

THE VOLUNTEER

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An Apprentice

One from the country would be preferred. He must come well recommended for character and education.

The Agent of the Journeymen Printers' Union, who is now in the borough of Carlisle, appealing to the liberality of its citizens to sustain the Journeymen against the crushing influence of a haughty monopoly...

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GOV. JOHNSTON'S SINKING FUND.

Gov. Johnston is now a private citizen, like the rest of us; but his public acts are still proper subjects of discussion. In his last year's annual message, in which he did not condescend to inform the people and the Legislature of the gross amount of the receipts and expenditures of the Government...

We prefer to speak kindly of a retiring officer, for we have the clearly to believe that no man who has been elected by the people to a high office, will intentionally abuse the confidence reposed in him.

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WASHINGTON'S BIRTH DAY.

The following excellent article, which we copy from the Baltimore Clipper, we commend to the attention of all our readers. We are glad to see that members of Congress are making arrangements to celebrate the approaching anniversary of Washington's birth day, in a becoming manner. There never was a time in the history of this country when it was more necessary to recur to the principles of Washington, than at the present moment; for an attempt is now being made to pervert those principles in contradiction of the actions of his whole life.

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News Items.

Election of State Treasurer. John M. Bicker, Esq., the able and efficient State Treasurer for the past two years, has been re-elected. This is a well deserved compliment to a most competent officer.

Discharge of the Christiana Prisoners. Lancaster, Jan. 23.—The bills prepared against the Christiana prisoners for murder and riot, were returned this morning by the Grand Jury, "no bills," and all the prisoners were discharged by John L. Thompson, Esq., District Attorney.

Effects of the Maine Liquor Law.—The Mayor of Portland, Me., has made a report upon the operations of the new liquor law, in that city. He says that the streets of Portland are perfectly quiet, and that an open rum shop is not known in the city. The House of Correction is entirely empty, and the number receiving assistance, at the Alms House and out, materially reduced.

Whigs are generally very bad at guessing. A year ago, the Whig Secretary of the Treasury estimated the exports of the country for the next year, and in no single instance came within forty miles of the results. He guessed the export of cotton at forty millions less than it turned out to be. In his estimate of other articles, he made a mistake of thirty-two millions. In both these cases his guessing was below the mark.

"MATERIAL AID."—It seems that at Harrisburg, a musket and bayonet were placed within view of Kosuth, with the label of "material aid" attached. This delighted the Hungarian chief. But we presume that he also wants men to wield the muskets and bayonets—if so, the thing can be easily effected, if those who sing hallojahs to him in the passage through the country, are really sincere in their professed desire to assist in the liberation of Hungary.

Fortitude.—This fine bird is in danger of being exterminated in this part of the country, from the intense cold, and the impossibility of procuring food on account of the deep snow, which prevents their getting to the earth. We have heard of large numbers being found dead by the country people, which had perished from cold and hunger. The partridge is a fine bird, viewed either in an epicurean or sporting light, and we should be sorry to see it disappear from our midst.

THE THIRTY-ONE STATES. All elected by the people, except in South Carolina, where the Legislature chooses the Governor. (Democrats in Roman; Whigs in Italics.)

Table with columns for States, Governors, and Salaries. Lists 31 states with names of governors and their respective salaries.

Legislatures of the States. Political complexion and times of meeting of the Legislatures at the States of Government.

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In the States marked with an asterisk, the Legislature meets biennially. The Pennsylvania Legislature is largely Democratic in the House, but the Senate is the reverse.

INAUGURAL ADDRESS OF GOVERNOR WILLIAM BIGLER.

Fellow Citizens.—The Providence of God has performed a great miracle. The will of the people has called a humble citizen to the performance of the duties of her Chief Executive office. In accordance with the requisition made upon me, and in obedience to the provisions of the Constitution, I appear before you today for the purpose of submitting to the oath of office and assuming the duties of the position.

