

ABSTRACT OF THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

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The friends and supporters of the Nebraska and Kansas act, when struggling on a recent occasion to overturn its provisions before the great tribunal of the people...

the 7th day of November. But little difficulty occurred in the extension, except on the subject of slavery. The truth is that the general provisions of our recent State constitutions are so similar—and, I may add, so excellent—that the difference between them is not essential.

Under the earlier practice of the Government, no constitution framed by the convention of a Territory preparatory to its admission into the Union as a State had been submitted to the people. I trust, however, the example set by the last Congress, requiring that the Constitution of Minnesota should be subject to the approval and ratification in a free and open manner...

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Wednesday Morning, December 16, 1857.

We give the first interesting portion of President Buchanan's first message, in another column. It is a remarkable document, and clearly proves the fact that the President was completely bewildered when he penned the document—as least for as Kansas matters are concerned.

Secretary Stanton of Kansas, has been removed by President Buchanan, for ordering to call together the Legislature. This is another example of the complete and thorough control which the South exercises over our Chief Magistrate.

Elect James Buchanan, and Kansas is a Free State, was the Democratic watchword, and need we say it was the reliance placed in this declaration of Democratic stump-speakers, by the men of the North, that elected him.

In his message, he asserts his orders to Gov. Walker were explicitly laid down, as follows: "When a Constitution shall be submitted to the people for their ratification, [mark that] and if the fair expression of the popular will must not be interrupted by fraud or violence."

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Mr. Douglas considers all the proceedings connected with the Lecompton Convention in direct violation of the principle of non-intervention embodied in the Nebraska act, and adopted into the Cincinnati platform. In behalf of the doctrine of non-intervention, the Missouri restriction was repealed, and trusting to it for success the democracy went into the Presidential election.

It seems pretty clear that Ramsey is to be cheated out of the Governorship of Minnesota. Though he has a clear majority of the legal votes of the territory, that majority is to be overcome by the return of hundreds of votes from districts where hardly a dozen of white men live.

THE SPEECH OF SENATOR DOUGLAS. We publish to-day, in full, says the North American, the speech delivered by Senator Douglas, on Wednesday last, and of which a telegraphic report has already been presented to our readers.

Godley's Lady's Book for January is our table. This is the beginning of the twenty eighth volume of the Lady's Book, and a magnificent number it is, too. We assert that Godley publishes the very best ladies' book in the country.

The Home Magazine for January, is on our table. This book, published by T. S. Arthur, Philadelphia, is one of the best ladies' books in the country. We recommend it to all our friends.

The Student & Schoolmate for January is before us, and commences the new year under very favorable circumstances. All our old and young friends should subscribe for it. Published by Calkins & Co., N. Y., at \$1 per annum.

The School Journal for January is before us. Published by T. H. Burrows, Lancaster, and at the low rate of \$1 per annum.

The Inventor, for October, has been received, and is an excellent number. It is published at \$1 a year.

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PHILADELPHIA MARKETS. FLOUR.—The Flour market, if anything, is firmer to-day, and the demand rather more active; sales include about 1400 bbls. standard superfine at \$5; 450 bbls. extra at \$5.25; 37.4 and 200 bbls. extra family, fancy brands, at \$6.60 per bbl. as in quality. The market closes with more buyers than sellers at our lowest figures.

GRAIN.—There is not much wheat offering to-day, and prime lots are scarce and wanted at full prices. About 2000 bushels fall to good red sold at 12 1/2; 1500 bushels white at 11 1/2; and 1000 bushels choice Kentucky do. at 140c. Rye is in steady demand at 75c; 6 r Delaware, and 78c for Pennsylvania, and but little offering. Corn continues dull and unsettled; the receipts are light, but the demand has fallen off, and only about 1000 bushels yellow have been taken at 54 1/2c; the latter for prime dry Delaware; 62 1/2c for mixed, and 70c for old. Oats are unchanged, with small receipts and sales of Southern at 33 1/2c.

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REAL ESTATE. situate in the village of Marklesburg, in Penn township, in the county of Huntingdon, to wit: All that certain lot of ground, fronting on the South-west sixty feet on the public road leading from Huntingdon to Bedford, thence on the West one hundred and sixty feet running back from the said road, by lot of Thomas Gordon, dec'd., to a street fifteen feet wide, thence on the North sixty feet along the said street to an alley twelve feet wide, and thence on the East one hundred and sixty feet by the said alley, to the place of beginning, having a two story house, cab net, m'k's shop and other improvements thereon erected.

TAKE NOTICE. WHEREAS Sarah Alexander on the 4th day of December A. D. 1857, Purchased from John Alexander all his Personal Property to satisfy two Judgments that I have against him amounting to \$184.87. The property is as follows: One Bay Horse, one year old sorrel colt, 1 red cow, 2 year old heifers, 6 shoats, 8 sheep, 1 Dearborn wagon, one Halfway cook stove, 5 tons of hay more or less, a lot of more or less and 1 man's saddle.

COOK STOVE. A SLENDID NEW COOK STOVE for sale at this office; it is calculated to burn wood or coal.

REGISTER'S NOTICE. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL persons interested that the following named persons have settled their accounts in the Register's Office at Huntingdon, and that the said accounts will be presented for confirmation and allowance, at an Orphans' Court to be held at Huntingdon, in and for the County of Huntingdon, on Wednesday the 13th day of January next, to wit:

1. Peter F. Kessler, administrator of the estate of William McLintock, late of Henderson township, dec'd. 2. John Helmer, administrator of the estate of William Wilson, late of Pulaski county, Indiana, dec'd. 3. John Reed, administrator of the estate of Thomas Reed, late of the borough of Huntingdon, dec'd. 4. Partial administration account of Dr. Henry Orady, administrator of John R. Cox, who was administrator of Esther Cox, late of Warrior mark township, dec'd. 5. William Stewart, administrator of the estate of Jennet Stewart, late of West township, dec'd. 6. John Arant and Rob't Tusey, executors of the last will and testament of John Sprankle, late of Morris township, dec'd. 7. Trust account of George W. Spear, acting trustee, appointed by the Orphans' Court to make sale of the real estate of Rob't Spear, dec'd. 8. Trust account of Henry Lightner, trustee appointed by the Orphans' Court, to make sale of the real estate of Henry Lightner, late of West township, dec'd. 9. Trust account of James Saxton, trustee, appointed by the Orphans' Court, of the estate of George Heltright, late of the borough of Huntingdon, dec'd. 10. Guardianship account of Henry B. Mytinger, guardian of Joseph Stewart, a minor child of Anthony J. Stewart, late of Morris township, dec'd. 11. Guardianship account of George Sipes, guardian of Richard, Elizabeth, Loretta and Eviline Wharton, minor children of Samuel N. Wharton, late of Cromwell township, dec'd. 12. Adm'r B. Crow (now dead), administrator of Dr. J. C. Hoffman, late of the borough of Huntingdon, dec'd., as stated and filed by Jan. D. Witt, executor of the said A. B. Crow, dec'd.

CASSVILLE SEMINARY. Only \$19.50 per Quarter. THE NEW FACULTY. M. McN. WALSH, Principal. Professor of Languages and Philosophy. Herr Karl Rothenhelm, Prof. of German Language & Literature. M. Eugene Chivart, Professor of French and Piano Music. James W. Hughes, Professor of Mathematics, etc.

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