WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1890.

Congress-The President's Mes-

sage.

business. Among the very first acts adopt. was that of a Democrat who introduced a bill to cripple the new tariff bill. It is safe to say, however, that that measure will not become a law at this session. The President's Message was read and attentively listened to throughout. The document is pronounced by many to be the ablest state paper presented to Congress for many years. The Pittsburgh Com .-Gazette thus reviews it:

No one can peruse the message which President Harrison transmitted to Congress yesterday without gathergratifying and assuring character. nificant movements among the practi our relations with foreign Nations, and coming to those of a domestic nature, we find the National finances in a the hope is entertained that some months of further trial will demonstrate its capacity to bring the value of the two metals closer together. There has been a gratifying increase in the money circulation, but a small proportion of which is due to silver

That there has been a marked improvement during the year in the agricultural industries is apparent from the figures furnished by the Secretary of Agriculture. The advances in the having much else to do just now, have prices of wheat, corn, oats, meats and fallen into a discussion about a candiother products have been most substantial, and the exportations of cattle and hogs, beef, pork and poultry, have been largely increased. In a of the Legislature who will, of course, word, there has been a marked im- vote for somebody, and while they will provement in the general trade and elect no one the compliment is regardindustrial conditions of the country during the past year. The balance of foreign trade is again in our favor, and the bank clearings show that the Senate, he was naturally voted for by increase in the volume of business the minority. Any other action would was very general throughout the have been an indignity to him. He country. The value of domestic exports exceeded those of the preceding year by \$115,000,000, and about \$100,-000,000 of this excess was in agricultural products. Labor is everywhere fully employed, strikes and lockouts ince. As it was on all sides conceded are diminishing in numbers, the depression in agriculture has been greatly relieved, and an abundant and hopeful tone was prevailing when the foreign money stringency developed and made its influence felt here. The President expresses the belief that the disturbance will be of short duration, being unable to withstand "the strong, safe and wholesome influences which are operating to give the people profitable returns in all branches of legitimate trade and industry."

The effects of the new tariff are discussed in a frank and sensible manner. "There is neither wisdom nor justice," says the President, "in the suggestion that the subject of tariff revision shall be opened before this law has had a fair trial." While the law is not de-fended as faultless in every respect, the President believes "in its general scope and effect it will justify the support of those who believe that American legislation should conserve and defend American trade and the wages disseminated at home and abroad respecting its effects. Already the reports of our custom houses are disproving the charge that certain duties than for the same period in 1889, or 29 per cent. greater than in the same period in 1888.

The President has a good word for reciprocity and anticipates great renew tariff bill. It is a distinct and definite offer of free entry to our ports of specific articles. When the coun-

and importance of passing certain in its eagerness to surrender its few measures, among them those relating principles and make a combination importance. Last, but not least in trade. importance, is the potent argument in favor of the passage of a Federal the Farmers' Alliance does not appear Election law, which, while being absolutely non-partisan and impartial, has begun a contest against the Demwill make free and safe the path of the ocrats for the Governorship of that elector to the ballot box and the State, and as it has entire control of count so true and open that none can the Legislature the outlook is not very gainsay it.

and dignified in manner, hopeful and and, what is of much more moment, patriotic in tone, and cannot fail to an antagonism to the Democracy exert an assuring and strengthening which bodes no good for a future union influence among all classes. It is ar- between the two parties. Western dently to be hoped that Congress will Democratic papers are consequently be able to accomplish the important trying to plead with the Alliance and work committed to its hands within persuade it to withdraw from the conthe limited time at its disposal.

