

The ratifications of the treaty were exchanged with unusual solemnity. For this purpose Tycoon had accredited three of his most distinguished subjects as envoys extraordinary, ministers plenipotentiary, who were received

In addition—and I deem this a most important consideration—European governments would have been deprived of all pretext to interfere in the territorial and domestic concerns of Mexico. We should thus have been relieved from the obligation of resisting, even by force, should this become necessary, any attempt of these governments to deprive our neighboring republic of portions of her territory; a duty which we would not shrink from without abandoning the territorial and self-protected policy of the American people. I am happy to observe, that, firmly relying upon the justice and good faith of these governments, there is no present danger that our

It is with great satisfaction I communicate the fact, since the date of my last Annual Message, no single slave has been taken from the coast of Africa in violation of the laws prohibiting the African slave trade. This statement is founded upon a thorough examination and investigation of the subject. Indeed, the spirit which pervades the Government since assuming office has been to follow citizens in favor of this trade seems to have entirely subsided.

I also congratulate you upon the public sentiment which exists against the use of setting on foot military expeditions within the limits of the United States, to proceed from thence and make war upon the people of nonoffending States, with whom we are at peace. I trust a general feeling of this kind will be the commencement of my Administration. It is sought to be the prayer of every Christian and patriot that such expeditions may be forever discontinued, and that no man in our country or depart from our shores—

It would be useless repetition to do more than reiterate with earnest commendation, to my former colleagues, the course of action which they have pursued in the exercise of their **POWER**, to the President to employ the naval force in

thies of every heart. The destitution appears to be general that it cannot be relieved by private contributions. The extraordinary circumstances of the war are unable to purchase the necessities of life for the slaves. I refer the subject to Congress. If any constitutional measure for their relief can be devised, I will recommend its adoption.

I cordially commend to your favorable regard the interests of the people of this District. They are eminently entitled to your consideration, especially since, you, the people of the States, they can appeal to no Government except that of the Union.

JAMES BUCHANAN  
WASHINGTON CITY, 3d December, 1860.

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To Keep Iush off Windows.—Take an ordinary paint brush or sponge, and rub over glass, once or twice a day, a little alcohol, it will keep the glass as free from ice as in middle of summer, and will give it good

James Thompson, convicted of stealing from Samuel Freeburn, was sentenced to a fine of \$1 and costs, and undergo two months imprisonment. He also pled guilty to stealing a watch from the house of Wm. M. Kenney, which he was sentenced to an imprisonment of six months, and to pay a fine of \$1 and costs.

Franklin A. Hutton, who had pled guilty on two bills of indictment, to forging the name of his mother, on certain promissory notes, received a sentence of \$2 fine and costs and six months imprisonment.

George Kelly (colored) convicted of attempting to commit a rape on a little white girl, also convicted of assault and battery was sentenced to an imprisonment of two years and costs.

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