

THE CAMBRIA FREEMAN. ERENSBURG, PA., Friday Morning, - Dec. 10, 1875.

THE HON. WILLIAM M. EVARTS, who is to be the orator of the Centennial, is a grandson of Roger Sherman, the shoemaker statesman of Connecticut.

MR. KERR, the Speaker-elect of the national House of Representatives, was a most active member of the Forty-second Congress.

AS WILL BE SEEN in another column of our paper, Hon. Michael C. Kerr, of Indiana, was elected Speaker of the lower branch of Congress at its meeting last Monday.

MR. CHAIRMAN, let the wish of the majority be the voice of all. From the moment the differences among ourselves must be at an end, that we may thus present an united front to our adversaries.

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY presents the following estimates for the fiscal year of 1877:

Table with columns: OBJECTS, ESTIMATES. Rows include Congress, Executive property, Department of State, War Department, Navy Department, Interior Department, Postoffice Department, Department of Justice, Department of Agriculture, Grand total.

THE VACANT ATTORNEY GENERALSHIP of this State has at last been filled, Governor Hartranft having on Monday last appointed Hon. George Lear, of Bucks county, to the position.

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Organization of the House.

By reference to our Washington dispatches, says the Pittsburgh Post of Monday, it will be seen that the Democratic caucus, on Saturday agreed to an organization of the House, notwithstanding the ridiculous predictions so freely indulged in by the Radical wiscarsers for the past few weeks.

THERE WAS REALLY no issue of policy in the organizations regards any essential differences in the Democratic ranks, notwithstanding the industrious attempts of Radical journals to make this fact appear. The only question at issue was the essential fitness of the man for the position, and upon the question of fitness simply, the participants of the caucus divided.

HON. MICHAEL C. KERR, of Indiana, was agreed upon as Speaker on the third ballot, the vote standing, for Kerr, 90; for Randall, 63; for Cox, 7. Mr. Kerr is one of the ablest members of Congress, and while he lacks the thoroughness of a knowledge of parliamentary law possessed by Mr. Randall, he will fill the chair in a most satisfactory manner.

FOR DOORKEEPER Fitzhugh, of Texas, was elected on the second ballot. Stuart, of Virginia, was chosen post-master on the second ballot, and Rev. J. L. Townsend, of the Episcopal Church, was named for Chaplain.

IT NOW ONLY REMAINS for the House to organize promptly to-day and go boldly and intelligently to work. The people of this country look to the present House, not so much for legislation, as the exposure and punishment of official corruption that have well nigh destroyed the country in the last six or eight years.

WE DIRECT THE attention of our readers to the prospectus for 1876 of the weekly and daily New York Sun, which will be found in another column of our paper.

THE REPORT OF THE POSTMASTER GENERAL is next discussed, and various recommendations made in connection. The thirteenth report of the interior department is next reviewed. The report of the general land office shows that there were 345,000 acres less disposed of during this year than last.

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W. D. KELLEY, of this State, is the oldest continued member in Congress.

The President's Message.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The following is a synopsis of the President's message: The message opens with a reference to the centennial year and the progress made by the country, during the past century.

POLITICAL EQUALITY. Referring to political equality, it says: We are a republic whereof one man is as good as another before the law. It is of the greatest importance that all should be possessed of education and intelligence enough to cast a vote with the right understanding of its meaning.

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. The full text of which is published in the next column.

TAXATION. He suggests taxation of all property equally, excepting only the last resting place of the dead.

THE MEXICAN TROUBLES are next referred to at some length. The marauding excursions, the frauds of the United States revenue and the number of murders and outrages on the Mexican border have been made the subject of renewed remonstrance by the United States to the Mexican government, by without apparent effect.

THE PRESIDENT THEN reviews the history of the cable, and the action of the cable in relation to the landing of the cable on the shores of France, and the action of the Anglo-American company in endeavoring to advance the rates upon the competition by the direct cable.

AMONG THE IMPORTANT subjects to which the attention of congress should be directed are those of fraudulent naturalization and exportation. He invites the attention of congress to the necessity of regulating by law the status of the children of foreigners, and defining the status of children born of American parents in foreign countries.

IT WILL BE A SOURCE of great gratification to the President, to be able to approve any measure of congress looking effectually toward securing resumption. Unlimited inflation would accomplish it, but at the sacrifice of honor.

REFERRING TO THE SECRETARY OF WAR'S report, he recommends an appropriation of \$300,000,000 for the subsistence of the department before the beginning of the next fiscal year, and recommends the repeal of the law abolishing mileage and the return to the old system.

THE SUBJECT OF THE tariff occupies considerable space.

THE PRESIDENT, on the navy, then says: Policy requires that we should have a larger number of ships and more men in the navy, and that the condition of the navy, however, is, upon the whole, satisfactory. He recommends the immediate completion of five double-turreted monitors now on the stocks.

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HE RECOMMENDS that the government's contribution to the Centennial exhibition be of a character and quality and extent in keeping with the dignity and credit of the country.

THE REPORTS OF THE several departments are briefly referred to. He recommends that a joint congressional committee be appointed to visit the mining states and territories next summer and report such laws as may be best suited for the development of those territories.

THE MESSAGE CLOSES with a recapitulation of the various questions which the President deems of vital importance, such as education, opposition to the teaching of sectarian tenets in the public schools, the driving out of licensed immorality, polygamy, etc., and the enacting of such laws as will insure a speedy return to a sound currency that will command the respect of the world.

UP TO Wednesday last fifty-nine bodies had been recovered from the Swaithemore colliery, near Beansley, Eng., and it is now considered certain that the dead will number between 180 and 140.

COL. M'CLURE ON GRANT'S MESSAGE.

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THIS WILL NOTIFY THE PUBLIC of our intention to put NEW and LOWER PRICES on much of our Stock.

THE MAIN FACT IS: We have made up TOO MANY OVERCOATS and SUITS for this year, and our Stock into Cash needed for 1876, we will make certain sacrifices.

OUR OWN CAREFULLY MADE CLOTHING. It will be remembered that our stock always embraces the choicest styles.

Wanamaker & Brothers PHILADELPHIA. —If you in larger find no bliss, and loath the circus—no child to kiss—no wife to love—no gal to hug—don't seek oblivion in the jug and if you haven't any sister, just ask some chap to lend you his, to spark for a little while—then "splice."

A TERRIBLE EXPLOSION.—A London dispatch of the 6th inst. Swaithemore Colliery, near Beansley, in the West Riding of Yorkshire, has feared that at least 100 human beings were killed and injured.

GOING FOR A HUSBAND SHE HAS NEVER SEEN.—The Rockport Democrat says that Celestina, Livingston county, has and is a man, whose name is not given, left that town about eleven years ago, and neglecting to write home, was given up as dead.

AN INFANT SMOKER.—A correspondent writes to the Cincinnati Enquirer from Bradford Junction, Ohio: A baby was weaned with considerably diluted milk, and was constantly fretted by the mother's food was refused, and rejected by the child, and constant fretting he suffered from stomachic complaint, which was cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

A HORRIBLE BUTCHERY.—About seven o'clock on Saturday morning last, William Aiden, an Englishman, an expressman for Cobb & Co., living on Scranton avenue, Cleveland, O., quarreled with his wife and commenced butchering her with it, severing her head from her body, and otherwise horribly mutilating her.

—At Plymouth church, Brookline, Friday, the policy of silence was observed and the gates of battle thrown open. The Deacon West, Mrs. Montfort, and a considerable exhibition of anti-suffrage feeling was present, and the meeting was a success.