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FRIDAY MORNING.

NOVEMBER 8, 1850.

## MOVEMENTS IN NEW YORK.

The recent Union Meeting in the city of New York has been very gratifying to the friends of the Union every where, yet in the interior of the State, the Abolition portion of the people are quite out of humor on the subject. The Albany Evening Journal is very energetic and charges treachery upon some of the Whig and Democratic leaders. It says they have formed a "coalition" to defeat Washington Hunt, the Whig candidate for Governor, and Ebenezer Blodget, the Whig candidate for Canal Commissioner. We trust there is no just ground for this suspicion, and that party trickery will not be found lurking beneath the specious guise of a love of the Union.

It may be that the Journal itself is playing an advent game respecting such a report. A few days will however determine the question, as the election comes on the 6th.

The feelings of the Whigs of the interior of New York are as follows in accordance with those of the people of the City, but we hope they have agreed to disperse their efforts in the same family, and that no agitation will be hastened after the election.

The Fugitive Slave Law cannot be repealed whilst the Senate of the United States entertain its present opinion and it cannot be violated with impunity.

We have informed many Southern men are anxious for so good an excuse for Disunion as the repeal of this law would give them, but we do not believe the majority of the representatives from that region will fall into the Seward camp of any "higher law" than that of the Constitution of the United States, which they have been sworn to support.

Let those who are uneasy on the subject rest assured that President Fillmore understands his duty, and that he will use all his influence to effectually undertake to discharge it. When those who appear to be unorganized resistance to the laws, either by a State or by individuals, will do all that his sense of propriety may require of him.

He has chosen his constitutional advisers—men of ability and patriotism—men of national feelings and views—and he asks no kitchen concern to enlighten him. The Democratic editors who are laboring in this way may as well wait until they get a President of their own kidney, and then they may advise and interrogate as much as they please.

## THE MOB FEELING AT BOSTON.

The spirit evinced by a portion of the people of Boston in encouraging the negro population to a resistance of the laws, is likely to produce a serious feeling of resentment on the part of the South. It would be a strange thing indeed if the first act of treason, at the laws should be committed in the orderly city of Boston—the Athens of America. But such scenes likely to be the case. Some circumstances of very trifling character have occurred in that city, in reference to the claimants of a fugitive slave—and a violation of order, as well as of law, had been stimulated and approved by some men of prominence.

One thing is very certain. This condition of affairs cannot long exist. Something must be done to check it, and we doubt not the President of the United States within due time takes measures to vindicate the supremacy of the laws. Those who are prematurely prompting action might as well save themselves the trouble. He is as well informed of all that occurs, and as well disposed towards the execution of the law, as any one need be, and he will act, when the emergency requires, with the energy and promptitude necessary to the success of his measures.

We trust the U. S. officers give official information that the U. S. forces are instructed in the peaceful execution of process, and that they will be so employed. He has thus far acted a national part in good faith. He will wish in his oath to preserve and defend the Constitution of the United States, whether assailed by States or individuals.

## ADJOURNMENT OF THE CONVENTION.

After an interesting and able discussion of three hours, the Slave Convention adjourned on Saturday, by a vote of 65 to 62, that when it adjourns to-day (Monday) it will adjourn to meet on the first Monday in January next. Counting four members who paraded with each other, the vote may be stated to have been 68 to 64, leaving three others, who were absent viz: Messrs. Garrett of Essex, Randolph of Albemarle, and Sudwell of Alexandria. The following five last-en-gentlemen voted with the majority viz: Messrs. Carter, White and Janney of Loudon, Wise of Accommack, Chambers of Mecklenburg, Edmunds of Halifax, Tedway and White of Pittsylvania, and Claiborne of Franklin. Of these, Messrs. Carter, White and Wise are for the White. Mr. Stuart of Franklin, the fourth Eastern advocate of the White. Davis voted against the adjournment.

*[Richmond Times.]*

## THE VIRGINIA STATE CONVENTION.

This body adjourned on Monday last, to meet again on the first Monday in January. The alleged reason for this step was that the basis of representation could not be fixed until the Census tables were received, and a Report had from the Auditor. It strikes us as being a very insufficient reason. There was enough to do independent of this basis-question. Action might have been had upon the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial branches of the government—upon the right of a State to secede, and its tenure of office, and upon the fugitive slave, and many other topics. It must have been a desire to�� out an important edict—such as annulling many of the members. Some of them are also members of the Legislature. We shall see whether they attempt to take both positions, or whether they will throw up one of them to the "near people" whom they are so anxious to serve.

