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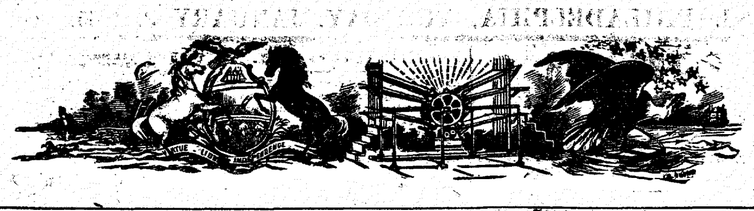

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HARRISBURG.

ARRIVAL OF SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES—IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CAPITOL—WHO WILL BE THE OFFICERS OF THE LEGISLATURE—THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE—THE CONTESTED SEATS.

[Special Despatch to The Press.]

HARRISBURG, January 2, 1865.

The Legislative halls are well filled this morning with old and new Senators and Representatives, while here and there may be seen flitting about gentlemen anxious to fill official positions. The regular Legislative reporter of the Philadelphia newspaper press is also at his post, and correspondents of numerous journals in the State are preparing their quills for the coming session. The Philadelphia delegation are all here, and each train from the north, south, east, and west brings with it fortunate individuals who have been sent here to represent the wishes of the people of their districts. That they may all faithfully represent them is most devoutly to be wished.

During the vacation the carpenter, painter, and upholsterer have been busily engaged in plying their respective vocations, and consequently, both Chambers present an appearance of neatness which it is by no means agreeable to know will soon be changed into a condition not calculated to favorably impress the visitor. The most important improvement, probably, is the substitution of new and comfortable chine-seat arm-chairs for the old leather-covered chairs from which the members formerly, before and after the daily sessions, raised their pedal extremities on high.

To-day, of course, will be set apart for buttonholeing, and this evening the two opposition parties will decide for whom they will cast their votes to-morrow after the two bodies are fully organized. It may, however, be already announced as certain that Mr. J. Turrell, of Susquehanna county, will be the presiding officer of the Senate, with George W. Hammerly, of Philadelphia, as chief clerk, and Arthur G. Olmstead, representing Tioga and Potter, the Speaker of the House, with Adin W. Benedict, of Huntingdon, as chief clerk, a position he filled during the last session. Mr. Denniston, of Allegheny, and a member from that county last winter, will be the assistant clerk of the Senate. Mr. Turrell is about fifty years of age, and a lawyer by profession, formerly an exponent of the principles of the Democratic party. He has for several years been equally active as a leader of the opposition. Mr. Hammerly is well known, being versed in everything relating to the duties of his position. Mr. Olmstead, who is a careful and attentive Legislator, is about thirty-eight years of age, and is an able lawyer, having been admitted to the bar of Potter county in 1850, since which period he has devoted the most undivided attention to his profession. This will be his third session in the House. Mr. Denniston was four years ago transcribing clerk in the House, and during the war has served as lieutenant in one of the regiments of Sickles' celebrated Excelsior Brigade, a post of honor he was compelled to vacate on account of ill-health.

The Governor has been busy preparing his annual message, which, by the way, promises to be of even more than usual interest. It will be finished tomorrow afternoon, and will be sent to the Senate and House on Wednesday.

There will be some contested seats in the House of Representatives, one of which will be that of Mr. De Haven, of your city, which Mr. Schofield thinks he is more entitled to occupy, on the ground that Mr. De Haven has not lived sufficiently long in the district to give him the privilege of representing it.

[From the Associated Press.]

HARRISBURG, Jan. 2.—The session of the Pennsylvania Legislature for 1865 commences on Tuesday, January 3d.

The presiding officers of the Senate and House will be William J. Turrell, of Susquehanna county, Pa., (Eleventh Senatorial district,) and Arthur G. Olmstead, of Potter county, from the Representative district composed of the counties of Tioga and Potter. The chief clerk of the Senate will be George W. Hammersly, of Germantown, and of the House Adin W. Benedict, of Huntingdon county.

The message of Governor Curtin will probably not be ready before Wednesday. The election of State Treasurer takes place on January 18th. No business of importance will be done during the present week, except to effect an organization and adjust several contested seats.

