



Staunton Spectator

STAUNTON, VA. TUESDAY, MAY 22, 1860.

FOR PRESIDENT, JOHN B. HILL, OF TENNESSEE.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT, EDWARD EVERETT, OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Important Notice.

It is very important that all accounts due this office on the 1st of the present month, shall be settled as soon as possible.

Senator Douglas's speech.

The speech recently delivered in the United States Senate by Mr. Douglas, in reply to Mr. Davis, of Mississippi, on the resolutions offered by the latter, defining the duty of Congress to protect slavery in the Territories, was quite a great affair.

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So in 1860, Mr. Douglas contends, non-interference, according to his understanding of it, was re-endorsed, and the Georgia "fire-eaters" then became "abolitionists perforce."

When the Kansas-Nebraska bill came up, the doctrine was asserted again. The record proves, says Mr. Douglas, "beyond all dispute or protest, that those who voted the bill pledged themselves for non-interference, and that non-interference meant that Congress should not interfere for any purpose, either to prohibit or protect, establish or abolish slavery."

Mr. Douglas comes down, in the course of his speech, to the Cincinnati Convention of 1858. There, he contends, the same doctrine was asserted, and Mr. Buchanan approved it in his letter of acceptance.

Mr. Douglas refers to an advertisement, in this issue, of an engraving of Peale's celebrated painting of the Court of Death. The New York Observer says, of the Engraving and the Publisher:

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The Japanese Embassy.

The Japanese Embassy, which arrived in this city on Saturday, the 14th, is the United States steamer, the Commodore, which was chartered by the Government to convey the party to Washington.

After being detained in the city for about twenty minutes, they were taken up to the gate of the yard, which is about a third of a mile from the wharf, still bareheaded, and then put into carriages, two large omnibuses being provided for the interior of the Embassy, on the top of one of which was placed the treaty box.

The Government troops, consisting of the President's Mounted Guard, the United States Artillery from the Arsenal, and the United States Marines, then proceeded their way with considerable difficulty and delay through the crowd of carriage and omnibus.

The procession moved along on the whole line from the Bay and gave the streets were crowded with people all anxious to get a sight of the strangers, and notwithstanding the annoyance to which they were subjected, which they seemed to take with good humor, their countenances were bright and cheerful.

On reaching the avenue the crowd of boys and negroes around the carriages became denser. The black youth, who were armed with sticks and stones, which they laughed heartily.

The precise character of the mission was not ascertained till Monday night, the 14th, when the Ambassador addressed our Republican friends on "his Majesty's" behalf.

The Japanese presents to the President were opened on Friday. The articles are of the most magnificent description; medals richly encrusted and adorned with gold and silver, silk bed curtains and bed screens, similar to those used in the palaces of the Japanese.

The ladies of the Presbyterian congregation will hold their Annual Fair, at Union Hall, on Friday the 1st day of June. They will be prepared as usual to furnish all the good things of the season to those who are fond of eatables.

The two volunteer companies from Staunton attended the Regimental Muster at Spring Hill and Middlebrook, adding much to the fine military display on those occasions.

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The Republican Convention.

The Republican Convention to nominate a candidate for President and Vice President of the United States, met in Chicago on Wednesday, the 17th inst., and continued till the 20th.

The Convention had an excited session Thursday, and finally adjourned for the day with a recessing till Friday.

On Friday, the Convention proceeded to ballot for candidates. Lincoln first received as follows: Seward 178; Lincoln 12; Wade 51; Fremont 12; McLean 12; Wade 51; Dayton 12.

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