



SPRIT OF JEFFERSON.



CHARLESTOWN: Friday Morning, November 19, 1847.

THE WILMOT PROVISIO.

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IN A RUSS.

The Whig party are just at this time in a condition of betwixt, from which it is hard to tell by what means they can be extricated. The "Prematurists" have overhauled the mark, and from their pledges of "No Convention," "No party candidate," have committed themselves to a course which it is madness to pursue, and base truckling and subservience to desert.

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THE TIME TO SUBSCRIBE.

The present is a favorable period for those who wish to take a paper, to subscribe for one. The long winter evenings which are now approaching, will give all classes, and especially those in the country, an abundance of time for reading, and we promise that in the news, political, and miscellaneous department of our paper, something can be found that will be of interest to all.

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THE MEXICAN NEWS.

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CAPT. WALKER.

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GEN. SCOTT'S OFFICIAL DESPATCHES.

Nearly twelve columns of the Union, of Saturday night, are filled with despatches from General Scott, and the reports of Generals Worth, Twiggs, Shields, Pillow, Smith, Quitman, and Col. Harney, those despatches were brought to New Orleans from Vera Cruz by Mr. Hayes, one of the editors of the Delta, but several reports to which Gen. Scott refers are missing.

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MR. CLAY'S SPEECH.

Great anxiety has been manifested as to the course Mr. Clay would pursue in his speech at Lexington, Ky., on Saturday last. The meeting was a very large one, and the distinguished speaker refused to have his remarks reported, the resolutions he offered are only given as the basis upon which he argued.

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