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Miscellaneous.

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

To the Senate and House of Representatives the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania: GENTLEMEN: In obedience to the requirements of the Constitution, I have the honor of transmitting to you my sixth annual message. Since your last meeting the general course of events, both State and National PASHIONABLE BLACK WALNTT PABLOR AND abundant cause for mutual congratulation, and of thanksg ying to that Almighty Providence whose will controls the destinies of all. While we have been exempt from the calamity by fire that has befallen the metropo-lis of a great sister State, her misfortune has inured to the benefit of our people by the enlistment of that sympathy for the suffering, which is one of the most ennobling sentiments of the human heart. The seasons, tho' not so favorable for the productions of our soil as in some past years, have been sufficiently fruitful; and no general epidemic has appeared to disturb the pursuits, or fill with sorrow the hearts of our population. Our mining industries, manufactures

> are generally receiving remunerative returns. A great political conflict has occurred, resulting in a signal triumph of the same principles that were asserted in the restoration of the Union, the amendments of the Constitution, and the reconstruction of the States. The victory in Pennsylvanai was decisive of the victory in the nation; and will ever be remembered as an inestimable contribution to the harmony, prosperity and glory of the country. The election of the soldier, who "is first in war," to the office that makes him "first in peace." was an appropriate exhibition of na-

constantly enlarged and extended

and their enterprising proprietors

tional gratitude, and inspires the deepest feelings of satisfaction "in the hearts of his countrymen." While the Constitution wisely withholds from the Governor all power of interference in legislation, it imposes upon him the duty of laying before the General Assembly such information of the state of af-

I am happy to inform you that peace and good order have been PAINTINGS IN OIL AND WATER COLORS, * maintained by the enforcement of just and equal laws, and the legitimate exercise of authority continues to find an enduring basis of support in the intelligence, affections and moral sense of the people.

> unquestioned abroad, because her public faith has been inviolably maintained at home. The following condensed statement of the receipts, expenditures and indebtedness of the Commonwealth is respectfully

submitted: BECEIPTS. Balance in Treasury November 30, 1871.... Ordinary receipts during the fis-cal year ending November 30, 1872..... 7.148,637 45 Total in Treasury during year

DISBURSEMENTS. Ordinary expenses paid during \$\frac{1}{2}\$; year ending Nov. 30, 1872..... \$2,960,631 55 oans, &c., redeemed 2,476,326 00

Balance in Treasury Nov. 30, 72. \$1,482,455 61 PUBLIC DEET.

Add Agricultural College Land Scrip fund, held in trust, as per Act approved April 3, 72. \$29,779,820 6 \$2,476,326 0

Public debt, Nov. 30, 1872..... 27,303,494 64
Deduct assets in Sinking Fund. \$9,300,000 00
And cash balance in Treasury... 1,482,455 61 mount of assets and cash. 10,782,455 6

During the last six years payments on the debt have been made as fol

Total payments......\$10,992,662 54 Being a little over twenty-nine per cent. on the debt due December 1, 1866, which was then \$37,704,409.77.

were in opening avenues for trade and commerce, and however great and professions. were the benefits resulting to the

Bonds of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, secured by han
on the Philadelphia & Columbia
Railroad.
Thirty-five bonds of the Aligheny
Valley Bailroad Company, each
for \$100,000, guaranteed by the
Pennsylvania Railroad Company, Northern Central Railway
Company, and the Philadelphia
& Eric Railroad Company, payable \$100,000 annually, beginning Jan., 1875, bearing 5 per
cent interest from January 1,

pitals, universities, houses of correcion, penitentiaries, and the payment of military expenses, incurred during the war; expenses of government, common schools, and soldiers' orphans' schools, amount to about

\$17.000:000. The expenses of the soldiers' orphans' schools alone, during the same time, is \$3,467,543.11, and, although it is a most noble and patriotic ex-The credit of the State remains penditure, it is, nevertheless, an unusual one, and if such a necessity had not existed, the reduction of the State debt, during their existence, would have been nearly fifteen mil-

lion dollars. During the past six years, the current of legislation has been steadily in favor of reduced taxation. Not only have numerous local laws been \$1,476,808 59 enacted, exempting churches, cemeteries, schools, hospitals and other

institutions from taxation, but many general laws of the same character have been passed, as is shown by the following enumeration: By the "act to amend the revenue 2,476,326 00 laws," approved, February 25, 1000, 1,706,032 88 all real estate in the Commonwealth laws," approved, February 23, 1866, was thereafter made exempt from taxation for State purposes.

