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NEW-ORLEANS:
TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 24, 1839.

DINNER TO THE HARRISBURG CONVENTION—HENRY CLAY.

[illegible] of Mr. Clay, bears the impress of great [illegible] great in prospect. [illegible] is eastern adversary. His letter to the Harrisburg Convention has been received upon the wings of the wind. It displays the most unqualified devotion to the principles of our cause. With a modesty peculiar to transcendent [illegible] he begged his friends in that body, not to [illegible] his attachment to himself to disturb the harmony of its deliberations, but to yield his claims upon the opposition, to the peace and unity of the whige. They did so. Far from feeling the slightest pique or mortification at this result, no man has yielded a more hearty approval of the proceedings of the convention than the illustrious Clay. He and a strong and eloquent protest against the proceedings of the meeting prevailed.

We have our political friends, particularly those who opposed the selection of Mr. Clay, to read and ponder well upon the sulj inest sketch delivered by him at the dinner given he the whig members of Congress, on the occasion of the Convention. He attests in the [illegible] fire of patriotism, and should animate his friends to redouble their exertions in behalf of the cause. At the dinner in question many distinguished members delivered addresses. Mr. Cuthbert [illegible] Mr. Clay's colleague in the Senate, from Kentucky, proved, assisted by Messrs. Southgate, Bryan, Gunsten, &c.—all personal friends of Mr. Clay. These gentlemen made speeches, in which they [illegible] their entire confidence in the nomination. Mr. Southgate was peculiarly impressive in his [illegible]. He spoke with enthusiasm when alluding to the [illegible] surrender of his native state of the [illegible] to the common cause.

When Mr. Clay was tosted, he rose and will [illegible] individual present also arose, and addressed [illegible] in an eloquent speech, of which the following is a brief sketch.

Mr. Clay said that although he had accepted the invitation to participate in the festivities of the day he had resolved to remain almost a silent spectator. But he [illegible] reason silent—I am said he here to remove [illegible] to announce the commencement of another struggle. Your gentle son, said he, have [illegible] and point to gashes—you have [illegible] an indelement season of the year,—some of [illegible] thousand miles to meet or to which may be conferred a high and important duty. I am proud to be one of those who have thus honored the country—those who, at great sacrifices, have left their homes for the public good. Your body was composed of men of great weight of character and talent, and you are here after having travelled the length and breadth of the land in this public service. There cannot be a doubt but as to the acquiescence of the great whig party of the Union in the result of your deliberations. It was your fortune or misfortune to meet with various opinions but after retiring and deliberating, as was designed, you have made a unanimous nomination. Surely, said Mr. Clay, it becomes no member now to object to what was done. If the friends of favorites are disappointed they are bound to forget their disappointment, or they are bound by every consideration of patriotism to the hope of changing and destroying this correct and just nomination—by their desire to establish a purer and better government, in acquiesce in the nomination which has been made.

He continued Mr Clay, with great earnestness and manner—if I have friends—friends connected with me by the ties of blood, by the bonds of friendship—if I have any one who loves me—I assure them that I cannot choose a better or sooner than to follow, and vote heartily as I shall, for the nomination which has been made. (Immense applause.) Take out of sacrifice, said Mr Clay. What is [illegible] worth to the country—in what does it show patriotism if he is not always ready to sacrifice himself for his country. There has been no sacrifice. We have not been contending for Henry Clay, for William Henry Harrison, for Daniel Webster, or for Winfield Scott.—No!—we have been contending for principles. Not men, but principles are our rules of action. Look not then to Harrisburg nor to the Whitehouse—not to the nomination, but to the mountain of corruption which it is designed to overthrow, not to the man who has been nominated, but to the Gibbs and Vanals at the Capitol. William Henry Harrison and John Tyler are medium which will come up of the sacrifice, if a crisis there be, but there is none. Go home, then, gentlemen of the convention, remain being what you have seen here. Tell your constituents of the nomination—of a liberal constitution—of the executive power against which [illegible] and [illegible] of executive patronage by his successor, and that successor his selection. Tell them to put forth all the energies they possess to relieve the land from the curse which rests upon it, and if they can then be satisfied, from that time they cease to be patriots."

This eloquent address was received by all present with outbursts of applause. Other speeches were made, and the company remained together until a late hour, [illegible] the sentiments of gratulation, at the promising [illegible] the party, caused by its complete and [illegible] Union, for the sake of the Union."

[illegible] MEETING IN NEW YORK.—An immense meeting was held at New York on the 12th to [illegible] the nominations of the national convention. [illegible] VERPLANCK, Esq., was appointed president [illegible] eighteen vice presidents, and six secretaries. [illegible] Chandler Starr and other distinguished [illegible] the party most of them the ardent friends of Mr. Clay. The venerable Livingston was loud [illegible] the immense thing with the [illegible]. Resolutions were unanimously adopted expressive of the deep gratitude of the people to the [illegible] national convention, giving an unanimous [illegible] to its nominations, pledging the [illegible] New York in support of HARRISON and TYLER, and eulogizing the nominees [illegible] Orleans, scholars and statesmen. A [illegible] correspondence was appointed, and the meeting dissolved amid the most enthusiastic demonstrations of confidence and harmony.

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