

Thanksgiving Sermon.

BY REV. HENRY WARD BEECHER. We must conduct this war by and through our own institutions, or else we must declare that our institutions have failed, and that we have resorted to original principles.

The President's Message

Most persons after reading the President's Message will lay it down with a feeling of disappointment—not so much on account of what he says, as what he omits to say.

THE MONTROSE DEMOCRAT

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Donation Visit.

The friends of the Rev. E. W. Breckinridge and family, are respectfully invited to make their annual donation visit at the parsonage in Lymanville on the afternoon and evening of Thursday the 19th instant.

WAR NEWS.

A letter from Port Royal, received by the steamer Vanderbilt, states that the Seventy-ninth New York Regiment made a reconnaissance towards Charleston, capturing three batteries, and after spiking the guns they returned, having approached within twenty miles of Charleston.

A GREAT REDUCTION IN PRICES!

GUTTENBERG, ROSENBAUM, & CO., AT Montrose, Susq'a County, Pa., Elmira, New-York, Susquehanna Depot, Pa.

Advertisement for clothing and goods, featuring 'NOTICE! MEN, WOMEN, CHILDREN' and 'READY-MADE CLOTHING'.

Refurnishing the White House.

Messrs. W. H. Carryl & Bro., of Philadelphia, have just completed the refurnishing of the Presidential Mansion. The House has been newly papered throughout, carpeted, curtained, and several of the upper rooms supplied with new and elegant furniture.

PURPOSES OF THE WAR!

Congress by a vote nearly unanimous, passed the following resolution: That the present deplorable civil war has been forced upon the country by the disunion of the Southern States, now in arms against the Constitutional Government, and in arms against the Capital; that in this National emergency, Congress, banishing all feeling of mere passion or resentment, will redouble its duty to the whole country; that it will not withhold on their part in any spirit of oppression, or for any purpose of conquest or subjugation, or with a view of overthrowing or destroying any State, but to defend and maintain the supremacy of the Constitution, and to preserve the Union, with all the dignity, equality, and rights of the several States united.

Our Foreign Relations.

The feelings of different foreign powers towards us, as shown by lengthy correspondence with the State Department, may be briefly summed up as follows: England exhibits no sympathy for us, but rather the reverse.

37th CONGRESS—1st SESSION.

Dec. 2.—House.—Mr. Maynard of Tennessee, rose to a privileged question, and presented the credentials of Dr. Clemens, elected from the 4th Congressional district of the State of Tennessee.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Dec. 5th.—Secretary Seward yesterday issued an order to General McClellan, directing that the slaves coming within the lines of the army of the Potomac be recruited into the military service of the United States, and that their arrest as fugitives from labor or service be followed by the military arrest of the parties making the seizure.

TO THE LOVERS OF GOOD MUSIC.

Mr. J. G. Townor, of the Normal Academy of Music, Geneseo, N. Y., will hold a Musical Convention in Brooklyn, Susq'a Co., commencing Tuesday, Jan. 7th, 1862, at 10 o'clock A. M. To hold four days, and close with a concert.

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Mr. J. G. Townor, of the Normal Academy of Music, Geneseo, N. Y., and Mr. J. G. Huntington, Pianist, of the above Institution, and also of the Normal Musical Institute North Hading, Mass., would announce to the citizens of Montrose and vicinity, that they will give a Musical Drill, of two weeks, in this place, sometime in January or February next.