Nothing had been definitely settled, and the prevailing opinion in London seemed to be that the two Powers, through their official agents, were humbugging one another, each in the hope of making the best bargain for their respective Governments. It was a prevailing opinion, too, among the best informed in China and England, that additional hostilities would precede definite pacific negotiations.

From the Continent the political news is without interest. The Court of Peers in France had closed their deliberations on the effort which had been made to destroy the King's life. The Chamber of Deputies were engaged in the discussion of the budget! The news of the death of President Harrison had been noticed by a meeting of American citizens at Paris, at the house of the American Consul. The American Minister pronounced a glowing eulogium upon his old friend, which was unanimously and feelingly responded to by the adoption of resolutions. Espartero is to be sole Regent of Spain during the minority of the Queen. He received 179 of the 290 votes cast in the Spanish Cortes. Don Carlos has become a public beggar. All the Courts had contributed something for his support excepting Russia, which would join with the rest. His stipend is to be 200,000 francs. The Egyptian question is settled to the satisfaction of all parties. Mehemit Ali is invested with the Pashalic of Egypt, and has the government of that province with hereditary descent in direct line. Other powers hitherto denied by the Sultan are also granted.

The news from Europe has produced no effect upon the market here. But little has been done in stocks, but, so far as there is a change, it is for the worse.

WRECK OF THE SHIP WILLIAM BROWN.

The New York Commercial Advertiser states that a very long and interesting letter has been received by the Atlantic Insurance Company of that city, giving an account of the melancholy loss of the above named vessel, additional particulars of which will be found below. The following are the names of the unfortunate passengers that were on board at the time. It will be perceived on referring to an extract from a Halifax paper, that the jolly boat had succeeded in getting into Newfoundland, with 9 persons on board.

The letter also says, too much praise cannot be bestowed on Captains Ball and Stoddard, who picked them up. The merchants of Havre have made a subscription for the passengers and crew — Messrs. Lewis, Rogers & Co. have offered them a passage gratis to the United States.

Names of passengers shipped in Liverpool on board the ship William Brown of Philadelphia, George L. Harris, master bound to said port.

The following seventeen were saved:

James Patrick, Matilda Patrick and child, James Black and wife, Bridget McGee, Bridget Nugent, Julia Maccaden Nancy Bradley, Sarah Corr, Mary Corr, Owen Corr, Jean Edgar, Susan Edgar Isabella Edgar, Margaret Edgar, Jane Johnston Edgar.

The following thirty were lost in the Wm. Brown:

Wm. Laden, Jane Laden and ten children, Nicholas Corr, Mary Corr, and five children, Mrs. Anderson and three children, John Davelin, Jane Anderson, Mary Bradly, Mary Connelly, Mary Jane Neil. Martin Morris, wife and children,

In the jolly boat, with Capt. Geo. L. Harris, Eliza Lafferty.

The following sixteen were thrown from the long boat.

James Todd. Owen Reilly. John Nugent, Geo. Duffy, Francis Erskine, Mary Erskine, Ellen Erskine, John Welsh, Hugh Keigan, Martin McIvoe, James McIvoe, Thomas Nugent, John Wilson, James Smith, Robert Hunter, Chas. Coulon.

Besides the accounts published yesterday, Galignani's Messenger has the following particulars:

"The ship was of Philadelphia: her company consisted of seventeen persons, and she had 65 steerage passengers, nearly all Irish, with a full cargo on board She had had a rough passage out and struck against a field of ice at 9, P. M., when going under all sails, at the rate of ten knots an hour, in lat. 43 deg. 40 min, north, and long. 43 deg. 39 min. west, by account. She stove in her larboard bow, and within two minutes struck another field of ice.

The ship soon began to fill, and the captain and crew got out the boats, which were cleared away at 11. At midnight the ship went down, and the thirty passengers who could not be taken into the boat, were drowned in her. They lay by each other till 5, A. M., when the captain in the cutter steered for Newfoundland. The longboat being very heavily laden with so many persons, 42 in all, could not be managed, and was obliged to steer to the south. At midnight she fell in with more ice, and the wind came on to blow hard, the boat began to leak badly, and shipped a good deal of water.