In Free Trade England, where the Democracy. blessings of direct taxation prevail, a

she might mind the borse while he was attending to business was recently summoned before a Magistrate on the charge of "keeping a carriage without a license." The astute Magistrate decided that the poor countryman had no right to drive his wife about and that by such use the cart became a The second session of the fifty-first carriage under the law, and was liable Congress convened on Monday at to taxation. This is the system which toon, and immediately proceeded to the farmers of America are asked to

THE hob nobbing of prominet Tam many Hall men with the Maryland Democrats bodes no good to the Cleve land boom. Senator Gorman is known to be opposed to the nomination of the ex President, and it looks very much like he had formed an alliance with the Tammanyites, who are for Hill. Senator Barbour, of Virginia, who is credited with being able to control bis State's delegation to the next National Democratic convention, says that, in his opinion, Mr. Cleveland ought not ing from it much information of a to be nominated. Against these sigcal politicians, Mr. Cleveland has so far nothing to put, except the enthusiastic endorsement of Representatives very satisfactory condition. The sil- Mills and Springer, both of whom are ver act has been disappointing in the expecting aid from him in their fight fluctuating price of that metal, but for the Speakership of the next House of Representatives. Mr. Cleveland may receive the Democratic nomina tion in 1892-we hope he will-rather beat him than anybody else-but it is already evident that he and his friends will have to fight hard for it, and it is not certain that even the hardest of fighting will get it for him.

> THE Democrats of this State, not date for United States Senator. There are eighty some Democratic members ed as worth having. In 1881, at the close of Mr. Wallace's term in the was again complimented in 1885, being at that time a member of the State Senate, In 1887 Senator Wolverton was made the Democratic caucus nomthat if any accident bad given the Democrats the Legislature this time Mr. Wallace would have secured the Senatorship, it has generally been sup posed he would receive whatever com pliment is implied in the vote of the Democratic members. But within a few days the friends of ex-Lieutenant Governor Black bave been showing what an appropriate thing it would be to make him the Senatorial candidate. As he has fallen outside the breastworks, and this is the only thing within immediate reach, the suggestion has proved so popular that it is altogether likely to take hold.

Ready to Swallow the Alliance.

The large vote polled by the Farm ers' Alliance in the Western States has awakened a desire among Democrats of American workmen." Time will to absorb this organization into their correct the misinformation so widely party. One open proposition to this effect has already been made by J. Sterling Morton, the well known Free are prohibitory. The imports at New York for the first three weeks of No-conventien, to be held in Lincoln, vember were nearly 8 per cent. greater Neb., on Jackson's day, January 8, to perfect a combination between the Alliance and the Democracy.

There is nothing unnatural in an effort to this end being made by the sults from the reciprocity clause in the Democratic party. That party has always stood ready to gather within its fold any "ism," however chimerical tries which send us sugar, coffee, tea or objectionable it might be, so long as and hides have placed on their free it brought votes along with it. It lists such of our products as shall be allied itself with the curse of slavery agreed upon as an equivalent for our and continued to defend the evil until concession a proclamation to that ef- that institution disappeared in the fect completes the transaction -and in blood and flame of war. When the the meantime our people have tea, Greenback craze swept over the councoffee, sugar and hides free of duty. try the Democracy thought it saw Congress is admonished of the duty votes in the delusion, and it was mad to the development of American with the new party. So now the Dem steamship lines; the incorporation of ocratic party cares nothing for the ar International American Bank; the real or imaginary wrongs of the farmbill for the relief of the Supreme ers, but it thinks it sees Congressmen, Court of the United States; a Nation- Governors, and Presidents galore in al bankrupt law; the engrafting of a the Alliance vote, and it is ready to postal telegraph system upon the mail swap its principles for this vote if the service, and some other bills of minor farmers can be induced to make the

In the case of Nebraska, however, to be in a mood to make the trade. It satisfactory to the Democrats. They The document throughout is calm see a chance of losing a Governorship dash of cold water on the hopes of the

If the Farmers' Alliance wants to man cannot keep a dog-cart, light ve- combine with the Democratic party it countryman who drove his wife to will march, body and soul, into the market in a farmers' cart in order that Alliance camp. - Phila, Press.

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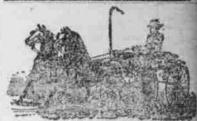
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