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The prominent feature in the present week's news, is one of a peculiarly painful character, the sudden and unexpected death of a great and good man, General Taylor, President of the United States; which lamented and truly deplorable event took place at Washington, on the 9th July, after a very long illness.

The perfect identity of our institutions; the long and uninterupted cordial relations that happily subsist between the Argentine Confederation and its great Northern Prototype, and the grateful recognition of most important services in the shape of sympathy, counsel, and encouragement, at a time when Monarchical Europe in general looked askance on our struggling efforts at National Independence, give a depth and intensity to the sympathy and commiseration universally felt on the melancholy occasion, alike, we venture to affirm, by the Argentine Government and country.

The personal qualities of the deceased,—his sterling integrity, uncompromising independence, and indefeasible perseverance, as a man; his patriotic and disinterested decision, as a citizen; his exemplary subordination and fidelity, as a soldier; his comprehensive views and circumstances, as a Statesman; and the urbanity, moderation, firmness and dignity, whereby he comported himself, as Supreme Magistrate of a great and rapidly advancing Republic,—render his loss at the present conjuncture, not only a national, but a public calamity.

With this brief and inadequate expression of the public sentiment of Buenos Ayres, we cheerfully cede to other hands the eulogy of the departed Statesman; and the selection of the Hon. Daniel Webster, from a crowd of able and enthusiastic panegyrics, requires no apology. His many kindred affinities with the illustrious deceased, his reputation as a Statesman, his fame as a forensic orator, and his literary celebrity, at once qualify and designate him as the organ and interpreter of the respect and sorrow of his fellow-countrymen.

In the selection of the Senator of the United States, of the 10th July, Mr. Webster made the following touching and patriotic allusion to the melancholy event:—

Mr. WEBSTER.—Mr. Secretary, at a time when the great mass of our fellow-citizens enjoy remarkable health and happiness throughout all the whole country, it has pleased Divine Providence to visit the two Houses of Congress, and especially this House, with repeated occasions of mourning and lamentation.—Since the commencement of the session, we have followed two of our own members to their last home; and we are now assembled, in conjunction with the other branch of the Legislature, and in full sympathy with the deep tone of affliction which I am now so felt throughout all the country, to take part in the solemnities of the funeral of the late President of the United States. Truly, sir, was it laid in the communion that we are to see that great man fall among us. The late President of the United States, originally a soldier by profession, having gone through a long and splendid career of military service, had, at the close of the late war with Mexico, become so much endeared to the people of the United States, that his nomination as President, with so high a degree of regard and confidence, that without solicitation or application, without pursuing any previous path of power, or raising a laurel wreath to the right or to the left from the path of duty, a great and powerful and generous people saw fit, by popular vote and acclamation, to commit to his hands the authority of the nation. We cannot forget, that in our own countries, so in this, the public feeling was won and carried away in a degree, by the military services.—So it has been al-

ways, and so it always will be, because high respect for able foils in arms has been secured to us, even by the death of Zachary Taylor, they have not been purchased at too high a price, and I his spirit, from the regions to which it has ascended, could see these results—could see that country, which I have loved and served, that I did or could do by all the devotion, and all the efforts that I could make in her behalf during the short span of my earthly existence. Mr. Secretary, great as this calamity is, we mourn, but not as those without hope: We have seen one eminent man, and another eminent man, and at last a man in the most eminent station, fall away from the midst of us. But I doubt not there is a Power above us, exercising over us that parental care that has marked our progress for so many years. I have confidence still, that the place of the departed will be supplied; that the kind, beneficial favor of Almighty God will still be with us, and that we shall be borne along, and upward on the wings of sustaining Providence. My God grant that in the time that is before us, there may not be wanting to us as wise men; as good men for our countrymen, as his whose funeral obsequies we now propose to celebrate.

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We have dates by the *Esplorator* of the 15th July. They contain little of general interest.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, Uncle of H. M. Queen Victoria, died on the 13th, having completed his 76th year.

Marshal Soult is reported as dangerously ill. The Queen of Spain gave birth to a Prince on the 4th July; who survived his birth only for a few minutes. Her Majesty was recovering favourably.

Peace had been proclaimed between Prussia and Denmark; but the question between Denmark and the Duchies, wore an aspect far from pacific.

The public press in France is subjected to the most stringent regulations. Every article published in it is to be signed by its author. It is calculated that the recent electoral law will disfranchise 6 million voters. Such are the first fruits of the barricade and socialism.