Finding she was likely to sink, the mate consulted with the crew, and it was deemed necessary to throw overboard such of the passengers as was nearly dead. Sixteen were then thrown into the sea and perished; while the rest were nearly stiff with the extreme cold Shortly after a ship hove in sight and the captain, who was up aloft, looking out for ice, saw the boat, and stood for her at the imminent risk of his own safety. This proved to be the Crescent, and they were received with the greatest humanity and kindness on board. At that time ice was in sight on the surface of the Atlantic as far as the eye could reach. Out of the passengers saved ten were women." The Havre Journals adds to this dreadful narrative, that the first passenger thrown overboard was a woman. Sisters and relations were afterward thrown at the time of the accident, a cargo of the estimated value of $400,000, the loss of which it is added, will be greatly felt by the merchants of Halifax. We copy the following particulars from the Miramichi paper:—American.

The ship Paragon, Auld from Liverpool, bound to Halifax, was run down at two o'clock, on the morning of the 8th inst., by a large ship, supposed to be one of the New York liners. A number of the crew, and four passengers, arrived here on Friday last, in the Bellona. We have been kindly furnished by the captain of the last named vessel, with a statement made by the mate of the Paragon, whose watch it was when the melancholy accident occurred, from which we take the following particulars.

On the 8th of May, at 2 o'clock, A. M., the weather stormy and the ship being under three close reefed topsails, and very thick at the time, saw a large ship running for our midships; we not having time to keep our vessel away, we gave all the alarm we possibly could, but it was of no avail, the ship struck the Paragon amidships, and cut her down as far as we could see. We then hailed the ship, and requested them not to leave us as we were making water very fast, but we received no answer, and she bore away from us. She had bright sides, with white mouldings, and from her appearance, we supposed her to be one of the New York Line of packets — We were then a total wreck, our main and mizen-masts being carried away, and all the boats stove in.

We then commenced to lighten the ship by throwing the cargo overboard, to nail canvass on her sides, and all the hands that could be spared were placed at the pumps, but all our efforts were futile, the ship rapidly made water, and was sinking fast. At six P. M., we saw a barque bearing down for us, which proved to be the London of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, bound to Liverpool. We requested the captain to lie by us till the following morning, which he humanely did, and at seven o'clock, we abandoned the Paragon, she at that time having from 7 to 9 feet of water in her hold. On the 11th May, we put 13 of the crew and four passengers on board the Bellona bound to Miramichi.

WHIG STATE GUBERNATORIAL CONVENTION.

In pursuance of public notice, the Delegates from the several counties in Maryland, in number equalling the representation in the State Legislature, assembled in Baltimore, on Thursday the 3d inst in the Saloon of the Law Buildings.

At 10 o'clock Charles H. Pitts, Esq. of Baltimore City, called the Convention to order, and moved that Gen. Thomas Emory of Queen Anne County, take the Chair, which motion was unanimously carried.

On motion of Gen. S. C Leakin of Baltimore City, William H. Watson Esq. of Baltimore, was appointed Secretary:

The Secretary having been directed to call the roll, the following list of Delegates was handed in, of whom ninety-two answered to their names:—

Queen Anne County—Gen. Thomas Emory, Col. Jas. Merrick, Thomas Granger, Wm. Hemsley.

Washington County—Col. J Hollingsworth, J. Dixon Roman, H. W. Dillinger Lewis Zeigler. Jos Weist.

Somerset County—Wm. W. Handy. Dr. Wm. Williams, Dr. C. Dashiell, Josh. R. Handy, John S. Dashiell.

Worcester County—Dr. John S. Martin, Col E. Hearn, Wm. Showell, Wm. J. Leonard, Edwin Forman.

Calvert County—Samuel Turner, Chas. J. Jones, Wm. McDaniel.

Cecil County—Dr. T. A. Roberts, Dr C. H. Parker, J. Simpers. Ellis Reynolds.

Kent County—J. B Ricaud, Thos. J Mann, James F. Browne, Ebenezer Welch.

Montgomery County—H. C Gaither, G. C. Patterson, George W. Dawson, Wm M. Stewart, R Y. Brent.

St. Mary's County—Cornelius Coombs Randolph Jones, Henry W. Thomas, J. M. S. Causin

Annapolis City—Nicholas Brewer of John.

