

The President's Message.

The last message of President Cleveland to the 53d Congress is a voluminous affair covering over fourteen columns of closely set matter. It deals of nothing new, and is more in the nature of a rebash of Department reports. The President seems to think there has not been enough tariff tinkering yet, so he recommends coal, iron and refined sugar be placed on the free list. Of the bulky state paper the Derrick says: President Cleveland's last message to the Fifty-third Congress is a disappointing document in many respects. There is hardly enough fire and vitriol in it to suit the few friends who still stand by him, or satisfy the people, who were curious to know in what light he regarded their criticism of his policy, as expressed in their disapproval of the Democratic party by the verdict of the ballot box. But Grover has nothing new to offer, and he takes up twelve or fifteen columns of newspaper space, in a synopsis of our foreign relations, and a rebash of the reports presented by the chiefs of his various departments. He approves of their several recommendations with monotonous verbosity and with a brief eulogy in behalf of civil service reform, winds up his formidable document with a strong endorsement of Secretary Carlisle's scheme of currency reform.

The entire message is trite and commonplace and suggests the anguish of a man suffering from a sore toe and disappointed hopes. The reader who has patience enough to go through it from beginning to end cannot fail to be aware of the strain it cost to strain it out, and a few grains of sympathy involuntarily go out to the writer. It is hard work to read it and it must have been infinitely harder to have written it.

It is difficult to realize in the few words that the President devotes to the tariff that this measure was so unsatisfactory to him that he refused to give it his signature. Beyond saying that it needs a few amendments and that he is in favor of free coal, free iron and free sugar, he almost entirely ignores it.

His recommendations for a National Board of Health are commendable, but he is on safe grounds here, as the subject has been thoroughly considered heretofore. His remarks about American ships and sailors have been the spread-eagle arguments of the free traders for years. He devotes considerable attention to the Bluefields incident, and the little discussion it aroused between the United States and Great Britain, but has nothing to say for or against the Nicaragua canal enterprise.

But it is Mr. Cleveland's financial recommendations that will call down the vials of wrath upon his consecrated head. He calls attention in a vague way to the government's financial difficulties, but fails to apprehend the cause. Free trade means diminished revenue, and diminished revenue means that instead of paying off the national debt it will be necessary to increase it by issuing more bonds. The bonds have already been placed on the market by Mr. Cleveland and now he sees a great light in the direction of a more elastic currency. This is to be obtained by chasing a financial rainbow and a complicated system of bank currency guaranteed by the government—a system cumbersome, impracticable and impossible of being put in operation by an American Congress.

THERE was probably no election in the country that surprised the Democrats more than the result in Utah. They had passed the ability act to enable the Territory to become a State in the Union and renominated the man for Delegate to Congress who did most to secure the passage of the act and to favor what is known as the Mormon vote. But they were defeated badly. The Republican candidate for Delegate to Congress was elected and a Republican majority of fifteen in the Constitutional Convention was secured. This will enable the Republicans to frame the first fundamental law of the new State, and if they do the work well it ought to commend them enough to the voters to secure a Republican Governor and Legislature.

Four years ago the Republican vote in the Territory was only 6986; in 1892 it was 12,390, and in the recent election it was about 21,000. This is a gratifying increase, and if it is maintained next year, when the first State election occurs, it will show that the Democrats made one of their numerous miscalculations when they counted on Utah going Democratic.

Gold at a premium. This is the result of another Civil War, the war of the Free Trade Administration against American industries.

The imports of dutiable goods during October were worth \$6,500,000 more than in October, 1893. This was the second month under the new tariff.—American Economist.

The exports of linen manufacturers from Great Britain to the United States comprised 7,658,700 yards last month as compared with 3,884,800 yards in October, 1893. Tariff tinkering tells.

During the Protection Administration of President Harrison the National debt was decreased by \$244,816,890. During twenty-one months of the Free-Trade Administration of President Cleveland the National debt has been increased by \$100,000,000.

It is a lucky thing for China that she was beaten so easily. It materially lightened Japan's war expenses. A long, hard and bitter contest would have proved very costly, and China would have had so much the more to pay. Japan's demand of \$175,000,000 indemnity is exceedingly moderate, in view of the fact that it covers all her war expenses. If the Mikado really believed in the immense treasures said to be laid away in the Flowery Kingdom he might have insisted on a few hundred millions more.—Derrick.

The Republicans are making a great ado over the vindication of their principles—high tariff, at the last election. In truth they have an elephant on their hands, so to be consistent they must revoke the Wilcox bill and reestablish the McKinley bill. This they dare not do and they know it. Oh what a vindication! Oh what a pickle.—Vindicator.

The Democratic party having been so fearfully and overwhelmingly repudiated at the last election, wouldn't it be acting the part of consistency for it to turn tail and undo the frightful botch-work of last summer by re-enacting the McKinley law? It has still a few months more of life to live in which to do good if it will. Remember the finally impudent.

AN increase of \$3,150,367 in the public debt is shown by the Treasury statement for November. This makes the total deficiency for the five months of the present fiscal year \$22,510,226. Before the passage of the Havemeyer tariff bill Mr. Carlisle and other calculators of the Democratic party figured that the tax on sugar and whiskey would amount to millions in the two months following its passage. Mr. Cleveland carried the bill in his pocket until the Sugar Trust had finished getting in a six-months' stock free of duty and the Whisky Trust had got the bulk of their goods out of bond under the low McKinley rate. Hence, the expected millions dwindled down into a few hundred thousands. Verily, statesmanship comes high, but the people must have it.—Franklin News.

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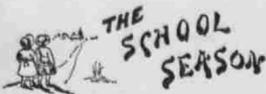
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