

Where whiffs weep, where birds are still,
Where infants fold their little hands,
A warrior's tomb—a crassly hill
In yon old village corner stands!

FUN, FACTS, AND FACETIE.

To be dexterous in danger is a virtue; but to court danger is a weakness.
He who sets up a carriage at the suggestion of the vanity generally sets it down at the suggestion of his creditors.
ARCHIEBES being asked to go and hear a person who insisted the nightingale to perfection, answered, "I have heard the nightingale herself."

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Governor's Message.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:
We have reason to be thankful to God, for the blessings of peace, abundant crops, that industry has been rewarded, and that thus the Commonwealth has been able to do her full duty to herself to the country and prosperity.
The condition of our finances is as follows:
Balance in Treasury, November 30, 1866, \$2,373,668 14
Receipts during Nov. 30, 1866, 5,829,668 54
Total in Treasury for fiscal year ending November 30, 1866, 8,203,336 68
Payments for same period have been, 6,462,303 41
Balance in Treasury, December 1, 1866, 1,742,033 27

the constitution abolished slavery in all the States and Territories. Though it was formerly otherwise in most, if not all, of the old Southern States, yet for many years past free Negroes have not, in any of these, been permitted to vote. At present, therefore, the late slave States would be entitled to count the whole of their former slave population, as a basis for representation, instead of three-fifths thereof. That is to say, they would have in the existing ratio about twenty more members of Congress than they had before slavery was abolished, and the free States would lose the same number, making a difference of about forty members of Congress, or, say, one-sixth of the whole body. In other words, the suppression of which has cost us so many hundreds of thousands of precious lives, and so many thousands of millions of treasure, would be rewarded by giving them a vast increase of political power. This absurdity, the second clause of the proposed amendments, designs to prevent, by the just, equal and moderate provision, that in future, the representative population of each State shall be ascertained by making a proportionate deduction from its whole population thereof, if its laws exclude from the privilege of voting, any male citizens, not criminals, of the age of twenty-one years. I have yet to learn that any plausible objection can be offered to such a provision.

selection of jurors, that are now imposed upon the sheriff and county commissioners.
It is impossible to provide, in all respects, for the increasing and changing interests of our people, by the enactment of general laws, but to a large extent it is practicable to relieve the Legislature from special legislation which is demanded and occupies so much of its sessions. Special legislation is generally passed without due consideration, much of it at the close of the session, and is chiefly objectionable from the partiality with which powers and privileges are conferred.
I again recommend the passage of general laws, when it is at all practicable, and in this connection, recommend the passage of a general law, regulating railroads now existing and the incorporation of new companies, so that so far as possible there may be just uniformity in the franchises granted, and equal facilities afforded to the people of all sections of the Commonwealth.
I tried to do my duty to my country, and know I was at least faithful to her in her deep distress, and I conceived that her duty not to be limited to the merely putting of men into the field to suppress treason and rebellion, and maintain national life, and doing of everything in my power to sustain the just war forced upon us. I felt also bound, so far as I could, to protect and promote the rights and comforts of our volunteers after they had left the State, to aid and relieve the sick and wounded, and to care for the transmission, to their bereaved families, of the precious bodies of the slain, and the maintenance and education of their orphans as honored children of the country.
To have been the Chief Magistrate of this great Commonwealth, during the period through which we have passed, and to have earned and maintained (if indeed I have done so) the confidence and affection of large people and their representatives, are quite enough to satisfy the highest ambition, and in my retirement from the high trust given me, I pray God the State may continue to grow in power and strength, and her people in prosperity and happiness.

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