We have to record the sad effects of another severe gale which has been productive of still more extensive disasters to the shipping in our port than that of 21st and 22d July last; although it has not been so destructive to the buildings along the shore, from the fact of not being accompanied by a high tide.

On Saturday evening last we had a heavy fall of rain, with the wind from the N. W. On Sunday the weather was fine with a light breeze from the S. E., which shifted during the night to the E. and freshened considerably. On Monday it blew a gale the whole day, from the same quarter, with occasional showers. From midnight it rained heavily for several hours, the wind in the mean time continuing to increase, and when the rain ceased it raged terrifically. On Tuesday it also continued with great violence from N. N. W., occasionally with rain till 3 p. m.

when it began to moderate. At 4 it equalled to N. E., and at 8 to N. W. with heavy squalls, and continued so all night. On Wednesday fair weather; with a fresh breeze from the W. and a very low tide; the greater part of the vessels both in the outer and inner roads being aground in consequence. The Bank being aground several persons both on Lombard and left dry several persons being on Lombard and on foot were seen traversing it during the day in different directions. On Thursday a fine day and full tide—nature may be now said to have resumed her wonted course.

The following is a synopsis of the dangers sustained by the shipping—  
National schooner "Faz Enterrera," ran ashore of the Battery Libertad; it is expected she will be got off.

National brig "Concordia," high and dry off the Retiro. This ill-fated vessel ran ashore off San Isidro on the night of the 22d July last, was subsequently got off, and had only returned to the port on the 3d inst. She again drove from her anchors on the morning of the 17th. No hopes are entertained of her being got off.

British schooner "Juno," parted 8 cables and ran ashore at Palermo. She is said to be loading for Liverpool and had 54 pipes of tallow on board. No hopes are entertained of her being got off.

British brig "Essey Robertson," parted her cables and ran ashore off Palermo in a leaky state, with a large quantity of coals on board, having lost 100 muttons and mutton-boards. No hopes are entertained of her being got off.

French barque "Ankober," ready to sail for Havre, parted 4 cables of produce, parted 3 cables of mutton, and 2 cables of the Arroyo de Maldonado. Doubts are entertained of her being got off.

French barque "Saint Martin," with a cargo of wine and 72 passengers on board (having arrived from Passang on the 13th) parted her cables and drove ashore of the Arroyo de Medrano. The passengers were safely landed there and have since arrived in this city. Doubts are entertained of her being got off.

National brig "Constante," drove from her anchors on the night of the 17th and ran ashore off Quilmes in a leaky state; she will not be got off.

The French barque "Pascote," dragged her anchors on the 17th and reached the outermost ledge of rocks on the shore. When the tide receded she was left high and dry on the sand, but got off again at midnight on the 18th without sustaining any damage.

The National brigantine "Siete," having parted her cables up the river and took refuge at the Rama Negra, at the entrance of the Paraná. She has sustained no damage.

British brig "John Robinson," lost 1 boat. Brigantine "Ravenwood," lost 2 boats. Portuguese barque having been foul with the Spanish brig "Pablo," had her masts and stays in and her stays on the larboard side carried away, 1 boat smashed in pieces and lost her jibboom, a strong cable and 70 fathoms of rope.

American brig "Fanchita," lost 1 anchor and 60 fathoms of chain cable. Barque "Pascote," lost 1 anchor and 70 fathoms of chain cable in consequence of the barque "Oceano" having drifted into it. The "Essey Robertson" subsequently dragged across her bows carrying away her fore foot and scratching several planks, besides taking off about 60 sheets of copper. Barque "Mackinong," dragged her anchors and parted her cables on the 17th, but sprung a leak. On Tuesday evening had 4 feet water in the hold, which has however been pumped out.

French ship "Lion," lost 1 boat and 1 anchor. Ship "Arminion," lost her mizzen-top, part of her bulwarks on the starboard side stove and her stern stays and tackle carried away.

Spanish brig "Joanquin," lost a boat. Schooner "Francis," lost a boat. Barque "Pedrocer" lost 1 boat. Brig "Angela," lost 1 boat. British brig "Ankober," lost her main-top-gallant yard, both studding-sails-booms and several other damages. Brig "Pablo," lost 100 muttons broken and part of her bulwarks on the starboard side stove in, spritsail-yard, both her topsails and jib-boom carried away. Barque "Pascote de Buenos Ayres," lost her bowsprit and jibboom.

Sardinian—barque "Esperia," lost 1 anchor and a piece of chain cable. Barque "Coroba





