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REPORTS.—We give to day an ample synopsis of the Report of the Postmaster General, and also in the same form the report from the Secretary of War.—To morrow we will publish the report of the Secretary of the Navy. Our readers will then be in possession of the President's Message, and all the important reports relating to home affairs. We have made arrangements that will enable us to keep them regularly advised of Congressional doings.

JACKSON MONUMENT.—The agents for the two cities and the county of Allegheny, appointed by "the Jackson Monument Committee," of Washington city, are engaged in soliciting subscription in money, to be applied in erecting a monument, in honor of the hero and statesmen, General ANDREW JACKSON.—We learn that such of our citizens as have been called upon, have contributed freely and generously.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE—CLAY AND THE TARIFF.—The editor of the Commercial Journal, we have always believed, voted for Mr CLAY, and if so, sanctioned his views on great national questions. It would not be fair to presume that the editor voted for Mr CLAY, without first having examined his opinions on the important question of the Tariff. In our paper of Monday, we proved from letters and speeches of Mr CLAY, circulated before the late Presidential election, that he freely avowed himself in favor of such a revenue tariff as is now recommended by President POLK, and declared himself opposed to a high Tariff. But, it may be said by some, that the letters and speeches referred to, were delivered and written for political effect, and perhaps hastily prepared; we will therefore give the views of Mr *Clay*, as presented to the Senate of the U. S., on the 15th of Feb., 1842; Mr Clay on that day presented eleven resolutions for the consideration of the Senate. We annex such of them as indicate the views of the mover on the question of the Tariff:

1. Resolved, That it is the duty of the General Government, in conducting its administration, to provide an adequate revenue within the year to meet the current expenses of the year; and that any expedient either by loan or Treasury notes, to supply in time of peace, a deficiency of revenue, especially during successive years, is unwise, and must lead to pernicious consequences.

2. Resolved, That such an adequate revenue cannot be obtained by duties on foreign imports, without adopting a higher rate than twenty per cent. as provided for in the Compromise act, which, at the time of its passage, was supposed and assumed as a ratio that would supply sufficient revenue for an economical administration of the Government.

3. Resolved, therefore, That the rate of duties on foreign imports ought to be augmented beyond the ratio of twenty per cent, so as to produce a net revenue of twenty six millions of dollars—twenty-two for the ordinary expenses of Government, two for the payment of the existing debt, and two millions as a reserved fund for contingencies.

4. Resolved, That in the adjustment of a tariff to raise an amount of twenty-six millions of revenue, the principles of the Compromise act generally should be adhered to, and that, especially, a maximum ratio of ad valorem duties should be established, from which there ought to be as little departure as possible.

The above resolutions, it will be seen, favors *a single revenue Tariff*. The doctrine of discrimination in favor of home labor, is not even hinted at in the resolutions: not one word is said in them about protection of *any kind or degree*. The resolutions declare it necessary to augment the duties on Foreign imports beyond twenty per cent., for the reason that a higher rate of duty will be necessary to supply sufficient revenue for an economical administration of the government. The resolutions declare that the Tariff should be so arranged as to yield *twenty six millions of dollars*; twenty two millions for the ordinary expenses of the government—two millions for the payment of the existing debt and two millions as a reserved fund for contingencies." The receipts from customs for the fiscal year ending 1845 was $27,528,112 70, being *one million five hundred and twenty-eight thousand one hundred and twelve dollars and seventy cents*, more than the amount fixed by Mr Clay as proper to be realized from duties on Foreign imports; of course Mr Clay would have been compelled to recommend a reduction of the Tariff, had he been elected, or abandon the principles laid down in the resolution.

In the first place, Mr Clay's resolutions favor a *simple revenue Tariff*—President Polk, in his message, favors equal incidental protection: Mr Polk says:

"Care should be taken that all the great interests of the country, including manufactures, agriculture, commerce, navigation, and the mechanic arts, should, as far as may be practicable, derive equal advantages from the *incidental protection* which a just system of revenue duties may afford."

