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MEXICO

We have been favored with the perusal of several documents relative to the internal affairs of Mexico. Some of them exhibit the crooked policy of that self-styled republic in a particularly curious light. Although they be 8th of sixty recent date, these documents are of sufficient consequence to merit a passing comment.

The most prominent of these papers is, unquestionably, a proclamation of President Bustamente in which he declares that Santa Ana merits the gratitude of the Mexican nation as much for his past as for his present services, recommending at the same time, in every good Mexican, to concede in his views and to confide him as president *ad interim*, adding that his Excellency, who was elevated to the chief magistracy of the people, will be frette give the example of obedience to Santa Ana.

It was perfectly natural that Bustamente should so treat the Mexican people to yield entire obedience to the president *ad interim*. So natural indeed as to appear superfluous, after obedience would seem to be the necessary tribute to the exaltation of usurpers like Santa Ana. If such a recommendation from Bustamente was uncalled for, it was no doubt requested and well understood by Santa Ana, who, we imagine, must have dictated it and will profit by it to the utmost possible extent. We may boldly predict that Santa Ana will so far take advantage of present power and of the recommendation of Bustamente as ere long to become absolute and sole president of Mexico.

To an artful and ambitious man like Santa Ana the declaration of Bustamente is tantamount to an abdication of his rights to the chief magistracy. Already popular, firmly established in the presidential chair secured as it were in his place of power by the consent of his competitor, Santa Ana will take care to maintain Bustamente in a subordinate and inferior sphere. The latter has invested his former rival with the supreme authority distinctly declaring that he was best entitled to it, on account of his talents, or his eminent services. So he has enlisted for his success on the implicit confidence and obedience of the people. Should he ever seek to gain the presidential seat, Santa Ana will be a moral certainty opposed him, and, availing himself of the various resources offered him by the actual possession of power, that opposition will most probably prove successful. Should the rumored invasion of Texas be really attempted, the absence of Bustamente will be more readily enable Santa Ana to develope and mature his crafty project of retaining the supreme control over the nation, and whatever may be the fate of the former—whether he experience the fortunes of his predecessor on the plains of another San Jacinto, and expiate with his life the rashness and folly of endeavoring to subdue our sister republic or return in safety to his countrymen, he will be shown not never to resume the station and dignity he has so unduly and as it would seem so blindly surrendered.

PROSCRIPTION

The removal of Mr. John Campbell, treasurer of the United States, those in offering to the turbulent and vindictive spirit of locofocoism, will not matter by benefit that intolerant faction. Mr. Campbell is a gentleman of the Old Dominion, a brother of the present governor of that state. We learn from the Madisonian that he had been repeatedly urged by Gen. Jackson to accept the office of treasurer of the United States, and had as often firmly and respectfully declined. Mr Van Buren was employed by the president as an intercessor, and Mr Campbell was at last persuaded by the honeyed flatteries and apparent zeal and anxiety of Mr. Van Buren to accept the office.

Since the period when Mr Campbell entered upon his functions the duties of the station have been performed with scrupulous accuracy and undeviating integrity. No complaint was alleged against him. He possessed but a solitary fault, but that was a damning one, unpardonable one in the eyes of the unprincipled and restless clique at the head of national affairs—he *never opposed to the sub-treasury*. Having abundant opportunities in the performance of his official duties to investigate the character of this financial scheme, he became convinced that it would not answer. He had, too, the independence not to conceal his opinions. This placed him under the ruthless ban of the administration; but with a dastardly truckling to every success ors entirely in keeping with the chary to of the associates of Mr Van Buren it was determined to defer the removal of Mr Campbell until after the Virginia elections. Two objects were to be subserved by this delay: firstly an example of such flagrant incontinent and lingering proscription would, it was feared, operate unfavorably upon the pending contest. Secondly it was desirable that Mr. Selden, the locofoco candidate for congress in the Richmond district should be reserved in case of defeat to his ungracious resignation of public office in order to become a candidate. The election being over and Mr Selden beaten, the project of the administration could be at once carried into execution. Mr. Campbell was removed, because he loves democracy better than the sub treasury, and Mr. Selden has or will have his place as a soothing remuneration for the mortifications of disappointment. Whether Virginia will relish this insult to her political sentiments remains to be seen. An exponent of the sub-treasury and brother of the governor of the Old Dominion is displaced, to make way for a sinking and swimming partizan, whom the people have already rejected.

LIFE BOATS

A Boston paper relates an instance, proving the importance of life boats, an occurrence which took place during the late cruise of the United States Cutter Hamilton on the north western coast.

"While sailing up the Bay of Fundy, towards St Johns, in very rough weather, the Hamilton shipped a heavy sea, which carried away the life boat. On looking down the bay, the Hamilton fell in with the boat, which she picked up. It was found that she had not lost an oar or a single article belonging to her. Previous to her being washed overboard the inside of the bottom of the boat had been taken out, and had not been replaced at the time of the accident. We understand that there was but little water in her when she was picked up, and Captain Sturgis is of opinion that she freed herself. So well secured was the boat, and so great was the force of the sea shipped, that the ringbolts and part of the stern were drawn a out. When discovered, the boat was sitting nobly on the sea, and there is every reason for supposing that her crew, who would have been the same had she contained a crew."

Dreadful Massacre on our N. W. Coast.—Sandwich Island papers of February 19th, bring intelligence that Captain Bancroft, of the brig Lama, was barbarously murdered at the Island of Santa Rosa by 25 Indians on the north west coast, whom he had taken on board to trade. Mr. Bancroft was a native of 240 Londonians are 12p. Sugar and molasses have a ready market also, at 10@12c for molasses, and 5@6c for sugar. Rice is in demand at 3@3½c. Hides are in demand at 10@12c for dry, and 6@7c for salted. Tallow is in demand at 8@9c. Oil is in demand at 50@60c for sperm, and 30@35c for whale. Spermaceti candles are in demand at 25@30c. Sperm candles are in demand at 25@30c. Whale candles are in demand at 18@20c. Dry goods