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MESSAGE

President of the United States.

Washington, Dec. 4, 1871.

President's Message. To-day we lay before our readers the President's Message to Congress.

NATIONAL REPUBLICAN CONVENTION. The Secretary of the National Republican Executive Committee has issued a call for a meeting of that committee at Washington, on the 11th day of January, to decide when and where the next Republican Presidential Convention shall be held.

FIRE IN ENGLAND. A cable dispatch announces a disastrous fire at Warwick Castle, in England, by which an irreparable loss to the antiquary occurred through the destruction of old armor, paintings, furniture, &c.

SAFETY FOR THE POLICE. Mr. Garner, of Delaware, who was knocked in the head with a hatchet and stabbed, is still living. The police don't seem to be worth much. Not long ago three persons drove into Columbus in a carriage, and on one of the most public thoroughfares, and in the presence of fifty persons, perpetrated a most foul outrage, and tried to do worse, but never since that time have either the police or city authorities been able to tell who those scoundrels were.

CUBAN AFFAIRS. Although officials refused to give information, it is certain that a crisis has arisen in connection with Cuban affairs which the Cabinet was especially summoned to consider. The King presided at the meeting, producing a profound sensation by proposing personally to proceed to Cuba to direct pacificatory measures in the island.

MORAL COURAGE. There is one navy officer who does not drink—and his name is Smith. Admiral Smith gave an entertainment upon ship board to the Duke Alexis, and not a drop of anything that could intoxicate was served, though the refreshments were very elaborate and expensive. It requires some moral courage. It requires sometimes, more courage to meet and combat fashion, than to meet a cast-iron foe.

A great hurricane passed over the island of Cape Breton on the night of the 27th ult., destroying life and doing much damage.

Three of the Jury in the recent Fisk gold case were approached with offers of thousands of dollars each to disagree. The matter will be investigated.

The New York World does not endorse John Q. Adams' letter, but is glad to see in it evidence that the Democracy will attempt to ride no more dead horses.

The Louisiana Democratic State Central Committee are in favor of keeping up the party organization. They decline an alliance with either of the Republican wings of the State.

Geo. Erick, a Carpenter, working at Clark's sack factory, committed suicide by hanging himself in his room at the American House in Zanesville.

The Rev. Wm. Sedgwick, aged 82, and for over 50 years a Baptist minister in Muskingum Co., died very suddenly, on last Thursday. He preached in the morning, and at 2 o'clock was a corpse.

Since the passage of the ordinance prohibiting the sale of alcohol in New London, the increase of sickness has become alarming, the only remedy being the article known as "strictly for medical purposes."

The following is the President's message, just transmitted to Congress:

ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAWS. To the Senate and House of Representatives: In addressing my third annual message to the law-making branch of the Government, it is gratifying to be able to state that during the past year success has generally attended the effort to enforce all laws found upon the statute-books.

DISASTERS BY STORM AND FIRE. The past year has, under a wise Providence, been one of general prosperity to the nation. It has, however, been attended with more than usual chastisements, in the loss of life and property by storm and fire.

OUR RELATIONS WITH FOREIGN POWERS. The relations of the United States with foreign powers continue to be friendly. The year has been a successful one in witnessing two great nations, speaking one language and having one lineage, settling by peaceful arbitration the disputes which have arisen between them.

TREATY OF WASHINGTON. I transmit herewith a copy of the treaty alluded to, which has been concluded by the adjustment of the Congress with Her Britannic Majesty, and a copy of the Protocols of the conferences of the Commissioners by whom it was negotiated.

OUR INTERCOURSE WITH JAPAN. With Japan we continue to maintain intimate relations. The Cabinet of the Mikado has, since the close of the last session of Congress, selected citizens of the United States to serve in offices of importance in several departments of the Government.

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subject for regret that the reforms in this direction which were voluntarily promised by the statesmen of Spain have not been carried out in whole.

AMERICAN CITIZENS OWNING SLAVES. I desire to direct your attention to the fact that citizens of the United States, or person claiming to be citizens of the United States, are large holders in foreign lands of this species of property, forbidden by fundamental law of these United States.

THE CUBAN INSURRECTION. It is to be regretted that the disturbed condition of the Island of Cuba continues to be a source of annoyance and anxiety.

CLAIMS OF AMERICAN CITIZENS AGAINST SPAIN. The forty-first Congress, at its third session, made an appropriation for the organization of a mixed commission for adjudicating upon the claims of citizens of the United States against Spain.

RESTORATION OF PEACE BETWEEN SPAIN AND SOUTH AMERICA. It has been made the agreeable duty of the United States to preside over a conference at Washington between the plenipotentiaries of Spain and the allied South American Republics.

EDUCATION OF AMERICAN YOUTH FOR DIPLOMATIC SERVICE IN CHINA AND JAPAN RECOMMENDED. To give importance and to add to the efficiency of our diplomatic relations with Japan and China, it is recommended that a commission be appointed to further aid in retaining the good opinion of these people, and to secure to the United States its share of the commerce destined to flow between those nations.

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