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THE STATE OF COLORADO.

Congress, by an act approved the 3d day of March, 1875, authorized the inhabitants of the Territory of Colorado to form a State Government, with the name of the State of Colorado, and therein provided for the admission of said State, when formed, into the Union upon an equal footing with the original States.

THE ARMY AND ITS OCCUPATION IN THE PAST YEAR.

The report of the Secretary of War shows that the Army has been actively employed during the year in subduing, at the request of the Indian Bureau, certain wild bands of the Sioux Indian nation, and in preserving the peace at the South during the election. The commission constituted under the act of July 24, 1876, to consider and report on the whole subject of reform and reorganization of the whole Army met in August last, and has collected a large mass of statistics and opinions bearing upon the subject before it.

RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE SECRETARY OF WAR.

I invoke your special attention to the following recommendations of the Secretary of War:

First—That the claims under the act of July 4, 1864, for supplies taken by the Army during the war, be removed from the offices of the Quartermaster and Commissary Generals, and transferred to the Southern Claims Commission.

Second—That Congress sanction the scheme of an annuity fund for the benefit of the families of deceased officers, and that it also provide for the permanent organization of the signal service, both of which were recommended in my last Message.

Third—That the manufacturing operation of the Ordnance Department be concentrated at three arsenals and an armory, and that the remaining arsenals be sold and the proceeds applied to this object by the Ordnance Department.

EXPENDITURE OF THE RIVERS AND HARBORS APPROPRIATIONS

The appropriations for river and harbor improvements for the current year were \$5,015,000. With my approval, the Secretary of War directed that of this amount, \$2,000,000 should be expended, and no new work should be begun and none prosecuted which were not of national importance.

THE NAVY—CRIPPLING ECONOMY.

The report of the Secretary of the Navy shows that branch of the service to be in a condition as effective as it is possible to keep it with the means and authority given the department. It is, of course, not possible to rival the costly and progressive establishments of great European powers with the old material of our Navy, to which increase has been authorized since the late war, except the eight small cruisers built to supply the place of others which had

gone to decay. Yet the most has been done that was possible with the means at command; and by substantially rebuilding some of our old ships with durable material, and completely repairing and refitting our monitor fleet, the Navy has been gradually so brought up that, though it does not maintain its relative position among the progressive Navies of the world, it is now in a condition more powerful and effective than it ever has been in time of peace.

THE POSTAL SERVICE.

The report of the Postmaster General shows the excess of expenditures, excluding expenditures on account of previous years, over receipts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1876, to be \$4,151,988 66. Estimated expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1878, are \$36,723,432 43. Estimated revenue for the same period is \$30,645,165, leaving an estimated excess of expenditure to be appropriated as a deficiency of \$6,078,267 48.

OBSTRUCTION IN THE SOUTH.

A few Postmasters in the Southern States have expressed great apprehension of their personal safety, on account of their connection with the postal service, and have specially requested that their reports of apprehended danger should not be made public, lest it should result in the loss of their lives.

DECREASED DEFICIENCY LAST YEAR.

A very gratifying result is presented in the fact that the deficiency of the department during the last fiscal year was reduced to \$4,081,790 18, as against \$6,169,938 88 of the preceding year. The difference can be traced to the large increase in its ordinary receipts, (which greatly exceeded the estimates therefor,) and a slight decrease in its expenditures.

THE AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

The report of the Commissioner of Agriculture, accompanying the Message, will be found one of great interest, showing, as it does, the great progress of the last century in the variety of products of the soil, increased knowledge and skill in the labor of producing, saving, and manipulating the same to prepare them for the use of man, in the improvements in machinery to aid the agriculturist in his labors, and in a knowledge of those scientific subjects necessary to a thorough system of economy in agricultural production, namely, chemistry, botany, entomology, &c.

I call special attention to the need of the department for a new gallery for the reception of the exhibits returned from the Centennial Exhibition, including the exhibits donated by very many foreign nations, and to the recommendations of the Commissioner of Agriculture generally.

THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The reports of the District Commissioners and of the Board of Health are just received, too late to read them and to make recommendations thereon, and are herewith submitted.

THE CENTENNIAL EXHIBITION.

The International Exhibition held in Philadelphia this year in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of American Independence, has proved a great success, and well, no doubt, be of enduring ad-

vantage to the country. It has shown the great progress in the arts, sciences, and mechanical skill made in a single century, and demonstrated that we are but little behind older nations in any one branch, while in some we scarcely have a rival. It has served, too, not only to bring peoples and products of skill and labor from all parts of the world together, but in bringing together people from all sections of our own country, which must prove a great benefit in the information imparted and the pride of country engendered.

THE MODE OF ELECTING THE PRESIDENT.

The attention of Congress cannot be too earnestly called to the necessity of throwing some greater safeguard over the method of choosing and declaring the election of a President. Under the present system there seems to be no provided remedy for contesting the election in any State.

SANTO DOMINGO ANNEXATION.