We may expect the session to extend to the month of May at least.

## ALEXANDRIA.

Various persons concur in representing that this good old City is assuming quite a business air—the ship at the wharves a few days since gave evidence of increasing prosperity. The construction of the Rail-Road, and the opening of the Coal trade, have given new life to the physical world. In the moral portion, there are no gratifying signs. The schools and churches are still in a state of activity, and the most cheering prospects every where meet the eye of the moralist and philosopher.

The people of Alexandria are setting noble examples to other portions of the Old Dominion—Every thing seems reprented. Even the old men and women are turning up their habits, and living over again portions of their happy days.

## DAGUERREIAN LIKENESSES.

Mr. YANNAH, a Daguerreian Artist of great note, is now in town ready to reflect the persons of the Ladies, Gentlemen, and sons and daughters of the present generation. From the specimens in his room, we take it for granted that he can not be surpassed in his art. Let our fair ones give him a call. For particulars see advertisement.

## A LARGE CABBAGE.

We are often liable to Mrs. Joseph M. Brown for the large cabbages sent us. Stripped of the outside leaves (which we eat now a day or two), it weighs about 15 lbs.

The Norfolk papers state that Dr. Francis Mallory has been appointed Navy Agent at the Norfolk station, in the place of George Loyal, Esq., removed.

The Norfolk papers state that Dr. Francis Mallory will address the people of Norfolk county at the Court House in Martinsburg, on Monday next, the Court Day for that County.

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## CENSUS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY.

## MARYLAND INSTITUTE FAIR.

## GREAT UNION MEETING IN NEW YORK.

(For the Free Press.)

Baltimore, October 24, 1850.

**Messrs. Editors:**—The din and noise that have animated (or I will say disturbed) our city for some days past, have somewhat subsided; and in the quiet of this hour I engage to you such notes of the recent events as may most interest those of your readers, who could not make it convenient to present in person.

It is quite unnecessary, and would be as wearying, for me to furnish you with a detailed account of the ardent and zealous efforts of the mechanics and manufacturers more than a random sketch will be appropriate, and that of only the most striking features.

The three principal floors of the large building known as the Washington Hall, are occupied by the Mechanics' Building, a company of which have no cause to be ashamed anywhere. Various other heavy articles are deposited on this floor, among which are a heavy "slushing machine" used for morticing front door frames; and an apparatus for making cotton cordage, in one operation, from the raw cotton.

Upon the ground floor are two beautiful Fire Engines, the workmanship of Mr. John Rodgers, belonging to the Friendship Fire Company, Baltimore, the other just finished for a company in St. Louis.

There are 1,200 dwellings, and 2,000 families in the whole County, 1,200 white inhabitants; 530 free negroes, 2,417 slaves, making in all above aggregate 15,269 inhabitants, being an increase of 10 per cent over the census of 1840. The total value of real estate is estimated at \$11,674,031.

Although we have not increased so much in population, our lands have greatly increased in value, as well as the amount of trade and business. Mr. M. has provided, under the circumstances, to permit to himself and his wife, and to his children, to increase his means of comfort, and to have a home of his own.

Mr. M. has performed his duty, we doubt not, with great energy, being a business man; but his compensation falls far short of what should be reasonable and honest. Let the Marshals be paid fair compensation for their labor. We do not believe persons could be found to do the work, with knowledge of the labor, for double what is now offered.

## MEETING IN HAMPSHIRE.

In accordance with previous notice, given through the papers of this place, a very large meeting of the citizens of the County was held at the Court-House, on Monday last, for the purpose of hearing Mr. R. R. Parker, a representative in Congress, on the subject of the fugitive slave law, and the measures for its repeal.

Such may be learned by reference to the proceedings as reported by the Secretary, given in article a column, and which will be found in the papers of this meeting, held here on the 12th ult.

## ROCKINGHAM MEETING.

In accordance with the terms of the arrangement, which was made between the Secretary, and the members of the Rockingham Association, the meeting was opened by the Secretary, giving a brief account of the various pieces of legislation, and the progress of the fugitive slave law, and the measures for its repeal.

