

LANCASTER, PA., DECEMBER 15, 1857.

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The President's Message. This very able, lucid and important State paper will be found at length on the first and fourth pages of the Intelligencer.

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The defense of the Administration on the Kansas question, by this gentleman, in his reply to Senator Douglas, is every where spoken of as a masterly effort, in all respects worthy of the distinguished representative from the Keystone State.

The Farmers' Bank - A Mistake. The Harrisburg Patriot & Union of Wednesday last, in its published statement of the condition of several banks of the Commonwealth, has (unintentionally, no doubt) committed a blunder with regard to the Farmers' Bank of Lancaster.

The Governor Elect. We regret to learn that Gen. FACKER, the Governor elect, whilst out hunting recently, ruptured a blood vessel, and strained himself in some way, which has rendered his lungs, and for a few days his danger was considered imminent.

The Small Note Law. A case of interest under the small note law of this State, says the Harrisburg Telegraph, was before the Supreme Court, at Pittsburgh, last week.

The Public Opinion. So far as the Democratic papers of this State have expressed any opinion on the subject, a very large majority—at least three-fourths—are decidedly in favor of the Leocompton Convention, and the action generally of the Kansas Convention.

The Treasury Report. The Report of the Secretary of the Treasury, Hon. HOWELL COBB, is a very able and interesting document, and reflects great credit on the talents and industry of its distinguished author.

Condition of the State Treasury.

As compared with the receipts and expenditures of the fiscal year ending November 30th, 1856, the full report will be presented in the Auditor General's Report, that, unhappily, the State is not in as good a position financially, as it was last year—and this, too, notwithstanding the sale of the Main Line of our Public Improvements, which was to have such a wonderful effect in reducing the public debt and increasing the resources of the Treasury;

Table with columns for Receipts for 1856, Expenditures for 1856, Balance on hand, etc. Total Receipts: \$3,278,240.33. Total Expenditures: \$3,278,242.72.

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THIRTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7. The weather to-day is charming, and the opening of Congress has attracted dense crowds in the galleries of both Houses.

Mr. Douglas gave notice of his intention to introduce a bill at an early day to enable the people of Kansas to form a Constitution and State Government, preparatory to their admission into the Union.

On the motion of Mr. Banks, the Speaker was authorized to appoint the Standing Committee; and in order to afford him an opportunity to do so, moved that when the House adjourns it be till Monday next.

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Mr. Orr was nominated by Mr. Banks, of Tennessee, and Mr. Grow by Mr. Banks, of Massachusetts.

On the ballot the vote stood as follows:— Mr. Orr, 128. Mr. Grow, 124.

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The Kansas Constitution.

The following is a synopsis of the Kansas Constitution which we invite the attention of our readers:

Section 1. The Executive shall hold office two years. 2. Governor to be elected; returns to be sent to House of Representatives.

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CITY AND COUNTY AFFAIRS.

THE CONTESTED ELECTION.—In the matter of the contested election for Prothonotary, which has been under investigation before the Court of Common Pleas since the 5th ult., the examination of witnesses was terminated on Tuesday last.

THE HOWARD ASSOCIATION.—The Executive Committee of the Howard Association met on Tuesday night last, at the City Hall, and completed their organization by appointing the Block Committees called for by the Constitution.

THE SHERIFFS.—The following are the names of the visiting committees for each ward: Block No. 1, North Duke and East King.

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