By the act approved March 30, 1866, all persons who served nine months or upwards in the military service, or who were honorably discharged therefrom by reason of wounds or physical disability contracted therein, and their property,

the supplements thereto, "all mortgages, judgments, recognizances, and
moneys, owing upon articles of
agreement for the sale of real estate"
were made "exempt from all taxation, except for State purposes."

opinion, a thorough survey is authorized, the
better it will be for the prosective interests of
the State, as well as for its present necessities."
The golden destiny of the Pacific States may
well be enticle but our coal, ore, oil, lumber
and soil are a much better foundation for
wealth and pormanent greatness than the prodente of all their placers, and the transient
and soil are a much better foundation." By an act approved January 3, 1868, all laws therein recited were repealed, which imposed taxes upon "the shares of stock held by any the shares of stock held "the shares of stock held by any stockholder in any institution or company, incorparated under the

laws of this State, which in its corporate capacity is liable to, and pays into the State Treasury the tax on capital stock imposed "by the acts herein recited. The act of June 2, 1871, repealed

so much of the law of April 29, 1844, as imposed a tax of two per cent. on salaries, trades, offices, occupations

an individual operator. In addition to this the

make an annual reduction of at least one mil-lion five hundred thousand dollars upon the

ascertained; and expressed the opinion that the results would be interesting and valuable not only to our citizens individually, but t

hot only to our curves individually, but to the entire country.

Assurances have been given by the officers of the United States Coast Survey; of the great interest they will take in our State, in the event they carry out their intention to cross the con-tinent to connect the "Ocean lines of Coast Surveys." This connection will ness through Assurances have been given by the officers of the United States Coast Survey of the great interest they will take in our State, in the event they carry out their intention to cross the continent to connect the "Ocean lines of Coast Surveys." This connection will pass through Pennsylvania, and will materially assist in determining and establishing one or more points in each county through which the line will pass, aid in triangulating so far as to enable us to rectify our county maps, and connect them in a correct map of the State. And as the State Geologist progresses with his studies and examinations, he should cause to be accurately represented upon the corrected maps, by colors and other appropriate means, the various areas in interest of the Commonwealth. represented upon the corrected maps, by colors and other appropriate means, the various areas occupied by the different geological formations and place them in the possession of the people, for their information, prior to the completion and publication of a fall account of the survey.

A State map of the kind indicated, with all the discoveries marked in proper colors thereon, would give to the thousands of visitors are converged to the state of the state

DOMESTIC COOK
WAYNER, Fig. Spring and state of the state

required by the magnitude of the interests i

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

tracted therein, and their property, were exonerated from all bounties, and per capita tax and military fines.

The act of April 29, 1867, repealed all laws requiring payment of taxes to the State on sales of loans and stocks by auctioneers.

By the act of April 10, 1867, all trustees, or owners of property to the value of thirty-five thousand dollars, used for soldiers' orphans' schools, were exempted from all "county, road, city, borough, poor and school taxes."

By the act of April 4, 1868, and the supplements thereto, "all mortgages, judgments, recognizances, and the supplements thereto," all mortgages, judgments, recognizances, and the supplements thereto, "all mortgages, judgments, recognizances, and the supplements thereto," all mortgages, judgments, recognizances, and the supplements thereto, "all mortgages, judgments, recognizances, and the supplements thereto," all mortgages, judgments, recognizances, and the supplements thereto, "all mortgages, judgments, recognizances, and the supplements thereto," and the suspense to the subject of the property of the property of the value of thirty-five thousand dollars, used for soldiers' orphans' schools, were exempted from all "county, road, city, borough, poor and school taxes."