## THE UNION.

On the left is the Resurrection of the Righteous, which I will only say, one female figure of the dead, and which may be numbered 100,000, some very superior pieces of worsted work, wrought by Miss Letitia Lutz, quite overthrown by number, and a very handsome specimen of the art, which represents the Resurrection. Miss Letitia, a widow, is the author of this.

To the right of the observer is seen a group designed to portray the resurrection of the lost—those who have been lost, and who are seeking their way back to the bosom of their God. In this group, the figures are all in a state of repose, and are supported by a central figure, who is clasped in the arms of the two other subjects; his hands are thrust into the bosom of many more; while his tail, encircling the throat of another, appears to bid fair, it may be, to seize from him the vital spark of life.

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We remember of hearing a story of a fellow who roused a venerable doctor about 12 o'clock one winter's night, and on coming to the door, only inquired,

"Is not your master dead?"

"Not yet," said the victim.

"Well, never mind," said the wag, "I thought I'd just call and inquire, for I found one yesterday."

We thought that rather cool, but the following story of Neil McKinnon, a New York wag, surpasses in impudence anything within recollection. Read and speak for yourself, gentle reader:

When the celebrated Copenhagen Jackson was British Minister in this country, he resided in New York, and occupied a house in Broadway. Neil, one night, at a late hour, in company with a party of rough riders, while passing the house, noticed it was brilliantly illuminated, and that several carriages were waiting at the door.

"Hello!" said our wag, "what's going on at Jackson's?"

One of the company remarked that Jackson had a party that evening.

"What?" exclaimed Neil, "Jackson have a party, and I am not invited? I must see to that."

So stepping up to the door, he gave a ring which soon brought the servant to the door.

"I want to see the British Minister," said Neil.

"You must call some other time," said the servant, "for he is now engaged at a game of whist, and must not be disturbed."

"Don't talk to me that way," said McKinnon, "but go directly and tell the British Minister that I must see him immediately on special business."

The servant obeyed, and delivered his message in so impressive a style as to bring Mr. Jackson to the door, forthwith.

"Well," said Mr. Jackson, "what can be your business with me at this time of night, which is so very urgent?"

"Are you Mr. Jackson?" asked Neil.

"Yes, sir, I am Mr. Jackson."

"The British Minister?"

"Yes, sir."

"You have a party here to-night, I perceive, Mr. Jackson?"

"Yes, sir, I have a party."

"A large party, I presume?"

"Yes, sir, a large party."

Playing cards, I understand?"

"Yes, sir, playing cards."

"Oh, well," said Neil, "as I was passing I merely called to inquire what's trumps?"

**REMEMBRANCE OF PAST BENEFITS.**

I once called on a neighbor, says Hugley, who was watering an old stump of sassafras, and seemed to me to give very little promise of either green leaf or flower.

"Neighbor," said I, "your labor will be lost."

"Perhaps so," said she, "but I can hardly part with my old tree for that. I cannot help calling to my mind what it has been and how often it has made my window look cheerful with its fresh, green leaves, and its fine scarlet flowers."

This reply completely silenced me, for I thought in my heart that my neighbor was right and I was wrong. It is a good sign to remember past advantages.

I called on a friend who was giving mouthfuls of oats in a sieve to an old horse grazing in his paddock.

"True," replied he, "but I have no wish to forget the work he has done for me. My a weary day has been my companion, carrying me safely on his back, or drawing me in my gig; and while Old Dinger lives, I hope never to grudge him a moutful of grass or corn."

"Right," thought I, "and the feeling is a creditable one, but it is not always, nor often, that a poor brute falls into such good hands. I shall think the better of you for your humanity."

I called on a relative who was waited on by every old servant who made sad bladders; indeed, the old man was almost blind and very feeble. "Old Peter's day is over," said I; "sad bladders he makes, and sad bladders he will make, for his day is gone."

"I know it," replied my relative; "but it is his days gone, when he toiled under the roof of the master he has so faithfully served. He has been a good servant to me, and to my father before me, and right little do I expect from him now in the way of service. Peter, I say, has served me, and it is now my turn to serve Peter."

I housed my kind-hearted relative for his remembrance of services, and for his attention to an old servant. So that, to speak the truth, I got good from my neighbor, my friend, and my relative.

Chairs! there are none round about us whose infirmities we ought to bear with; whom we are neglecting, and treating with less kindness than we ourselves, if in their situation should expect? Are there none whose past services we are forgetting or undervaluing who have a just claim on our mercy and thankfulness? Let us take this matter to heart, and give an honest reply.

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