



Annual Message of GOV. JOHN W. GEARY, Delivered January 6, 1869.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania: GENTLEMEN:—For the harmony and general relations of county and friendship existing between Pennsylvania and all the other States and Territories of the National Union...

It is not without a consciousness of the great responsibility resting upon me that I undertake the performance of a constitutional duty, requiring that the Governor shall from time to time lay before the Senate and Assembly a report of the state of the Commonwealth...

FINANCES.—The following is a carefully prepared statement of the financial condition of the State for the fiscal year ending Nov. 30, 1868: The reports of the Auditor General and State Treasurer show that the balance on hand...

SINKING FUND.—By an act approved April 10, 1868, the transactions of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund were ordered to be thereafter reported annually to the 30th day of November...

REDUCTION OF THE STATE DEBT.—By the report of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for the year ending September 30, 1867, it was recommended that the 'loans redeemed' amount to \$1,784,569.50...

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In his report the Superintendent of Soldiers' Orphans' Schools exhibits the total expenditure for their support from December 1, 1867 to May 31, 1868, to be \$236,970 26; total number of pupils in the schools 3,431; average cost per pupil \$69.094 for six months; and the average weekly expenses per pupil \$2.651.

Notwithstanding every possible effort has been, and will continue to be made, to economize in the expenditure with patriotic ardor, fought as bravely and as heroically as the noblest men in the world's history. Thousands of men who left their homes in the bloom of health and with the brightest hopes of manhood, now sleep in death, leaving their widows and little ones to the care of the country in whose service they fell...

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REGISTRY LAW.

At the last session of the Legislature an act was passed known as the "Registry Law," the intention of which was to protect the ballot-box against corruption and fraudulent voting, to which it has for many years been disgracefully exposed. The law enacted has been so defective in some of its provisions as to have received the condemnation of a majority of the Supreme Court, by which it was pronounced "incongruous and unconstitutional. At the election immediately after that decision, it is alleged that frauds were perpetrated, surpassing in magnitude, perhaps, any that have been committed heretofore in the history of the Commonwealth. These frauds have demonstrated the necessity of the passage of some law or laws, the effect of which should be to prevent the ballot-box from being subject to such corrupt and base features pointed out by the learned gentlemen who pronounced the opinion of the Supreme Bench.

There is no object of such vital importance to the whole country as the sanctity of the ballot-box, and the protection of all citizens in their right to elect their representatives. This right is our proudest boast. It endows the American citizen with a freedom and a power not possessed by the subject of any other government. It makes him the peer of his fellow man, whatever may be his rank or station, or position in life. To deprive it by any means whatever, his boasted freedom becomes a sham—his especial and exalted prerogative a mockery and a farce. What avails it to the citizen that he is entitled to a vote, if that vote is to be nullified by fraud? Such guards, then, should be placed around the polls as will effectually, if possible, preserve them from the taint of a single illegal vote. Not only should false voting be severely punished, but false swearing to obtain a vote, be visited with the pains and penalties of perjury and with perpetual disfranchisement.

The people must be perfectly free to regulate their public business in their own way and when the voice of the majority is fairly and clearly expressed all should bow to it as to the voice of God. They are the sovereigns and the law is made by their will and the land. Corruption of suffrage in a republican government is the deadliest crime that can be perpetrated; it is assassination of the sovereignty of the people, and will be followed by a despotism, the motive power of which will be money and perjury. And such a system will be maintained until a convention of competent persons to take into consideration the means best calculated to remedy this great and growing evil. This convention, composed of three commissioners from the several States represented, appointed in accordance with an agreement by the several Governors, assembled at Springfield, Illinois, on the first day of December last, and an account of their transactions is herewith presented.

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FURNITURE ROOMS.

JOHN GUBELICH. Desires to inform his old friends and customers that, having enlarged his shop and increased his facilities for manufacturing, he is now prepared to make to order such furniture as may be desired, in good style and at cheap rates for cash. He mostly has on hand at his "Furniture Rooms," a vast assortment of furniture, among which is a variety of styles of Bedsteads, Trunks, Wardrobes and Dress Cases, Sinks, Sinks, Breakfast and Dining extension Tables. Common, French, posts, Cottage, Jonny-Lind and other Bedsteads. SOFAS OF ALL KINDS, WORK-STANDS, HAT RACKS, WASH-STANDS, &c. Spring-seats, Cabin-beds, and Parlor Chairs; and can furnish on short notice.

LOOKING GLASSES.

Every description of hand, and new glasses for old frames, which will be put on, or very reasonable terms, on short notice. He also keeps on hand, or furnishes to order, Hair, Curl-brush, Hair and Cotton top Mattresses. Also, House painting done to order.

COFFINS OF EVERY KIND.

Made to order, and funerals attended with a flourish, whenever required. Also, House painting done to order. The above, and many other articles are furnished to customers cheap for cash or exchange for approved country produce. Cherry, Maple, Poplar, Linwood, and other Lumber suitable for building, taken in exchange for furniture. Remember the shop at Market street, Clearfield, and nearly opposite the Old Jail. December 4, 1861. JOHN GUBELICH.

ANOTHER BIG "FLOP!"

Some two months ago it was announced that Pennsylvania was "Right side up." Recent events have proven the announcement premature. Another "Flop" recently occurred, and chief among the important, interesting, and important phases presented, is the one portraying the NEW, LARGE, AND COMMODIOUS STONE HOUSE, OF JOHN & BAILEY.

JOHN & BAILEY.

Who have just returned from the East with a large and carefully selected stock of seasonable goods, and are invited to give us a call. Bring on your Produce, your Boards, Shingles, Grain, Pork, Butter, Eggs, Dried Apples, &c. Our motto, "Cheapest & Best." JOHN & BAILEY. PENNACRE—THE CHEAPEST IN THE COUNTY, at May 29.

COAL, WOOD, AND LIME.

COAL, WOOD, AND LIME. Family Dye, and all kinds of Paints of all kinds and in Oil, for sale by HARTWICK & IRWIN.