Caroline County—Z W. Potter Jas. Dukes, Thos. H. Slaughter, Thos. Wheeler.

Baltimore County—Horatio Hollingsworth, Wm. Matthews, Wm. Hutchings, E. G. Kilburn, C. D. Goodwin, W. Govan Howard, H. Hollingsworth.

Anne Arundel County—C. S. W. Dorsey, Gen. T. Hood, Leonard Igleheart, J. Y. Worthington, Wm. O'Hara.

Allegany County—Alpheus Beale, Hanson B. Pigman, Thos. Shiver, Wm. Pitts.

Dorchester County—W. T. Goldsborough, Reuben Tall, James Thompson, B. G. King, Chas. B. Frazer.

Baltimore City—Gen. S. C. Leakin, Charles M. Keyser, Chas. H. Pitts, Job Smith, Jr., Jas. L Ridgely, Wm. H. Watson.

Frederick County—Richard Coale. Wm. J. Ross. Robt. Annan, Dr. J. Baer, Joshua Doub, Benjamin Neidig, Thos. Sappington.

Talbot County—Sam'l. Hambleton. Jr. John Harrington, Thomas Hopkins, Gen. T. Tilghman.

Harford County—Dr. C. H. Bradford. James Moores, Dr J. Montgomery, Dr. W. B. Hopkins, Dr. T. C. Hopkins.

Charles County—John Matthews, John G. Chapman, P. W. Crain, Geo. Brent.

Carroll County—Joseph Steele, Sterling Galt, John Smith, A. F. Shriver, Wm. Jordan.

Prince George's County—Gen. Sam. Sprigg, Thos. G. Pratt, Thomas Duckett, S. Arnold, Robert W. Bowie.

Charles H. Pitts, Esq. of Baltimore then moved that a committee consisting of one delegate from each county and one from the city of Baltimore be appointed by the Chair to nominate officers for the regular organization of the Convention.

The motion having been adopted, the following Committee was appointed by the Chair:—

A. F. Shriver, of Carroll
W. T. Goldsborough, of Dorchester
Gen. S. C. Leakin, of Baltimore City
Col. Hollingsworth, of Washington
J. M. S. Causin, of St. Mary's
Wm. Hemsley, of Queen Anne
H. B. Pigman, of Allegany
J. G. Chapman, of Charles
Edw'd. Forman, of Worcester
Dr. McDaniel, of Calvert
J. B. Ricaud, of Kent
Z. Potter, of Caroline
Col. S. W. Dorsey, of Anne Arundel.
Wm. Matthews, of Baltimore County
Richard Coale, of Frederick
Dr. Montgomery, of Harford
Dr. Wm. Williams, of Somerset
H. C. Gaither, of Montgomery
Dr. T. A. Roberts, of Cecil
Sam'l. Hambleton Jr., of Talbot
Nicholas Brewer, of Annapolis City
Robt. W. Bowie, of Prince Georges

The Committee then retired and after deliberation made the following nominations:—

PRESIDENT,
Gov. SAMUEL SPRIGG, of Prince Georges
VICE PRESIDENTS.
Col. J HOLLINGSWORTH. of Washington
Gen. TENCH TILGHMAN of Talbot co.
SECRETARIES.
W. H. WATSON, of Baltimore City.
ALPHEUS BELL, of Allegany.

The nomination of the Committee was unanimously concurred in, and the officers having been conducted to their seats, Gov. Sprigg briefly returned his thanks for the honor conferred on him, and hoped that the proceedings of the Convention would be conducted with harmony and unanimity.

Mr. Ricaud, of Kent county, moved that in balloting for a candidate for Governor, the vote of each county should be given according to the number of delegates in the General Assembly of Maryland. The motion was adopted.

Mr. A. F. Shriver, of Carroll county then nominated the Hon. WILLIAM COST JOHNSON, as the candidate for Governor.

Gen. Chapman of Charles county nominated the Hon. RICHARD POTTS of Frederick.

Mr. Ricaud, of Kent county nominated JOHN LEE, Esq of Frederick county.

Mr. James Moores, of Harford, nominated Dr R. H. ARCHER, of Harford county.

