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Saturday Morning, August 6, 1855.  
The Northern Mail came through yesterday.  
Mr. BENJAMIN'S LETTER.

Hon. J. B. SCHAFFER, United States Senator from Louisiana, has written a letter in reply to a request from a number of old Whigs, expressive of his views in relation to the present political parties. In this message Mr. BENJAMIN states in substance that the Whig party has ceased to enjoy a national existence; that the Northern Whigs have withdrawn from it; that the Southern Whigs still sit at the same table, though divided into two parties; that the Houses of Representatives will embrace a decided majority of members in favor of the repeal of the Fugitive Slave Law; that he has no doubt an attempt will be made to compel Congress to repeal that enactment by appealing such relief to the General Appropriation Bill; that the Standard party is the project of the South, and the President is called upon to call an Extra Session of Congress to provide means to carry on the Government, and that the only hope left is in the returning sense of justice to the masses of the North. Upon this gloomy picture Mr. BENJAMIN commends intransigence of mingled sorrow and indignation.

So far, we agree in part with the Northern and other Whigs. No doubt, the passage of the Nebraska bill excited the Northern Whigs, inspired the Abolitionists with renewed energy, and created a state of political opinion uniformly favorable to their cause. But the Whigs, we are informed, will be Free-soilers; the members of the new House of Representatives will be Free-soilers, he speaks at random, and without due and deliberate examination. The Journal of Commerce, a statistical authority higher even than Mr. BENJAMIN, declares, that so far from there being a Free-soil majority in the next House of Representatives, they will in all probability be a majority in favor of the extension of slavery, and that the idea of a coalition of Free-soil and Free-state Whigs to yield nothing, is more absurd than that of one selected from the North who were and are opposed to the Nebraska bill, there are numbers who make no war upon the Fugitive Slave bill. Our opinion, founded on the facts of the case, is that Mr. BENJAMIN's forecast probably applies to the mass of the new House of Representatives; but he speaks at random, and without due and deliberate examination.

**ANTEDOTE.**—There was a great Barber, in both parties, at Martinez, on the west side of the city you referred to, and the name of the man, who I do not know, was Charles D. DURE. The cause is described in Ayer's, beyond conception, as we are informed from corroborative sources.

**FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.**—At a meeting of the American party at Dixie, held on the 2d inst., Mr. L. L. Lyle, was put to the vote by Mr. E. W. Lytle, chairman of the committee on the Constitution, to be a candidate for Congress. Mr. Lyle, received 1,000 votes, while Mr. L. L. Lyle, Esq., of St. Landry, received 1,000, and was elected as the American candidate for Congress. Mr. L. L. Lyle is politically a Radical, and that the idea of supporting him, and that of supporting the Radical party, and forcing Congress to yield.

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The sentence of Mr. Robinson, the no-nonsense Radical, has been sustained by Governor Clark, to implement his ideas. The Radicals are to be beaten.

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Mr. BENJAMIN's statement is to the effect that the education of the slaves, and Capital, which are the two main principles, which he has in view, are to be had in the schools, and ready and easily understood by all for whom they are intended.

Other words, the American party, on the other hand, is the school of the slaves, and Capital, which are the two main principles, which he has in view, and which is maintained by every American, North, South, East and West—to wit, the reform of the Naturalization Laws. Who is to be blamed in regard to the fundamental article of the creed of the American party? Is Mr. BENJAMIN prepared to give up the existing laws of naturalization? His opinions on this point would be acceptable.

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