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THE EMBROIDERED

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COL. JOHNSON

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THE NASHVILLE BANNER

The Nashville Banner of Wednesday says:—'Ex-President Jackson is in town this week, attending the trial of three of his negroes charged with killing a negro man belonging to Stokely Duaneau, Esq. We saw the Ex-President at the Court House, yesterday, very busy in giving directions to his counsel, in his own emphatic manner...

THE LATE FIRE AT HARRERS-FERRY

Our statements last week were based upon what we deemed good authority; but the Winchester Virginian of yesterday says:—'We have ascertained from one of the gentlemen connected with the firm Messrs. Rowland, Heisterkamp & Co. who were successful in obtaining the insurance of \$15,000, and about twelve thousand bushels of wheat and two to three hundred barrels of flour burned, instead of the quantity mentioned in the Press. The fire was not confined to the premises, but it was a most disastrous incendiary...

THE SWARTWOUT RECESSION

The report of the Swartwout Recession of Congress, the determination of the new Government, this report amounted to a surprise and a source of great interest to the public. It was announced by the President of the United States, in a message to Congress, on the 10th inst. It was a most important and interesting document, and one which would have been read with interest by every citizen...

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The petition prays that Congress will pay no regard to the abolition memorial, sent to this District from the North. It says that the fourth certain reason, showing why the abolitionists have no right to interfere, is, that the petitioners are not citizens of the District of Columbia. Mr. Clay spoke for an hour upon the subject of slavery, abolition, &c. &c. His speech is one of the best he ever delivered, and well agreed to be one of the whole South and the thinking portion of the country...

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WHIGS

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Mr. Mason returned. As to what had taken place in New York, if the gentleman's statement was confined exclusively to them, then Mr. M. had nothing to do with the matter. But as one, who had differed vitally and essentially from the Administration on one most important measure, relating to the finances of the country, he declined, on that question, for himself, and he believed he might equally for his brother recruits from the South, to stand aloof from both the great parties of the country. He was, on the one hand, utterly unmoved by the wrath of those from whom he had separated, and equally unmoved by the fact that their opponents had united at times with the small band to which it was his pride to belong. He could have no alliance with the Whig party; and he did not think it would be expedient to unite with them, though they might be able to do so, and though they might be able to do so, and though they might be able to do so...

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Intelligence.

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of Special Payment by the State Bank. The 6th inst., express great announcement of a second...

Mr. Atkinson, on Saturday afternoon, at the residence of the Rev. Mr. Sire, in Winchester...

of boys in the city of Boston—all of whom, it appears from reports, are in public or private...

widened. The New York Journal and Commerce says that the Merrimack of Lowell, divided in 1840...

MEXICO. The political condition of the Republic does not vary from day to day. Civil dissensions...

happy to learn from a gentleman who had returned from the front, that hostilities have been terminated between France and Mexico...

RECAPFUL FACT.—A man by the name of William White, who had been confined in the county jail at N. H. for the past eight years...

CONVENTIONERS.

We invite attention to the suggestion contained in the following: CALLS UPON THE WHIGS OF JEFFERSON...

There being now already in the field, an independent candidate for the suffrage of the Whigs, it is much to be desired that there should be a large and general attendance...

It is most earnestly to be hoped, for the preservation of the unity and harmony of the Whig party, as well as for the high honour and standing of our country, that the Whigs will see the necessity of holding a meeting...

THE TEMPERANCE CAUSE. Messrs. Editors: When the marriage has been tested for many days in this cold and stormy season...

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APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT. Andrew G. Miller, to be Judge of the Superior Court for the District of Wisconsin...

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Merchandise for Sale. I am desirous of selling a quantity of choice...

Virginia to sell. The Virginia Superior Court of Law and Equity, in and for the County of Loudoun...

Commissioner's Office. Feb. 12th, 1839. The parties the above mentioned are hereby notified, that I shall attend at my Office...

Trust Sale. By virtue of a deed of trust, executed by John Peter to the undersigned as trustee, bearing date on the 24th day of April, 1828...

NEW GOODS. The subscriber would announce to his friends, customers, and the public generally, that he has received a large quantity of choice...

House and Lot for Sale. Will be sold, at public sale, in front of Gorrell's tavern in Charleston, on Monday the 12th inst. (February).

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