In contemplating the high and delicate nature of the duties pertaining to this station—their complex and difficult character, the magnitude of the interests involved in their faithful performance, and the solemnity impressed with the responsibility they necessarily impose, the junior of all my predecessors in this high station, I enter upon the discharge of its duties with the utmost distrust of my own qualifications for the task.

Our republican institutions are based upon the axiom, that the people are the fountain-head of power. Under these institutions, thus founded, the will of the people is effected through the ballot box, gives direction to public affairs. Through this medium, the humblest citizen, not less than the most illustrious, can stamp the interests and wishes upon the public policy of the country.

The dangerous tendencies of monopoly, and the corrupting influence of money, are met and counteracted by the power and virtue of this knowledge. Liberal expenditures by our government for the purpose of education, may well be regarded as rigid economy.

Our vast debt should be reduced as rapidly as practicable. Its injurious effects upon the growth of our population, and the migration of capital to the States, it much more potent than the usual observer would suppose. This may not be most readily accomplished by a too parsimonious use of the means already secured to the treasury.

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for the amount of specie basis provided for its redemption. The utmost care should be taken to guard this basis, and to secure the people in the use of this medium. This security may be measurably afforded by imposing on the corporations individual liability to the fullest extent.

The injurious effects of a restrictive issue of paper money, have been so frequently demonstrated by sad experience, that it is quite unnecessary to discuss the question on this occasion. The laborer, the farmer, the mechanic, the manufacturer and merchant, are all deeply interested in the creation of a superabundant amount of paper money, and it is with painful alarm that I have witnessed a growing disposition over the entire country to increase the quantity of the medium to a small amount, regardless of the inevitable effects of the large accession of gold which California is furnishing to this country.

I would not be understood by any thing I have said, as holding the opinion that mere legislation, however wise and well prepared, is sufficient to give direction to the energies of the nation, in the pursuit of a policy which is demanded by the true interests of the people. A superabundant amount of money of any kind, cannot fail to enhance nominal values above a proper standard, and thereby engender a spirit of dangerous speculation, and in the end create great commercial and manufacturing interests of the country.

I am most happy, my fellow citizens, to meet you in my present capacity, at a period when our common country is at peace with all the world, and prosperous in an eminent degree. The dangerous conflict touching the subject of slavery, which for a time seemed to menace the stability of the National Government, has been most fortunately and promptly terminated through the medium of what is generally known as the Compromise Measures.

The continuance of these unequalled blessings is dependent entirely upon the perpetuity of this great national compact, and this can only be secured by a firm and united adherence to its terms. The Union under which it was formed. The Union as our constitution are one and indivisible. The former cannot exist without the latter, and the latter had no purpose but to perfect and sustain the former.

The loyalty of Pennsylvania to the national Union cannot be doubted. She is a noble and virtuous people, for the constitution and its compromise, to the full maintenance and execution, in letter and spirit, the several adjustments made as passed by the late Congress, on the subject of slavery. She regards these measures as a permanent settlement, and is strongly opposed to any political conflict, and will discountenance any effort of aggression on the part of any individual or State.

I need say no more, my fellow citizens, of the importance of the Union. You are, I am confident, abundantly impressed with its magnitude, and the hopes of the world for republican government, and the well-being of our people. To the end, then, that these great blessings may be preserved, and its advantages vouchsafed to posterity, it becomes the duty of all to yield a patriotic submission to the laws constitutionally enacted, and cherish the feelings of affection for the Union, as the foundation of all our political and social rights.

Mr. West, Editor of the Albany Journal, now in France, says, in his last letter: "The success of Louis Napoleon's demonstration will, in defiance of the military police and the wheels of revolution; it will put out the fire and the spirit of Freedom all over Europe. There is no hope for Switzerland or Saxony, and less than none for Hungary; the people of Prussia, Belgium, &c. who obtain the greatest benefits of Liberty from the French, will, or may be required to yield them back."