I append to this Message, for convenient reference, a synopsis of administrative events and of all recommendations to Congress, made by me during the last seven years. Time may show some of these recommendations not to have been wisely conceived, but I believe the larger part will be no discredit to the Administration.

Notice is hereby given, that the Account of Thomas M. McIlhenny, Assignee of Kitson, Walker & Davis, of the Borough of Stroudsburg, has been filed in the office of the Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas of Monroe County, and will be presented for confirmation and allowance at the next term of said Court, to be held the 25th day of December, A. D. 1876, of which all persons interested may take notice.

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U. S. GRANT. EXECUTIVE MANSION, Dec. 5, 1876.

'76. FALL '76.

GRAND ARRIVAL OF NEW GOODS AT THE CORNER STORE!

C. R. ANDRE & CO.

Have just returned from the City with an IMMENSE STOCK OF Foreign and Domestic Dry Goods,

consisting of Cassimeres, Flannels, Dress Goods and Notions, as well as a fine assortment of latest style CALICOES.

GOODS and PRICES

without incurring the least obligation to purchase.

Every article is marked in plain figures.

Call and see for yourself and be convinced that the

CORNER STORE

IS THE PLACE TO BUY!

C. R. ANDRE & CO.

Opposite AMERICAN HOTEL.

Stroudsburg, Oct. 16, 1876.—4f.

Don't fail to attend McCarty's Furniture Sales every day. Great bargains in Furniture, Oil Cloth, Carpets, Pianos, Organs, &c. &c. McCARTY & SONS.

FOR RENT.

A Farm in Paradise Valley will be rented for 1 year with the privilege of longer term in shares or money rent. Enquire for address H. S. Seip, Easton, Pa., or Esqr. John Transue, Paradise Valley. [Oct. 19-2m.]

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of a writ of ven. ex. de terra, to me directed, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Monroe County, I will expose to sale at public vendue, on Saturday, the 23d day of December, 1876, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at the Court House, in the Borough of Stroudsburg, Monroe County, the following described real estate:

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Register's Notice.

Notice is hereby given, to all persons interested in the Estates of the respective decedents, that the following accounts have been filed in the Register's Office of Monroe County, and will be presented for confirmation to the Orphans' Court of said county at Stroudsburg, on Monday, December 25th, 1876, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

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First Gun from Stroudsburg!

Decker 5000 Ahead!!

The Mercantile Appraiser says that

DECKER & CO

OF THE

WONDERFUL CHEAP

AUCTION STORE

and one other old established merchant has sold more goods the past year than any other store in the county.

You see, the people themselves have decided which is the cheapest Store, and here they will crowd in spite of all opposition, pulling, coaxing or hauling, for here they know they

Save Their Dollars.

The Auction Store is now chuck up full of wonderful cheap fall and winter goods, and now we say to the people of Monroe, Northampton and Warren Counties, Come one, come all.

Do you want beautiful dress goods, calicoes, muslies, table diaper, towellings, denims or stripe shirting come to Decker's and

Save Your Dollars.

Do you want splendid Under Vest for Ladies' or Under Shirts and Drawers for Gents' or Hosiery and Gloves, come straight to Decker's and

Save Your Dollars.

Do you want beautiful Rose Blankets, Horse Blankets, Cotton or Wool Flannels, of all descriptions or a good Carpet at nearly half price, come to Decker's and

Save Your Dollars.

Do you want 200 Yard Spool Cotton for three cents, and large paper of Pins for five cents, or a paper of best Needles, for five cents, and all kinds of notions, for nearly Half Price, then come to Decker's and

Save Your Dollars.

Do you want beautiful styles of Ladies' cloth for Cloak or Sacks, or fine Cassimeres, Satinets, Tweeds or Kentucky Janes, come to Decker's and

Save Your Dollars.

Do you want a good substantial Suit of Clothes for yourself or for your Boys, or a single Coat for 4 or 5 dollars, or a single pair of Pants for 1 dollar and 50 cents, lined, or a heavy Cassimere Vest for 1 dollar, or a good Overcoat for five dollars, come to Decker's and

Save Your Dollars.

Do you want fine or common Hats, or Winter Caps for yourself and boys, then, come at once to Decker's and

Save Your Dollars.

Do you want Millinery Goods, such as Trimmed or Untrimmed Hats for Ladies', Misses or Children, or Ribbons, Feathers or Flowers for nearly half price, then come to Decker's and

Save Your Dollars.

Do you want Rousing Calf or Heavy Kip Boots for men and boys, whole leather, or splendid Pebble Goat Button or Lace Shoes, for ladies' misses or children, or the best Rubber Boots & Shoes then come to Decker's and only to Decker's can you

Save Your Dollars.

Now all we can ask is for every one to come and see for himself before he buys any where else.

DECKER & CO.,

4 Doors Below the Post Office. Stroudsburg, Oct. 19, 1876-3m.

WOOD PUMPS advertisement with logo and text: Blatchley's Standard Consumer and Gravel Co.'s Pumps, with upper lifting and new style, and all valuable improvements.