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Advertisement for 'AROUSE, FREEMEN!' and 'DON'T FORGET!' regarding political events and the tariff.

Political.

Democrats, don't forget, when you appear at the polls, says the New Hampshire Argus and Spectator...

AND DON'T FORGET that on a good share of this twenty-six millions, they fixed the rate of interest at 6 per cent...

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Table of electoral votes for President since the foundation of the Government, and of the popular vote at each of the elections.

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VIRGINIA.

From the Richmond Enquirer. The Richmond Whig says that its party will carry Virginia East of the Blue Ridge by 3,000 majority!

Table with columns for District, Candidate, and Votes. Includes '1st District - Isle of Wight, &c.' and '2d " Nottoway, &c.'

Dem. maj. East Blue Ridge 716. We have not a estimate from a well informed gentleman of the Accomack District...

Table with columns for District, Candidate, and Votes. Includes '10th District - Frederick, &c.' and '11th " Ritchie, &c.'

Dem. maj. in Virginia. 5627. Another Federal Fraud. We have just been shown a copy of an address, purporting to have emanated from the "Whig Central Executive Committee of Pennsylvania..."

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THE TARIFF OF '42.

How it taxes the poor man's necessities and don't tax the rich man's luxuries. This act which the Whigs hold up as the paragon of perfection, and which they call the people shall not be modified or changed...

Table with columns for Item and Tax Rate. Includes 'Molasses 75 per cent', 'Iron, from 80 to 250', 'Salt, from 60 to 180'.

READ, AND ANSWER I. The following statement is curious and impressive. It was handed to us by a gentleman conversant with such matters...

Table with columns for Item and Amount. Includes 'Iron - including chains, cart-tires, ploughs, horse-shoes, harrows...' and 'Sugar - brown, 150 pounds, 15.00 3/75'.

How it Operates. FELLOW CITIZENS - Look at the following items (only a part of the system), and then say whether it is deserving of the name of protection to American industry...

Table with columns for Item and Amount. Includes 'Doctor's bill, \$10', 'Parson and church, 15', 'Schools, 10'.

THE DIFFERENCE - The systems which the two political parties advocate at the present time, in reference to a Tariff may be summed up as follows: That of Mr. Clay and his supporters is PROTECTION TO MANUFACTURERS...

THE LABORER AND THE EMPLOYER - The Hartford Times truly says: The employer is as dependent upon the laborer, as the laborer is upon the employer. The employer gets his living and his money in a great degree from the laborer who hires him...

Wants Engraves - Mr. Leigh, President of the central Clay Club, spoke a few days since at Fredericksburg, and was informed on a local authority, concerning three Whig Democrats...

MR. WEBSTER'S PORTRAITS OF HENRY CLAY.

From the Washington Globe. After thirty years' acquaintance with Mr. Clay in 1843, Mr. Webster sketched this portrait of him for the Madisonian. It will be seen that the outline embraces the character of Mr. Clay from the time he and Mr. Webster met in Congress, down to 1842, when they parted...

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A PROUD CONTRAST.

How stands the Democratic party before the nation? In a noble contrast with its adversary. Encouraging pure morality and true religion in the unpurged characters of those it presents for the highest offices in the nation.

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DEMOCRATIC CREED.

The following extracts from the writings of Thomas Jefferson, is a brief exposition of the principles of Democracy.

DEMOCRACY - Equal and exact justice to all men of whatever State and persuasion, religious or political - peace, commerce and honest friendship with all nations, entangling alliances with none; the support of the State Government, in all their rights, as the most competent administration of our domestic concerns, and the surest bulwarks against anti-republican tendencies; the preservation of the general government in its whole constitutional vigor, as the sheet anchor of our peace at home, and safety abroad; a mild corrective of abuses, which are lapped by the sword of revolution, where peaceable remedies are unprovided for; absolute acquiescence in the decisions of the majority, the vital principle of republics, from which it is no appeal but to force; the vital principle of immediate parent of despotism; a well disciplined militia, our best reliance in peace, and for the first moments of war, till regulars may relieve them; the supremacy of the civil over the military authority; economy in the public expence, that labor may be lightly burdened; the honest payment of our debts and sacred preservation of the public faith; encouragement of agriculture, and of commerce as its handmaid; the diffusion of information, and arrangement of all talents at the bar of public reason; freedom of religion, freedom of press, and freedom of person under the protection of the habeas corpus; trial by juries impartially selected. These principles form the highest constellation which has gone before us and guided our steps through an age of revolution and reformation. The wisdom of our sages and blood of our heroes have been devoted to their attainment; they should be the creed of our political faith; the test of civil instructions, the touchstone to try the service of those we trust, and should we wander from them in moments of error or alarm, let us hasten to retrace our steps; and to regain the road that alone leads to peace, liberty and safety.

PROTECTION TO LABOR. - The pretence of the Tarif men that their system raises the wages of labor, is mathematically and demonstrably false.

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WHY ANNEX TEXAS? Because the Father of Democracy, the patriot Jefferson, bought it of France and paid the money of the nation for it.

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