There is not one word in Mr Clay's resolutions indicating a wish that the duties should be so arranged as to afford incidental protection to the great interest of the country.

In the second place the fourth resolution recommends a maximum rate of *ad valorem* duties. Mr Clay advocated his resolutions at great length. We will here place the views of President Polk, as expressed in his Message, and Mr Clay's as expressed in his speech in the Senate of the United States on the 1st of March, 1842, in juxta position.

Extract from Polk's Message.	*Extract from Clay's Speech.*
"By the introduction of minimums, or assumed and false values, and by the imposition of specific duties, the injustice and inequality of the act of 1842 in its practical operations on different classes and pursuits are seen and felt. Many of the *oppressive duties* imposed by it under the operation of these principles, range from one per cent. to *more than two hundred per cent.* They are prohibitory on some articles, and partially so on others, and bear most heavily on articles of *common necessity*, and but lightly on *articles of luxury*."	"He saw no difficulty in ascertaining the value of every article. *He maintained that the ad valorem form was the best.* The specific system maintains that articles of different values should pay the same duty. No respect is paid to value; but all have to pay alike. He admitted that there was one objection to the ad valorem form—that of differences of opinion as to real value; *but he contended that the ad valorem principle could be carried out better than any other.*

"A system of *ad valorem* revenue duties, with proper discriminations and proper guards against frauds in collecting them, it is not doubted, will afford *ample incidental advantages to the manufacturers*, &c."

So much for the ad valorem system. President Polk and Mr Clay, it will be seen, both declare explicitly, that the ad valorem is the most fair and just revenue system.

The whig leaders supported Mr Clay with a full knowledge of his views on the Tariff question. They knew perfectly well that Mr Clay, in his letter to Mr Merriweather of Georgia, written more than a year before the election, had declared that he never was in favor of what he regarded as a *high tariff*, and further that he was in favor of a *revenue Tariff*—one that would raise no more revenue than was necessary for an economical administration of the government; that he was opposed to *specific duties* and in favor of the *ad valorem system*. President POLK, in his message, expresses similar views. He, too, is in favor of a revenue Tariff—he, too, opposes *specific duties* as unjust, and favors the *ad valorem* form, yet he is denounced by the very consistent editor of the Commercial Journal as a "trickster," and the Tariff policy recommended by him, although the same as those favored by Mr Clay in letters and speeches before the Presidential election is characterized as hostile to the best interests of the country, and as especially inimical to the prosperity of Pennsylvania.

President POLK has not deceived his friends—there is nothing in his message inconsistent with his letter to Mr. KANE, or his inaugural address. The KANE letter was regarded by the people of Pennsylvania, as a true exposition of Mr POLK's views on the Tariff question, and the Message re-iterates the doctrines of the letter; it is, therefore, grossly unjust to say that the people of Pennsylvania have been deceived either by the President or those who took an active part in his election.

A "FEAST OF HONOR."—Capt. Fremont relates that when he was at Fort Laramine, during his exploration to the Rocky Mountains, he was often invited by the Indians to "a feast of honor, a dog feast." He went to one of them, the women and children were sitting round the lodge, and the host and his guests took seats on buffalo robes. The dog was in a large pot over the fire, in the middle of the lodge; and immediately on their arrival, it was dished up in large wooden bowls, one of which was handed to each person. The flesh appeared very gluttinous, with something of the flavor and appearance of mutton. Feeling something move behind me, (says Captain Fremont,) I looked round, and found that I had taken my seat among a litter of fat young puppies. Had I been nice in such matters, the prejudices of civilization might have interfered with my tranquility; but I am not of delicate nerves, and continued quietly to empty my platter.

BLOCKADE OF BUENOS AYRES.—The barque Chancellor, arrived at New York on Wednesday, brings intelligence that on the 21st of September, two days before the Chancellor sailed, the commanding officers of the English and French squadron, posted a bulletin on the commercial room, in Buenos Ayres declaring that port, and all others belonging to the republic, under blockade after the 24th; that all vessels arriving after that date should be ordered off, and all neutral vessels in port should have fifteen days to discharge and load. This is the beauty of that "balance of power" of which the London Times spoke when referring to the annexation of Texas.

