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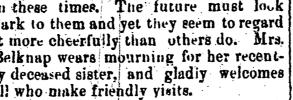
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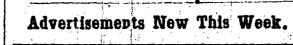
THE ADJOUNMENT OF THE LEG ISLATURE.

In speaking of the State Legislature which adjourned on Friday last, the Pa triol says that no candid judgement can be passed upon the work of the session until the body of the laws which have been enacted are collectively considered It will then be found that the legislature ef 1876 has exercised a caution and conservatism for which it has obtained very little of the public credit it deserves.

The most important bill which was acted upon was undoubtedly that diverting revenue from the sinking fund for the payment of current_expenditures.-For many years past the sinking fund has been an unweildy and unnecessary burden upon the people of the state.-Intended to be sufficiently, large to pay the interest on the state debt and a quarter of a million dollars yearly of the principal, it had grown so corpulent that it diminished the state debt at such a rate as to by burdensome to taxpayers, and at the same time furnish a dangerously large fund in the hands of fiduciary agents subject to dangerous manipulation for private or party purposes. The operations of the sinking fund had been so satisfactory in reducing the debt of the state that any diversion of its revenues was regarded by the people with suspicion. The legislature, however, wisely resolved to apply a part of the rev, onue not needed for the redemption of the public debt to the expenses of government rather than to impose new taxes at a time of general pecuniary stringency. This was a wise decision. The revenues of the sinking fund are still sufficient for every purpose demanded by The abolition of the fee system by the constitution was a sore stroke for Republican officials and for two sessions of the delay and afterward by executive interposition. It is now incorporated into own act in adopting the constitution in 1873. An unfortunate precedent was estabto take up the unfinished business of the the new constitution make, and are designed to make, the progress of legislawith the nimbler senate, for the same reason that it takes more time to count business has been transacted. The people of the state may rest as thankful for what has been left undone or prevented as for what has been done. for the brilliancy of its membership, but this has been more than compensated by will be returned for another term. They have well earned such a mark of public favor. The final action of the house in dealing with the members implicated in were finally expelled showed the temper the right to compel him or them to file and calibre of the working majority of that body. This action, which is applauded wherever it is understood by the to law; provided, however, that the own-people, will more than atone for the ap-the conversion of the spin of such assigned property, or the spin of the sp

his or their account, and may proceed to have said claims paid by a distribution through an auditor or auditors according







tested for settlement. The notes and accounts will remain in our hands for payment till the lat of June, after which they will be placed in the hands of our attorney for collection.

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