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| THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY. <br> The following tribute to the ability and industry of Mr. Walker, the Secretary of the Treasury, is no doubt richly merited. We presume that no Administration has over been more violently and constantly opposed and abused thin the present, and nf all the members of the Cabinet, probably |  |
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| has been the special object of abuse and ridicule by the Whig party; he has been denounced in |  |
| every possible manner, and in order to make him ojectionable, in some way or other to the American |  |
| people, he has been dubbed by some of the Whigs with an English title. Notwithatanding all this |  |
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| wpposition; abuse and ridicule, he has firmly, steadily and ruccessfully performed the important and responsible duties devolved upon him by the Con- |  |
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| responsible duties devolved upon him by the Constitution, without "fear, favor or affection," showing to his enemies that he little regarded their |  |
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| ing to his enemies that he little regarded their sneers, and proving to his friends and indeed to |  |
| the world, that his allegiance to the principles of his party was by no means incompatible with his |  |
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| loyalty to his country, and that he has served both with a zeal, ability and success which must com- |  |
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| mand their highest admiration und increased confidence. |  |
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| We take pleasure in copying the following from the Washington Correspondence of the Baltimore Sun:- |  |
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| reading a valuable Sitate document. Ir the Secretary of the Treasury manages to financier through this war, he will deserve the acknowledgments of |  |
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| the country. No government has as yet managed so ably to defray the expenses of costly armaments |  |
| great capitalists, as ours. We have the financier of the country opposed almost to s man to |  |
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| ment, and yet the latter the financier of the government, und yet he latter preserves its credit in the midst of the most savag opposition. |  |
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| GEN. SCOTT.We learn from the New York Sun, of Saturday, |  |
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| that Gen. Scott, with his staff; left that city on Friday, in the steamer Southerner, on their way to |  |
| the seat of war. We are pleased, also, (says the |  |
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| Richmond Enquirer,) to learn, that Gen. S. leaves with a mind eatisfied as to the position to which |  |
| the Administrationn has thought proper to call him. So far as we are concerned, we are disposed to |  |
| let "by-gones be by-gones." He has gone to serve his country, and, so long as he faithfully discharges his duty, he will not find us backward in awarding the proper meed of praise. |  |
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| $\qquad$ <br> It seems that the story about Mr. Bancrof's |  |
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| were made to a Cabinet Council in London, held on the 29 th of October, while the fact is notorious, that he did not arrive in that City until the 3oth. |  |
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| American Minister would be called upon by a Cabinet Council for such information; this fact of itself proves the whole story to be a ridiculous |  |
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| and was buried in the best manner the nature of the country, and the circumstances of the case |  |
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| not to have foreseen the want, and sent out a ship load of coffins, as a part of the camp equipage of |  |
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| parations!), In the catmp rever broke out amongour troops, and prostrated and killed many, again our troops, and prostrated and kine many, eqa |  |
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| adminiatration! If the President, after a suc cessful battle, humanely anxious to terminate a |  |
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| quer a peace,' it was, 'Oh! this rash and fool-hardy administration, will it never cease to lavish the blood and treasure of the country? In short, do |  |
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| what it woold, the adminissration nerer could pleasethese fastidious Whig gentlemen, for the simple reason, that they were determined not to be pleased with any thing from the first." We have been struck with the truth and force |  |
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| of the above language of Major Forsyth, of the Columbus (Ga.) Times, (just returned from the |  |
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| seat of war, and therefore qualified to judge of the actual state of things, ) in reading the bitter as- |  |
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| with additional vigor. We will not doubt the patriotic professions of the Whig press in their avow- |  |
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| ernment below the standard of Mexican imbecility and fatuity ; when we see that paper utter in |  |
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| brious language as the following - "The inconsistences and vacillations of the policy which has |  |
| been pursued, would disgrace the councils even of the distracted government which we are endeav- |  |
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| they throw difficulties in the way of a speedy termination of the war, and, by damping the ardor of those who have to fight our battles, virtually en- |  |
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| those who have to fight our battles, virtually encourage the enemy in his mad, insolent and suicidal courre.-Richmond Enquirer. |  |
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