Mr. J. Dixon Roman, of Washington county, stated that he had been authorised to withdraw the name of WM. PRICE, Esq. as a candidate for Governor, and on the authority of the delegation from that county, accordingly withdrew it.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot, the Chair having appointed Gen. Leakin of Baltimore City and J. B. Ricaud of Kent County, Tellers.

On motion of James L. Ridgely, Esq it was resolved that a majority of all the votes cast should be requisite to constitute a choice.

The names of the delegates having been called, they severally deposited their ballots with the Tellers, who reported the following as the result:—

William Cost Johnson	51
Richard Potts	39
John Lee	5
R. H. Archer	5

The President then declared that under a resolution just passed, the Hon WILLIAM COST JOHNSON was declared to have been duly selected as the choice of the Convention, and he was accordingly declared the candidate of the Whig party for the office of Governor of Maryland, and the President of the Convention was requested to inform Mr Johnson of his nomination.

A vote of thanks to the officers of the Convention was then passed.

A motion was made and adopted that the President of the Convention be requested to appoint, at his leisure, a State Central Committee.

On motion of Gen. Leakin, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

MARYLAND STATE COLONIZATION CONVENTION.

The Convention met on Thursday the 3d inst. at 11 o'clock at the Light Street Church, and was organized by calling to the Chair DANIEL MURRAY, Esq. of Anne Arundel, and the appointment of BRANTZ MAYER, Esq. of Baltimore city, Secretary.

The names of the delegates present were reported to the Chair and arranged according to their respective counties. It was found that delegations were in attendance from every county except Somerset and Worcester,—and these vacancies were filled in the afternoon session by the arrival of delegates from these counties.

A committee of one from each county and one from Baltimore city, was appointed to nominate permanent officers for the Convention The following gentlemen were accordingly proposed and elected:

President,
JOHN NELSON, of Baltimore city.
Vice Presidents,
Rev. JOHN MINES, of Montgomery
OTHO SCOTT of Harford
JOHN G. CHAPMAN, of Charles
Dr. A. C. THOMPSON, of Dorchester
Gen. T. EMORY, of Queen Anne
Gen. T. TILGHMAN, of Talbot
HANSON B. PIGMAN, of Allegany
WM. H. TUCK, of Prince George's.
Secretaries,
BRANTZ MAYER, } of Baltimore city.
HUGH D. EVANS, }

These officers being duly elected, the Convention was fully organized yesterday afternoon.

A communication from the Board of Managers, addressed to the Convention in reference to Colonization, was read: and its statements and details were listened to with much interest. On motion of JOHN G. CHAPMAN, Esq., the same was refered to a committee of one from each county and the city of Baltimore, with directions to report thereon.

The report of this committee will come up this morning, and the matters presented by it will form the definite subjects of discussion in the convention to-day.

A resolution was passed appropriating the galleries of the church to the ladies who may attend to witness the deliberations of the Convention, to which they are invited. The Convention adjourned till 10 o'clock this morning.

From the Balt. American of Saturday.

COLONIZATION CONVENTION.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment, yesterday morning, at 10 o'clock. The committee to whom the communication from the Board of Managers had been referred, reported a series of resolutions. The debates that arose upon these, especially upon the third one of the series, continued without intermission until half past two.

The discussion still pending, the Convention adjourned till five P. M., when the resolution in question, with some modifications was passed, together with the rest of the series reported by the committee. We hope to present to our readers on Monday, a regular account of the proceedings of the Convention from the records of the secretaries.

In the meantime, we may remark, that the debates yesterday were in the highest degree animated, earnest and able. The sentiments of some of the most intelligent gentlemen of the State, from the several counties, were delivered fully and freely and were no doubt in accordance with the general tenor of public feeling throughout the commonwealth on the interesting matters before the Convention.

We may congratulate the friends of Colonization on the results of the free interchange of opinions and views which this Convention has been the means of bringing about. The members of it will return to their respective homes more deeply impressed than ever with the importance of the enterprise—more fully satisfied concerning its feasibility—nay assured of a certainty, that with proper co-operation on the part of the people of Maryland, the success of the undertaking can no longer be doubted.