APPOINTMENT OF A CHIEF EDITORIAL SECRETARY.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 2.—Col. James C. Biddle, of the staff of Major General Meade, now on leave, has assumed the duties of chief of the transportation and telegraph departments of Pennsylvania, and of military secretary to the Governor, to which position he has been appointed by Governor Curtin. Col. Biddle is a gentleman of fine education and acquirements, as well as military experience, having served with credit since the commencement of the war. The duties of the important department to which he is assigned will be efficiently performed, and in his selection the Governor has secured the services of a valuable aid.

Rumored Mission to Richmond.

ALLEGED DEPARTURE FOR RICHMOND OF FRANCIS P. BLAIR, SR., ON A PEACE MISSION—HIS INVITATION DIRECT FROM JEFF. DAVIS—OPINIONS AND STATEMENTS OF THE WASHINGTON INTELLIGENCER AND NEW YORK HERALD.

Francis P. Blair, Sr., and Montgomery, his son, have gone to the front, and have been spending some days with General Grant. This visit is made the foundation of many peace rumors, which find currency in some of the Washington papers and in the correspondence of the New York journals. The *National Intelligencer* has gathered up and sifted these rumors, which, it says, have "all an important political character," and presents the two subjoined, which "obtain the most credit:"

1. That Jeff Davis sent a special invitation to Mr. Blair, by flag of truce, to visit him at Richmond, though for what object said, Davis confessed, at the quidnuncs claim that the result of the interview, should it be held, will have important bearings upon the relations between the Northern and Southern States.

2. The other rumor is that Mr. Blair is charged with an initiative peace mission, which, if he be executed by direct communication with the Confederate authorities. The peculiar relations existing between Mr. Blair and the President tend to obtain more general credence for this report.

The New York *Tribune*, commenting on these rumors and the departure of the Messrs. Blair, says:

It is understood that their errand is one of peace; or, perhaps we should more correctly state it to see whether any terms short of our national struggle is now attainable. We presume their mission is not in terms officially, but it were absurd to pretend, considering who they are, and what they are their personal relations to the President, that it is unauthorized. While we consider Richmond about the least hopeful point in the Confederacy at which to seek an acceptable peace, and regret that the Messrs. Blair had not proceeded, or offered to proceed, to Washington, Richmond, and Petersburg, we can scarcely encourage hopes of any immediate pacification as a result of this mission, we yet rejoice that it has departed, and are confident that its influences will be salutary and its ultimate consequences beneficent. For the Southern people need, above all things, to be undeceived with regard to the origin, impulses, and purposes of the party of the Union. They have so long been incessantly told that the North is fighting for subjugation—for unrestricted domination—for plunder, confiscation, or rapine—that thousands who should know a great deal better actually seem to believe it. The visit of the Messrs. Blair to Richmond, and the propositions which they will there (doubtless) submit to the Confederate chiefs, cannot be kept from the knowledge of the South, and cannot fail to be largely influential in disabusing the Southern mind. If it shall indeed appear that the North wants nobody enslaved, but every body liberated; nobody despoiled, but the rights and earnings of every human being placed under the protection of just and equal laws; then we say it is scarcely possible that these false malignity, the vengeful hate, which have thus far animated the rebel masses in their war upon their own country, can retain their virulence unmodified. And, at all events, in this mission, the civilized world will see, even though the rebels obstinately bandage its own eyes, the evidence of a spirit pervading our loyal people and their Government quite different from that persistently ascribed to them by their enemies. We are therefore inclined to attribute a profound significance to the visit of the Messrs. Blair to Richmond, and to expect very it beneficent, even though not immediate nor very palpable results.

NAVAL.

THE DICTATOR.—The trip of the Dictator, from New York to Hampton Roads, was much more successful than was prophesied by many, and in due time the details will be made known. As the vessel has not yet completed her mission, or arrived at her final destination, it is not deemed necessary to give particulars at this time.

SPECIAL ORDER.—Admiral Paulding has just issued an order to commanding officers, to "not allow any shore boat to approach their vessels, nor will they allow any person, not attached to the yard, to land in their boats at any of the docks."

SLOOPS-OF-WAR IN COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION.—The following is a list of the new sloops-of-war now in course of construction:

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