—Affairs in the East—Corn Law Bill in a third reading.

The steamer *Hibernia* arrived in Boston on Monday afternoon, bringing Liverpool dates to the 19th ult.

The accounts received from England at the first action of the U. States Senate and House on the notice bill, caused a great many discussions in the press and eminent orders, but seemed to produce no part of a solution. The belief gained ground that all opprobrious cause of war are at an end, and that Mr. Polk has implicit confidence in the commencement of peace, so he has made no preparation for a conflict.

The London Times of Thursday says:—"The packet which was said from Liverpool on a few days will doubtless go to the States the real impression produced here by the late intelligence. If the resolution was intended as a threat or a hostile measure, it has not produced any effect whatever, *except that it is probable Mr. Palenham will be at once empowered to bring the controversy to a prompt and final conclusion.*" The London Morning Chronicle says, on what it considers high and unquestionable authority, that the Oregon question is on the point of a satisfactory settlement.

The most important news relates to the passage of the Corn bill to a third reading by a majority of 98. This took place at four o'clock on the morning of the 16th, after a debate which had continued for the day hour. The belief is expressed that the bill will pass the House of Lords.

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4. Music by the Band.
5. Oration by Col. Wm. Miller.
6. Music by the Band.
7. Dinner.

Tickets can be had of the Committee of Arrangements, at the Bar of the Eagle Hotel, at the Bar of the Globe Hotel, and at the Bar of the Compass.

The Committee of Arrangements request all the Military companies in the County to parade on the occasion, and the Citizens generally to attend.

By order of the Committee,

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June 1, 1846.

MARRIED,

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