One of the most important acts of the Convention was to take measures for the establishment of direct commercial intercourse between this port and Cape Palmas. We may soon expect to see a regular packet, bearing the banner of the young commonwealth on the Western Coast of Africa, sailing from our harbor manned by colonists, and devoted to the exclusive use of trading between the mother country and the infant yet thriving settlement in Liberia.

To the free coloured people of our State this practical exhibition of facts long since declared to them, yet unwillingly credited will come with all the force of reality; and seeing, they will believe that the home prepared for them in the land of their fathers by their friends in Maryland, is indeed a spot where freedom may be enjoyed in prosperity, and where their condition may be improved immeasurably beyond anything which they can hope for in this country.

The Convention adjourned at half past six yesterday afternoon *sine die*.

CONGRESS.

Correspondence of the American.

Washington, June 4, 1841.

SENATE.

After the journal had been read, Mr. Clay of Kentucky introduced a bill to repeal the Sub-Treasury. It was read and made the special order for Monday.

Some debate, rather of a conversational character, then rose upon the order of proceedings in the Senate, at the present session. The general opinion seemed to be, that the attention of the Senate shall be exclusively directed to the business for which it was convened.

After a session of half an hour, the Senate adjourned over to Monday.

The House was not in session to day.

The following Senators have been announced by the Chair as the standing committees, the chairman of each having been balloted for on a prior day:

On Foreign Relations.—Messrs. Rives, Preston, Buchanan, Tallmadge, and Choate.

On Finance.—Messrs. Clay, of Ky., Evans, Woodbury, Mangum, and Bayard.

On Commerce—Messrs. Huntington, Merrick, King, Barrow and Wright.

On Manufactures.—Messrs. Evans, Archer, Miller, Buchanan, and Simmons.

On Agriculture,—Messrs. Linn, Woodbridge, Smith of Ct., White, and Simmons.

On Military Affairs.—Messrs. Preston, Merrick, Benton, Archer, and Pierce.

On the Militia.—Messrs. Phelps, Kerr, Clay, of Al., Barrow and Fulton.

Naval Affairs.—Messrs. Mangum, Archer, Williams, Smith of Ind. and Choate.

On Public Lands—Messrs. Smith, of Ind., Tallmadge, Walker, Bates and Prentiss.

On Private Land Claims.—Messrs. Bayard, Huntington, Linn, Sevier, and Henderson.

On Indian Affairs.—Messrs. Morehead, White, Sevier, Phelps, and Benton.

On Claims.—Messrs. Graham, Bates, Wright, Woodbury, and Woodbridge.

On Revolutionary Claims.—Messrs. Dixon, Morehead, Smith, of Ct., Sturgeon, and Graham.

On the Judiciary.—Messrs. Berrien, Clayton, Prentiss, Walker, and Kerr.

On the Post Office.—Messrs Henderson, Simmons, McRoberts, Berrien and Mouton.

On Roads and Canals.—Messrs. Porter, White, Young, Cuthbert and King.

On Pensions.—Messrs. Bates, Pierce, Allen, Dixon, and Nicholson.

For the District of Columbia.—Messrs. Merrick, Clayton, King, Mangum, and Young.

On Patents.—Messrs. Prentiss, Porter, Sturgeon, Tappan, and Henderson.

On Public Buildings.—Messrs. Barrow, Fulton, and Kerr.

On the Contingent Expenses.—Messrs. White Tappan, and Porter.

On Engrossed Bills.—Messrs. McRoberts, Miller, and Nicholson.

NATIONAL BANK.—The Committee of the U. S. Senate, (on Mr. Clay's motion to refer to a Select Committee so much of the President's message as relates to a uniform currency, &c.) consists of Mr. Clay, of Ky., Mr. Choate, Mr. Wright, Mr. Berrien, Mr. King, Mr. Tallmadge, Mr. Bayard, Mr. Graham, and Mr. Huntington.

From the National Intelligencer of June 8.

In the Senate, yesterday, Asbury Dickins was re-elected Secretary to that body for the present Congress, and the other old officers of that body were also re-elected.

In the House of Representatives the whole day, to an unusually late hour, was spent in debate and proceedings upon a subject on which the House has at former sessions spent a great deal of time without much profit. We refer to the question as to the manner of disposing of petitions for the abolition of slavery within the District of Columbia. The rule of the last session in respect to those petitions was discarded from the rules for the government of the present House by a vote of 112 to 104.