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With great propriety, the Superintendent, in the opening of his able report, congratulates the people upon the continued growth and prospenty of our public schools.

Their progress is clearly indicated by comparing the expenditures of the last six years prior to 1867, viz: Total cost for tuition from 1867

12,745, 061 7 Increase. \$8,833,196 90 Total expenditures of the system from 1867 to 1872,

Among the States of the American Union, Pennsylvania stands pre-eminent in her "care for the soldier who has borne the battle, and for his widow and orphan children." Her noble scheme for clothing, educating, maintaining and adopting the orphan children of her soldiers who and accounts duly audited and certigave their lives in defense of the Nalional Union, is her own invention. amount of which will not exceed fif-In this the generosity of her people

more salutory than that of agriculture. Pennsylvania, by wise legislation, has authorized the purchase of BECORDING DOCUMENTS AND BINDING LAW BOOKS. three experimental farms, and the establishment of a college, all of which are now in successful operation, and the results of the scientific working

At the close of the late war the State was without a single military division, and the few scattered companies which existed at its commencement had been, generally, disbanded by the enlistment of their members in the active military service of the General Government. 'In 1866 the militia of the State

comprised only eight volunteer com-panies. Since then four hundred and eighty-three have been organized and one hundred and sixty-eight disbanded—the latter principally on account of the almost entire want of encouragement and support from the State, and their own inability to maintain themselves. To this fact s mainly attributable the reduction of the volunteer force in the First

A READFORD COUNTY, PA., JANUARY 16, 1873.

**Desired of the Newspreads Ball
"The Policy of the State of the which the subsistence of themselves superinterdent that the future expense to the period of their final extinction, will not exceed one million five hundred thousand dollars.

The health of the children has been excellent.

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The health of the children has been excellent.

that occasion, not only won the approval of the citizens of that community, but entitles them to general

commendation. Provision should be promptly made for the payment of the expenses necessarily incurred on pay rolls fied by the proper officers; the

PICTURE OF THE BATTLE OF GETTYRBURG the hands of the Park Commissioners of Philsdelphia, subject to the order of the Legislature.

A building 140 feet long and 43 feet wide has been erected in Fairmount Park for the reception of this historic painting, within a few hundred feet of the Green, street entrance. The site is the very beat that could have been selected to afford the public easy access. The gallery is perfectly adapted for the safe keeping and proper exhibition of the picture.

the results of the scientific working of the farms have already added much practical knowledge upon the general subject.

The Agriculture College has just closed a most prosperous year—the number of students being one hundred and fifty—which exceeds that of any year since the opening of the institution. Any one, of three courses, is optional to the students, viz: Agricultural, scientific or classical, to all of which is added a general course of military instruction.

The admission of females, which the Scientific of the provision of the common such enactments as will confer the authority required upon the Scientary of the Commonwealth.

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to business, and by the addition of every improvement in the Art of Photography, to make

may deem expedient and important the place worthy of patronage. Mr. Guerra * to the public welfare, and attention to the making of I am happy to in IVORYTYPES,

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MENS' AND BOYS' CLOTHING Deduct amount paid by Commissioners of the Sinking Fund during the year ending Nov.

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Amount paid in 1867..... \$1,794,644 . 1868 2,414,816 6 2,476,326 0

SINKING FUND. In remarking upon this subject, trust it will be instructive to refer, briefly, to some of the facts relating to the accumulation and payment of the public debt, and the origin of the assets arising from the sale of MODERN VULCAN the public improvements.

However wise our predecessors

GEOLOGICAL SUBVEY. Numerous communications, signed by many enterprising and intelligent citizens, continue to reach me, on the subject of a geological and mineralogical survey, urging me to commend it to your careful consideration. it to your careful consideration.

