

THE COMMONWEALTH. OUR ANNUAL STATE BUDGET. Farewell Address of Governor Andrew Gregg Curtin to the Legislature of Pennsylvania.

The Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:— I have reason to be thankful to God for a year of peace, abundant crops, that industry has been rewarded, and that the Commonwealth has been able to do her full duty to her country, and to posterity.

Table with financial data: Balance in Treasury, November 30, 1866; Receipts during fiscal year ending November 30, 1866; Total in Treasury for fiscal year ending November 30, 1866; Public debt, December 1, 1866; To wit, funded debt; Unpaid debt, relief-oles in circulation; Improvement in Treasury since 1861.

The extraordinary expenditures, during the year and since its close, in payments growing out of it by authority of acts of Assembly, have amounted to upwards of five millions of dollars, which, added to the actual payment of the interest on the State debt, and the interest on the debt of the Commonwealth in the last six years. A careful attention to the details of the Commonwealth, with such just and prudent changes as may be required in the future, and a wise economy in expenditure will, in my judgment, ensure the entire payment of the public debt, and the redemption of the State debt.

Every person born in the United States, and free, whether by birth or manumission, is a citizen of the United States, and that no State law is to be construed to deprive any citizen of the United States of the rights and privileges of citizenship.

In other words, the treason of the rebellious States, the suppression of which has cost so many hundreds of thousands of precious lives, would be rewarded by giving them a vast increase of political power, and the second clause of the proposed amendments designs to prevent, by the just, equal, and moderate provision, that in future the representation of the population of each State shall be ascertained by making a proportional deduction from the whole population thereof, if any male citizen, not otherwise disqualified, of the year of twenty-one years, yet to learn that any plausible objection can be offered to such a provision.

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THIRD EDITION FROM WASHINGTON THIS AFTERNOON. EUROPE.

Financiers Advices from Europe. New York, January 2.—The following cable despatch has been received here:— London, January 2.—Noon.—United States Five-twentys, 1867, opened this morning at 3.

FRANCE. A Grand Imperial Congress. PARIS, January 1.—A rumor is current that the Emperor Napoleon has decided to issue a call for a grand Congress of European monarchs, to be held in this city during the forthcoming World's Exposition.

THE ROMAN QUESTION. Views of the Emperor Napoleon. The Cardinal Archbishop of Rouen, M. de Bonhomme, having addressed a letter to the Emperor, asking for the continuance of the French occupation of Rome, His Majesty, the Napoléon de France, has replied to the following effect:—

THE CRETAN INSURRECTION. The Taking of the Arkadi Monastery—A Turkish Report. The following is the substance of the Turkish report regarding the taking of the monastery of Arkadi, in the parish of Retimo, by Mustafa Pasha, the Imperial Commissioner in Crete:—

NEW-YEAR'S DAY IN HARTFORD. HARTFORD, January 2.—New-Year's day was not a holiday, still it was generally enjoyed.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE. Court of Quarter Sessions—Judge Peirce.—The new year in the Quarter Sessions was ushered in by a weak case.

General Grant's Health. Members of Congress are returning slowly to Washington, and there will undoubtedly be a quorum of both Houses to-morrow. Senator Poland will endeavor to bring up the Bankrupt Bill at once.

Latest Markets by Telegraph. New York, January 2.—The Stock market opened steady, but lower afterwards. Chicago and Rock Island, 104; Reading, Erie, 67; Cleveland and Toledo, 125; Erie and Pittsburg, 101; Chicago, Fort Wayne and Western, 105; Michigan Central, 104; Southern, 88; New York Central, 112; Illinois Central, 120; Cumberland preferred, 55; United States, 100; new do., 104; ten-forties, 93; Seven-thirties, 105; new do., 104; do. second and third series, 104; Money at 7 per cent.; Exchange, 91; at sight, 100; Gold, 138.

Richard Graham was put upon trial on a charge of the larceny of \$20, as before, the property of John A. Stecker. Mr. Stecker testified that he was an officer in a Government machine house at the Navy Yard, and that he had been employed by the Government to the position of clerk in Stecker's office. While there he began a secret business of lending out money to the work hands at a large per cent.

Sheffield (England) Independent relates a strange incident which recently occurred at Wath Church in that city. John Sellers, a miner from Sheffield, applied at the altar with his intended bride. After much persuasion, John answered the first question by saying "I will," but afterwards preserved a dead silence, and notwithstanding the entreaties of minister and friends, would not answer another word.

Princes Gagarin, now a mere Father Gagarin of the Society of Jesus, was a nephew of the late Czar, and is a first cousin of the Czar's daughter. The late Czar forbade his entering Russian territory, under pain of being drawn and quartered.

The Sherman (Texas) Star is edited and owned by a smooth-faced boy not out of his teens, who also does the printing. He deserves praise. His paper is readable and good. He will make his mark on these days.

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