WASHINGTON, June 8, 1841.

TO-DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

After the reading of the Journal this morning, the Speaker announced the following as the Standing Committees, of which the following gentlemen are the Chairmen:

Committee on Elections—William Halstead.
" Ways and Means—M. Fillmore.
" Commerce—John P. Kennedy.
" Public Lands—W. Cost Johnson.
" Post Office and Post Roads—Gen. N. Briggs
" District of Columbia—J R. Underwood
" Judiciary—Daniel D. Barnard.
" Revolutionary Claims—H. Hall.
" Public Expenditures—J Graham.
" Private Land Claims—J Moore.
" Manufactures—Levi Saltonstall.
" Agriculture—Edmund Deberry.
" Indian Affairs—J Quincy Adams.
" Military Affairs—W. C. Dawson.
" Militia—George M Keim.
" Naval Affairs—Henry A. Wise.
" Foreign Affairs—Caleb Cushing.
" Territories—Garrett Davis.
" Revolutionary Pensions—J. Taliaferro.
" Invalid Pensions—Calvary Morris.
" Roads and Canals—J. Lawrence.
" Patents—Thomas F. Osborne.
" Public Buildings—W. W. Boardman.
" Revisal Unfinished Business—Fr. James.
" Public Accounts—Osmyn Baker.
" Mileage—Thomas W. Williams.

Select Committee on Currency.—John Sergeant, John Quincy Adams, John Pope, William Cost Johnson, William C. Dawson, John M. Botts, Romulus M. Saunders, John McKeon, R. Barnwell Rhett,

On motion of Mr Morgan, the House agreed to go into an election of officers, previous to which, Mr Gilmer presented the petition of Wm. Smith, Esq contesting the election of Lyln Banks, Esq. which was referred.

The House then proceeded to elect a Sergeant-At-Arms, *viva voce*.

Whole number of votes,	222
Necessary to a choice,	112
Henry A. Townsend received	55
Bernard Hooe,	34
Roderick Dorsey,	92
J. H. Blake,	19
Thomas Burchenal,	11
James Wilson,	11—no election

Second Ballot—Whole number of votes, 221. Necessary to a choice, 111. Townsend, 71; Hooe, 41; Dorsey, 83; Blake, 9, Burchenal, 12—no election.

Third Ballot.—Whole number of votes, 218. Necessary to a choice, 110 Townsend, 76; Hooe, 47; Dorsey, 85; Burchenal, 10 no election.

Fourth Ballot—Whole number of votes 216. Necessary to a choice 109. Townsend, 76; Hooe, 53; Dorsey, 81; Burchenal, 6—no election.

Fifth Ballot—Whole number of votes 217. Necessary to a choice, 109.—Townsend, 80; Hooe, 52, Dorsey, 85—no election.

Mr. Ingersoll offered a resolution that the vote on Mr. Adam's amendment be reconsidered, taken yesterday on striking out the 21st rule, which is entered for consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Caldwell moved that the House adjourn. On this motion the ayes and noes were, ayes 46 noes 140

Mr. Dean moved to reconsider the vote by which the Committees were appointed this morning—not entertained.

A message was received from the Senate proposing suitable testimonials of respect for the death of Ex-President W. H. Harrison, which was concured in by the House. The Chair of the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate will be shrouded in mourning, and members will wear crape thirty days.

Mr. Adams reported a bill for the relief of the widow of the late Wm. H. Harrison, appropriating the sum of —— dollars, which was read twice and committed to the committee of the whole on the state of the Union.

The election of Sergeant-at-Arms was then proceeded in.

Sixth Ballot.—Whole number of votes, 221. Necessary to a choice. 111. Townsend, 88; Hooe, 48; Dorsey, 85; no election.

Mr. Walker made a motion to adjourn—the ayes and noes were—ayes 49 noes, 129.

The Clerk, at a quarter before 5 o'clock proceeded to call the roll for a seventh ballot, to elect a sergeant at-Arms when this letter was closed.

In the U. S. Senate; on Monday, the balloting for officers resulted as follows:

The first ballot being for Secretary of the Senate, there were 43 votes given of which Mr. Asbury Dickens received 41, and was declared duly elected.

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