GREAT FIRE AND HEAVY LOSS OF PROPERTY.—A fire broke out this morning, says the Boston Transcript of the 5th inst, in the large nail factory on the Mill Dam, which was entirely destroyed. The fire is said to have been caused by friction of a shaft. The loss property is reported as high as $100 000. There was insurance of $10,000 at the American, and $14 000 at the Merchants' Office. By this casuality upwards of 200 mechanics are thrown out of work.

LATER FROM TEXAS.—Dates from Galveston to the 24 h ult. have been received. All was quiet on the frontier. The death of C. F. Keith, a corporator of the American Tract Society, is noticed in the paper. President Jones had issued his proclamation ordering an election on the 15th December for Governor, and Lieutenant Governor, and members of the Legislature of the state of Texas. The citizens of Washington County, had nominated Hon. Jas B. Miller, of Fort Bend, for Governor, and Hon. N. H. Darnell, of San Augustine, for Lieut. Governor.

COUNTERFEITS.—A new counterfeit on the Bank of Middletown, Pa, is in circulation, which is well calculated to deceive the unwary.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY NEAR BOSTON.—On Wednesday night, near Boston, a man was knocked down, stabbed in two or three places, robbed of $232, and left for dead.

POLITICS IN CONNECTICUT.—The Democrats have nominated Isaac Toucey for Governor, and Noyes Billings for Lieutenant Governor

SINGULAR.—Potatoes are still arriving at N. York from Europe, while the former is exporting large quantities of bread stuffs to make good the deficiency in the English crop.

BREAD.—A London letter says that the national expenditure in Great Britain for bread, is at the present time at the rate of twenty millions a year, or four hundred thousand pounds *weekly*, more than during the whole of last winter and spring.

"GOOD LUCK."—News has arrived that Thomas Lawrence, aged 70, a very poor man in Albany, has become, by the death of a relative in England, sole heir to an estate valued at several millions. He has a son in Brooklyn.

NAVAL.—A letter from Pensacola, dated November 22, says: "There are here at present, of the gulf squadron, the flag ship Falmouth, the Saratoga, Mississippi and three brigs, Lawrence, Porpoise and Somers. The latter it is stated, will sail in a few days for Havana. The John Adams has not yet come in."

Jefferson.—Prof. Raumer, in his new work on America, pronounces Thomas Jefferson, 'the greatest, most active, and most peaceful republican of all history.' What will the revilers of that illustrious democrat say to this opinion of an enlightened and liberal subject of despotic Prussia!—*Worcester Palladium.*

To Mothers.—The difficulty which every mother experiences in administering medicine to infants, is entirely obviated by Dr. Clickener's preparation, called the Sugar Coated Vegetable Purgative Pill. The pill is encased with fine white sugar, so that it resembles and tastes like a sugar plum, which no child ever yet refused to swallow. For worms this is an assured remedy, and it has been used with excellent effect in teething. The matron of the Farm School writes to Dr. Clickener that she has used for some time, his Sugar Coated Pill in both these complaints, and always with entire success.

Sold by Wm Jack-on, corner of Wood and Liberty streets, who is general Agent for Dr Clickener's Pills in Pittsburgh and vicinity.

☞ Beware of an imitation article called "*Improved Sugar-Coated Pills*," purporting to be Patented, as both the pills and pretended patent are forgeries, got up by a miserable quack, in New York, who, for the last four or five years, has made his living by counterfeiting popular medicines. dec 11.

☞ Man's chief absorbing interest in life is attending to the wants of the body. This every man of experience is compelled to acknowledge, however desirous he may be to lend his testimony to the fact of higher and holier objects, engaging the attention of the mass.

The epitaph of most men might read—

"He was born. He toiled and worried for food clothing and equipage, he sought the phantom happiness. He died."

