

The Press

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TO ADVERTISERS.—The circulation of THE PRESS exceeds that of any other daily paper in Philadelphia, with the exception of the religious papers of this fact will be cheerfully given to advertisers.

FIRST PAGE.—The Comedy of Politics; Great Union Instead of One; The Bazaar Dinner; New York Correspondence; Personal and Political; Mass Meeting; The Revolution in the South; Foreign News; The Fortifications of Louisiana; General News; List of Letters; Marine Intelligence.

THE PROGRESS of the United States are being taught a fearful lesson. Every day gives them some new developments. The country trends upon another's heels, so fast they follow. Not only are they contemplating the rapid decay of the Government, the overthrow of all restraints of law, the utter repudiation of every moral obligation on the part of the States claiming to be sovereign, but they are contending with a general anarchy, so that the States are without a parallel in the history of civilization. As the Government seems about to succumb through the cracks produced by which may be believed to be a vast earthquake, they witness a mass of turbulence and crime which is so to speak all that is left of the Western continent, bids fair to sink into the position of a fifth-class city, dependent for its support upon a weak and fluctuating trade with Mexico, Central America, and the agricultural States of the Mississippi and the Gulf of Mexico.

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Savings Bank Institutions. It is now feared that there is a good deal of smuggling in State Legislatures. The latest intimation within our knowledge is a bill, which has already passed some stages, whereby Savings Bank Institutions are to be allowed to retain monies deposited with them for a term of years, and to withdraw them at the option of the depositor. This is a bill, which is a good deal of a nature, and is a very important one. It is a bill, which is a good deal of a nature, and is a very important one. It is a bill, which is a good deal of a nature, and is a very important one.

The Coming Cloud over England. At this moment a casual observer may think that England ought to be a happy Kingdom. As it stands, there is no dissatisfaction, for the English people are in a state of peace and contentment. The water of Agitation only for a moment, and as Paddy himself would say, "let nothing stir him but stagnation." In China, the war has ended—so the present. The Affairs in South Africa are quiet. The New Zealand insurrection has been put down. The war in Mexico is over, and England is to receive the news of its termination with satisfaction. This is a mere preface to the outlay, for so to the beginning of October, as much as \$50,000,000 had been expended on the Chinese war, and John Bull may reckon himself fortunate if, by the time the last ship, soldier, sailor, and sailor, has returned, he has not lost the additional cost of less than \$100,000,000. We are extremely simple-minded, (as our readers will know) but an outlay of \$76,000,000, "does not pay."

Engagements elsewhere. It was impossible to resist the temptation of a few lines, never yet made, have compelled Mr. Booth to make his final appearance as Lord Dundreary for the present. This is a disappointment to the managers as well as to the public, for Mr. Booth's success in the comedy has been the cause of the loss of the management during the previous part of the season. The theatre was as crowded on Saturday evening (Mr. Booth's last appearance) as it has ever been in the city. By the way, the present will be a benefit week at Walnut-street Theatre. To-night Mr. Murphy, the lesser's business agent, has his benefit, and on Monday evening, the play of "The Merchant of Venice" will be given. The play of "The Merchant of Venice" will be given. The play of "The Merchant of Venice" will be given.

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LETTER FROM "KAPPA." The following-named Representatives have signed Mr. Montgomery's proposition, that the members of Congress should be allowed to vote on the election of their successors, to meet on the 22d of February, in order that they, being fresh from the people, may adjust the present political differences. Montgomery and Florence, of Pennsylvania; Messrs. Olin, of Ohio; and Messrs. Olin, of Ohio; and Messrs. Olin, of Ohio.

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