

Blessed are the harvesters of thought. In the pleasant fields of thought...

Annual Department Reports. We subjoin, in a condensed form, several of the annual reports of the departments of the government...

Report of the Secretary of the Navy. Secretary Welles reports that the navy has 278 vessels, 2,551 guns and 10,600 men.

The necessity of purchasing League Island, near Philadelphia, for a naval station, is stated, promises encouraging results.

Report of the Secretary of War. Secretary Stanton reports that up to the 1st of November last, 1,925,021 volunteers had been mustered out...

Large sales of war material and government property have been made, netting heavy sums. Among the items are the following: 247,000 horses and mules sold for \$15,200,000...

Forty-one national military emeries have been established, and the internets number 104,520—all Union dead. Sites for ten additional emeries were last selected.

The total expenditures of the War Department last year were \$259,874,317, of which sum \$205,272,324 were paid to the million of soldiers mustered out.

The report proper of General Grant is short, and it is only a sort of introduction to the reports of department commanders. He refers to the report of the adjutant general to give the condition and strength of the army...

Mr. Rollins, the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, reports that the amount received by him in 1865, less amounts refunded for drawbacks, is \$110,881,149 04, being ninety-nine millions and odd beyond the receipts of 1865.

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ject, the commissioner estimates that if there is no change in the law as it is present stands, the receipts for 1867 will be two hundred and eighty-five millions of dollars.

Mr. Rollins makes some suggestions as to amendments of the law. One is that the returns upon incomes and carriages, gold watches, &c., mentioned in schedule A, shall be made earlier than the present time, which is the first Monday in May in each year.

Report of the Postmaster General. The annual report of the Postmaster General, the Hon. Alexander W. Randall, occupies sixteen pages octavo, and shows a satisfactory condition of affairs in the postal department.

The number of money-order offices now in operation is 706. The value of the orders issued during the year amounted to \$2,977,509 28. The proceeds of the system from its commencement up to the close of the last fiscal year amount to \$90 82.

What are They—States or Territories? Congress will meet next Monday. The Legislature adjourns on Friday.

ESTIMATES FOR 1868. The estimated expenditures for the year ending June 30th, 1868, are \$17,583,000; the revenues estimated at \$15,106,335, and appropriation for free mail \$700,000—total, \$15,806,335; excess of expenditures \$1,776,665.

POSTAGE STAMPS AND STAMPED ENVELOPES. Postage and stamped envelopes produced in all \$11,588,968 25; a decrease of \$508,709 25, as compared with the previous year.

MAIL SERVICE IN OPERATION. Of all routes in operation there were 6,690; aggregate length 180,921 miles; aggregate annual transportation 71,857,914 miles; aggregate annual cost \$8,110,184.

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A liberal postal convention has been concluded with Italy. A preliminary basis for a new postal convention with Great Britain has been agreed upon, which will result in a considerable reduction in the amount of ocean postage.

APPOINTMENTS. Total number of offices in operation 23,828. Number of offices subject to appointment by the President 769; number by the Postmaster General 23,119. Total appointments made 10,974.

DEAD LETTERS. The whole number of dead letters received was about four-and-a-half millions. About six hundred thousand other letters were received, being unmailable for want of prepayment of postage, or on account of misdirection or illegible address.

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'Loyalist' Photographed. We take the following statement, in reference to Rev. Presley, D. D., from the Mercer Press. The sworn testimony of his wife gives an inside view of the conduct of a political clergyman. A portion of the wife's statement is too scandalous to publish.

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Who are the Disunionists!

When the war commenced in 1861, it was declared by those who made it, that it was prosecuted for the preservation of the Union. There could be no sort of legal pretext for its prosecution with any other view.

What literature these Radicals than the rebels—are they not the worst sort of secessionists, disunionists, and traitors? The rebels of the South say they would have given independence, freedom and liberty to the ten States if they had succeeded, and who doubts they would have kept their promise?

Visit your schools.—The desire to be noticed, to be thought of some importance, is certainly a natural ingredient of the juvenile mind. A manly independence comes of mature years, and is born of reason and judgment.

MARRIAGE AND DEATH.—Why is it that the marriage announcements are immediately followed by the obituary notice in our papers? Does death follow so closely on the footsteps of marriage? Is grief the page that carries the train of happiness?

Beware of Him.—A fellow named Thomas Jones plead the limitation last week on a newspaper published in one of the eastern counties. He admitted that the debt was just, but that the law gave him an opportunity to get out of paying it, and he would do so—by being the part of a double-edged scoundrel, which he undoubtedly is.

A colored cook, expecting company of her own color, had nothing that she thought good enough to set before them. Her mistress said, 'Chloe, you must make an apology.' 'I ain't missus, how can I make it? I got no apples, no eggs, no butter, no nuffin to make it with.'

A gallant was lately sitting beside his betrothed, and, being unable to think of anything to say, asked her why she was so much like a tailor? 'I don't know,' said she, 'unless it's because I'm sitting beside a goose.'

A man who covers himself with costly apparel and neglects his mind, is like one who illuminates the outside of his house and sits within in the dark.

An impertinent fellow wished to know if one ever set down to tea, where skimmed milk was on the table, without being asked, 'Do you take cream?'

A critic objects to a new illustrated volume, because the children in it are all of a size. The artist should have taken pattern from the family of John Rogers in the primer.

Mrs. Cady Stanton, in one of her 'Broad and Ballot' lectures, says she is ready to receive proposals for the winter—to lecture, of course.

Gen. Kilpatrick, United States Minister to Chili, was married on the 2d of November to the Senora Louisa Valderana.

Unless the fashion of winter bonnets is greatly changed before sleighing time, many ladies will have frozen ears.

Miss Cornelia, of New York, who wanted \$100,000 for breach of promise, gets only \$200.

This declaration is signed and sworn to by Mary W. Presley.

Jack Hamilton's organ in Texas opposes negro suffrage. Bad for Jack.

'Doctor, my head feels light—what shall I take?' 'A little sense.'