If, then, mankind will still persist in attending chiefly bodily wants, all must admit that health should claim their first attention.

To all true enquirers, therefore, of the way to regain, to preserve health, we would say with candor, read the advertisement on the outside of this day's paper, concerning that celebrated and truly valuable medicine. *Dr. Wister's Balsam of Wild Cherry.* dec 8

Report of the Secretary of War.

We present, as sufficient for the information of the general reader, an epitome of this document, which is itself, in great part a lucid condensation of the reports of bureaus, commissioners, officers of the army, &c. From this we learn that the whole rank and file of the army is not over six thousand five hundred men.

But a single regiment is now stationed on the northern frontier, from Maine to Lake Superior; and but one of dragoons and two of infantry, from St Anthony's Falls, to New Orleans. The artillery regiments, reduced by detachments of four companies (such each) are in garrison along the seaboard, from Newport to New Orleans, and the remaining, and larger portion of the army is now in Texas; the political reasons being given, which led the government to place them there; nor is it thought prudent to remove them hence until our relations with Mexico shall have assumed a more settled and amicable character. Should there be found any necessity to increase the army, the Secretary proposes to make it upon the basis of the regiments, not by creating new ones. He would add to the rank and file, so as to make each infantry company consists of sixty-eight men, and each dragoon company of sixty, thus increasing the number of privates without an increase of officers. Besides the increase, it is also suggested, that an additional regiment of dragoons or mounted riflemen may be found necessary. Should Congress adopt, as he thinks they will, the measure of establishing military post on the route to Oregon, and extending them to the Rocky Mountains.

The sending of our troops to Texas has increased the expenditures, especially for transportation, but for this some degree of compensation has been had, in the improvement which has taken place in their discipline, in consequence of their concentration. The recommendation is renewed, for the establishment of a corps of sappers and miners, and pontoniers, moderate in point of numbers, to assist, among other duties, in constructing bridges, in consequence of the military occupation of Texas.

The report gives a rapid but interesting account of Colonel Kearney's expedition during the last summer, to the South Pass of the Rocky mountains; the impressions it produced among the Indians; the number of emigrants whom it met on their way to Oregon, to the number of 2,325 men, women and children, with 7,000 head of cattle, 400 horses and mules, and 460 wagons. This report of Col Kearney accompanies the communication of the commanding general, and will furnish, no doubt, an interesting store of extracts, at a season of greater leisure. It also refers to the adventures of another detachment of the dragoons, under the command of Captain Sumner, nearly to the northern line of the United States, between Lake Superior and the Lake of the Woods. Among the Indians whom they met with on their route, and upon whom they made a due impression with their military array, was a numerous band of the half breeds of the Red river of the North, who had come from the region of the Hudson Bay Company into our lines, to hunt buffalo. They had even solicited permission to reside in the United States.

The exaggerated accounts of Mexican forces on the Rio del Norte, and the rumors of large additions approaching it, induced the General Commanding the Western Division, to despatch the volunteers of Louisiana to the aid of General Taylor. Full justice is done to their gallantry, and Congress is asked to make provision for their compensation. Four companies of Texan mounted men, whose services General Taylor, in virtue of authority given him, accepted for three months, are unpaid, nor is there yet any provision for their payment.

The returns for the ensuing year do not greatly vary from those of former years. The item for arming the fortifications is increased $100 000. The attention of Congress is directed to the state of the fortifications on the mainland of Spring's and Harper's Ferry—to the armories of Springfield and Harper's Ferry—to the manufacture of a national foundery for cannon—to the preservation of the gunpowder belonging to the government, to the condition of the mineral lands in the Northwest, which the Secretary proposes to withdraw from the management of the ordinance department to some other.

Forty eight forts are in process of construction, and the attention of Congress is directed to the propriety of erecting new ones at other points, among which are suggested by the reports of the engineers, are fortifications of the narrows at Staten Island and Sandy Hook, and the condition of the long-suspended fortress at the Pea patch, an additional work at Sullers' Point for the protection of Baltimore, and projected fortifications on the Florida reefs.

