

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

A claim of a citizen of the United States for indemnity for spoils committed on the high seas by the French authorities...

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In our paper to-day we publish the second annual Message of President Johnson. It is an able state paper, and in tone reminds us of the Messages delivered by the early Presidents—Jefferson, Madison, Monroe and Jackson. It is a business-like document—plain and candid.

The Message, as we have said, is a plain, well-written document, and we bespeak for it the careful perusal of our readers.

The pardon power. The weakest of all the special blows of the Radicals in Congress at the Presidential power, is their attempt to repeal the Amnesty Act, passed in 1862, thereby, as they suppose, preventing him from issuing a general amnesty to those in rebellion.

Amnesty is a pardon which precedes conviction, and that amnesty is included under the constitutional authority to pardon has been the opinion of the most able and distinguished jurists in the land.

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OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

The Meeting of Congress.—A very Radical Intensity.—The Grand Mass Welcoming.—The Honorable Mr. Lincoln.—The Honorable Mr. Lincoln.—The Honorable Mr. Lincoln.

As was indicated by the Radical caucus, the proceedings of the first week of Congress evince all the minor and major evils of faction, with none of that grave wisdom which betters the supreme council of the nation.

After the reading of the message there was a scene on and around the Eastern Portico which was a study to the beholder.

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POLITICAL.

—Geary will be inaugurated on the 15th of January. —Col. McCrorey, of Erie, is spoken of as the next Speaker of the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania.

—In Massachusetts, they whip women, but are shocked at the idea of the slightest indignity offered to the sacred hide of a negro.

—The Chicago Tribune, Radical, is opposed to Horace Greeley for Senator. It says: "If the Republicans of New York want to do something for the people, let them make him State Inspector, or even Governor; anything that will not make the party outside of the State responsible for his follies."

—The late elections not a Radical organ in the country, which comes under our notice, has demanded the trial of Jefferson Davis. It demands his unconditional release, because he could not be convicted except with a "specked jury."

—The public debt on the 1st of the month was \$2,500,000,000. The cash in the Treasury amounted to \$15,000,000, of which \$10,000,000 was gold.

—The death is announced of his Majesty King William Philip, of Bonn, West Coast of Africa, in his fifty-fifth year.

—A lady in Detroit sold her rag bag for one dollar and fifty cents, and afterwards remembered that she had put \$100 in it for every thing.

MISCELLANEOUS.

—The Western farmers say it goes against their grain to use corn for fuel.

—A large dog, escaped from a menagerie, leaped about Harrison and Crawford streets, Philadelphia. Is it a pump?

—An important event lately occurred in Georgia. One hundred and seventy emigrants landed there from Great Britain.

—The Indians in Montana have become openly hostile and are murdering the whites. About 100 of the latter have been killed.

—A whole thirty feet long, which had been run into by a steamship, has floated ashore on New Jersey beach, near Sandy Hook.

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PERSONAL.

—A man without legs is running for a seat in the British Parliament.

—A writer in the Danville, Va. Register nominates Gen. R. E. Lee for Governor of Virginia.

—The Louisville Courier-Kentucky, what has been depicted, that Senator Gentry will not take his seat.

—Hon. A. H. Corbett, a defeated candidate for Congress, has appointed Assessor of Internal Revenue in the Sixteenth Pennsylvania District.

—The only authentic descendant of Columbus is coming over here from Italy next year, to look at his ancestor's grave.

—Col. Robert Tyler, son of ex-President Tyler, is a candidate for the office of adjutant and inspector general of Alabama.

—Mrs. Sarah Manly, who has died in Philadelphia at eighty-seven, was one of the girls who cut flowers before Washington on his entry into Trenton.

LOCAL ITEMS.

WINTER.—"Old Boreas" is whistling around the corners, and in at the key-holes, and down the chimneys, in true old-fashioned style.

—The profits of the fifth Avenue Hotel, in New York, during October, are stated to be \$80,000.

—Female clerks are now employed in the dead letter office at Washington. What a paradise of enjoyment for quill penmen!

—The Baltimore Watchmen say pheasants are reported to be so plenty on the Snow Shoe Railroad that the engineers have to stop at stations and drive them back to clear it for the trains.

—A popular outbreak against the Government is taking place in Cuba at this moment. It is reported that the Queen will abdicate to save bloodshed.

—William A. Tuttle, a lad of sixteen years, was killed in a paper mill at Maiden Center, Mass., last Saturday, by being caught in a belt and carried over a pulley some fifty or sixty times.

—The new air-line route from Philadelphia to Norfolk, via the Wilmington and Delaware Bay route, was formally opened Tuesday last.