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The Ashland Residence in Politics. - It's worthy of record in KENTUCKIAN-CITIZEN how the Ashland residence figured in politics as we told it to the Pan-American and the Typotheta at their receptions there.

In 1857 James B. Clay, son of Henry Clay, the great, was the nominee of the Democrats as anti-Knownothing for Congress. The Louisville Journal and other papers favorable to the Knownothings, tried to make James B. Clay infamous as an unworthy son for allowing the political enemies of his father to nominate him, and for tearing down the old Ashland homestead and selling walking sticks made from the timbers.

James B. in his speeches, said he had simply like many other Whigs, opposed the Knownothings, while some Democrats favored them; that his father had not lived in the times when politicians made money, and there were none of his family able to buy the old Ashland estate except his (Jas. B.'s) wife, and that she had simply torn down the old building which was cracked, and rebuilt it as near like the old one as possible; that as to the walking canes, many of his father's old friends desired them, and an old carpenter friend was given the timbers to make sticks, and he simply charged sufficient to pay him for the trouble. This explanation had such happy effect that Clay defeated Roger Hanson by 125 majority, although the district had gone Knownothing by 1,500 majority at previous Congressional election.

"It seems to me the residence now has one more story than the old one," said Col Breckinridge to Major McDowell.

"No, sir, it has not," was the reply, "the ceilings are simply higher; with the latter exception it is a perfect counterpart of the old building. Mr. Clay, after the treaty of Ghent, at close of the war of 1812, stopped with some English country gentlemen, and made this house after the English plan. Sometimes English travelers call out here and at once say of the residence: 'How English-like.'"

Every one who visits Ashland is impressed with the idea how fortunate it is that the home of Clay is in the hands of his grandchild, who married so gallant a gentleman as Major McDowell.

Mrs. McDowell is the daughter of Col. Henry Clay, who fell in the battle of Buena Vista.

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**A Kentucky Boy's Success.** - J. Jackson, a student of Central University, Richmond, has won the Interstate medal in a contest at Charlotte. The contending representatives were North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Tennessee. The son of Mrs. Eliza Jackson, late Dr. John D. Jackson, is a grandson of the late Dr. John D. Jackson. He is an orator and has won the Charlotte medal at Central University commencement, the Lexington in August. He stamps him the foreman of the South. Mr. Jackson won at the depot by a common student in a carriage. The orator is a son of W. A. Johnson, of

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