In my annual messages of 1870 and 1871, it is id before the General Assembly the necessity for a continuation of the surveys already made in order that the mineralogical resources of the State should be more fully , and perfectly

who will attend the Centennial celebration, some approximate idea of the incalculable wealth beneath the soil of our State; and would have an importance in their sight that could be conveyed to them in no other possible manner. The expenses of a geological corps, properly organized, and such as would be competent to perform the duties required, have been carefully estimated, and will not exceed forty-five thousand dollars for the first year, and need thousand dollars for the first year, and no not be quite as much annually thereafter.

DUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS AND OF AGRICUL-By an act approved April 12, 1872, establish by an act approved April 12, 1612, establishing a "Bureau of Labor Statistics and of Agriculture," the Governor was authorized to appoint a Commissioner of that Department. Accordingly, Thomas C. Macdowell, of Dauphin county, was appointed. He immediately established his office in the Capitol building, as required by the act, and commenced the work required by the act, and commenced the work of collecting the necessary information and arranging the statistical tables, in proper and convenient form to be laid before the Legislature, and for distribution among our citizens.

The functions of the commissioner embrace the examination of nearly all the varied industribution of the Right and are defined in the act as tries of the State, and are defined in the act as follows: "The duties of such officer shall be

the vote of the whole people. Hence, the duty of enacting another apportionment bill devolves upon the present Legulature, and I request for it that excelul and patriotic consideration The sixth section of the sixth article of the

Constitution declares that—
"A state Treasurer shall be elected annually by joint vote of both branches of the Legislature."
But the Legislature, by joint resolution, passed at two consecutive sessions, and appro-ed by popular vote at the last October election has amended this part of the Constitution, it striking out the section above quoted, and in-serting in place thereof the following:

"A State Treasurer shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the State, at such times

The several duties imposed upon the Executive and Secretary of State, by the act of the last session authorizing the convention, were duly performed. The delegates having been chosen at the October election, convened in this city on the twelfth day of November. The

A careful revision of our fundamental law is imperatively demanded by the highest considerations of public welfare; and it is confidently hoped the action of that body may be such as to meet the just expectations of enlightened

WRITS OF EREOR IN CRIMINAL CASES. The attention of the Legislature is again invited to the importance of writs of error is criminal cases, and referrence is made to my last two annual messages for the arguments and reasons why there should be additional egislation upon this subject.

EDUCATION.

> \$21,578,258 6 . \$23,861,902,60

From the report of the Superintendent of Soldiers Orphans's chools, and other sources, I feel fully authorized in assuring you they were never before in as more flourishing and which the subsistence of themselves Prosperous condition.

Every child, legally eligible, and having made and their families depended. Such Every child, legally eligible, and having made application, is now admitted to these schools. The whole number of admissions since 1865 is 6,429; the discharges from all causes 2,902, leaving in attendance 3,527. No larger number will probably hereafter be attained, and it may confidently be expected that this number will be subject to an annual reduction of at least 500, until the system shall have accomplished its mission. its mission.

The entire expense of these schools to the State, since they went into operation in 1865, is \$3,467,553 11. Their cost during the last year was \$475,245 47. It is estimated by the

The health of the children has been excellent. Their exception from small-pox, while it was prevailing all around them, is remarkable; and no stronger evidence of good management and the propitions results of systematic vaccination, could be adduced. The exemplary conduct of the pupils after their discharge is one of the most gratifying circumstances connected with their history. The following statement of the Superintendent will be highly satisfactory to the Legislature and the people; "From the beginning of these schools to the present, the greater part of the children who have received their advantages have been honorably discharged. And from facts in the possession of the department, it appears that more than ninety-cight per cent, are doing well, and seem likely to become upright and useful citizens."

The health of the children for small years and into service.

For a full statement of the disturbances at Williamsport, and of the operations of the military called into service, on appeal of the civil anthorities, you are referred to the official statement of Major General Jesse Merrill, commanding the 11th Division, which appears at length in the Adjutant General's report.

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