The military academy at West Point is spoken of in terms of commendation as being much improved, and as an institution of great usefulness, and an improvement is suggested, in the selection of a board of visitors from civil life. Attention is called to the report of the chief of the corps of topographical engineers, and to the improvement of the harbors on the lakes, which are so well calculated to furnish accommodations to steamers that in a state of war, may be turned to the most effective purposes, and to furnish facilities to a commerce that is now estimated at $100 000 000 annually.

The Secretary speaks well in conclusion of the expeditions under Captain Fremont, and Lieutenant Emory. He refers to the reports of the persons in office, which has been received upon its books 28,921 pensioners—2 371 added during the last year, and 1 133 known to have died. He devotes a considerable space to the Indian agency and the Indians—the Pottawatomies, the Choctaws, and particularly the Cherokees. Our relations with them are pacific, and their condition, in the main, is improving under the influence of secular and religious education. Some unhappy differences exist among the Cherokees; the different parties have delegations in Washington, and with some necessary legislative authority, it is thought the Executive can remove the causes of dissatisfaction, and that then our Indian relations will be settled on a permanent basis, and be likely to remain quiet for a long time to come. Some communications, designated as interesting, are referred to as having been received from the sub-agent in Oregon. The number of Indians residing therein is estimated to be forty-two thousand. They are represented to be less warlike and savage than those on this side of the Rocky Mountains, disposed generally to cultivate friendly relations with our citizens settled in that territory, and not averse to the habits and pursuits of a civilized people. Considering their vast superiority in numbers over the emigrants, and the great difficulty in sending aid to the latter in the event of hostilities, it becomes important to adopt proper measures to preserve, confirm, and extend a friendly intercourse between the Indian tribes, and our citizens in Oregon. To this end, it is suggested that a full agency should be established beyond the Rocky Mountains, with ample powers and liberal means to maintain amicable relations with these tribes. It is also probable that the public interest will require another agent to reside among the Indians in Texas.

There was paid to the Indians, for annuities, and in fulfilment of their treaty stipulations, in the fiscal year ending 30th June last, the sum of $805,300 72.—The Secretary of War is, moreover, the trustee of the funds, belonging to different tribes, amounting to $2,140,591—and the annual interest of which is $111,679 06. This is exclusive of the Chickasaw national fund of $1,575,309-40, of which the Secretary of the Treasury is the trustee.

The Secretary devotes the remainder of his report to the organization of the militia. He suggests various alterations, and among the rest, submits the question whether it might not be advisable to reduce the period of service from 18 years of age to 21, upon the ground that, although citizens of eighteen years of age are not too young to bear arms, they are not generally in a situation to equip themselves with arms as the law requires of them mounted men, whose services General Taylor, in virtue of authority given him, accepted for of service during the preceding year, 352 were created, and 269 were discounted.

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The successful operation of the electro magnetic telegraph, it is supposed by the Postmaster General, will, under the control of the patentees, be the means of securing much of the business that has hitherto been transacted through the United States mails, and occasion a diminution of the resources of the department. It is considered a question of importance for the government to determine, whether individuals shall divide with it the business of transmitting intelligence, or whether the government should purchase the telegraph.

The power for good or for evil which this invention has supplied, is deemed too great to be left in the uncontrolled possession of individuals.

This report of Mr Cave Johnson is distinguished for the strong practical sense of its author. In all that concerns economy and retrenchment, no one can be more vigilant and assiduous than the honest and laborious man who stands at the head of the Post Office Department. The country is most ably served by such a man as Cave Johnson.

From the Washington Union,

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We make a synopsis of the report of the Postmaster General.

On the 30th of June last, the transportation of the mails covered an extent of 143,845 miles. The annual transportation on the routes, on the same day, was 35,634,269 miles, involving an expenditure of $2,905,504.

The number of mail contractors on the day above mentioned was 3,297.

It is stated, that while the annual transportation in 1845 was greater than in the preceding year by 994,645 miles, the cost has been less by $62 791.

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