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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

We take the following abstract of this lengthy document from the Hallowell Gazette.

Fellow citizens of the Senate and of the House of Representatives:

I congratulate you and our common constituency upon the favorable auspices under which you meet for your first session. Our country is at peace with all the world. The agitation which, for a time threatened to disturb the fraternal relations which make us one people, is fast subsiding; and a year of general prosperity and health has crowned the nation with unusual blessings. None can look back to the dangers which are passed, or forward to the bright prospects before us, without feeling a thrill of gratification, at the same time he must be impressed with a grateful sense of our profound obligations to a beneficent Providence, whose paternal care is so manifest in the happiness of this highly favored land.

THE CUBAN EXPEDITION—NEUTRALITY—THE RIGHT OF SEARCH.

Nearly three columns are occupied with the Cuban Expedition and questions arising therefrom.

Since the close of the last Congress, certain Cubans and other foreigners resident in the United States, who were more or less concerned in the previous invasion of Cuba, instead of being discouraged by its failure, have again abused the hospitality of this country, by making it the scene of the equipment of another military expedition against that possession of her Catholic majesty, in which they were countenanced, aided and joined by citizens of the United States.

The main body of them proceeded to, and took possession of, an inland village, six leagues distant, leaving others to follow in charge of the baggage, as soon as the means of transportation could be obtained. The latter, having taken up their line of march to connect themselves with the main body, and having proceeded about four leagues into the country, were attacked on the morning of the 13th by a body of Spanish troops, and a bloody conflict ensued; after which they retreated to a place of disembarkation, where about fifty of them obtained boats and re-embarked thereon. They were, however, intercepted among the keys near the shore by a Spanish steamer cruising on the coast, captured and carried to Havana, and, after being examined before a military court, were sentenced to be publicly executed, and the sentence was carried into effect on the 16th of August.

Such is the melancholy result of this illegal and ill-fated expedition. Thus thoughtless young men have been induced, by false and fraudulent representations, to violate the laws of their country, through rash and unfounded expectations of assisting to accomplish political revolutions in other States, and have lost their lives in the undertaking. To sever a judgment can hardly be passed, by the indignant sense of the community, upon those who, being better informed themselves, have yet led away the ardor of youth and an ill-directed love of political liberty.

No proper effort has been spared, and none will be spared, to procure the release of any such citizens of the United States, engaged in this unlawful enterprise, as are now in confinement.

None will deny that those who set on foot military expeditions against foreign States by means like these, are far more culpable than the ignorant and the necessitous whom they induce to go forth as the ostensible parties in the proceeding. These, originators of the invasion of Cuba mean to have determined, with coolness and system, upon an undertaking which should disgrace their country, violate its laws, and put to hazard the lives of ill-informed and deluded men.

Friendly relations with all, but entangling alliances with none, has long been a maxim with us. Our true mission is not to propagate our opinions, or impose upon other countries our form of government, by artifice or force, but to teach by example, and show by our success, moderation and justice, the blessings of self-government and advantages of free institutions. Let every people choose for itself, and make and alter its political institutions to suit its own convenience. But, while we avow and maintain this neutral policy ourselves, we are anxious to see the same forbearance on the part of other nations, whose forms of government are different from our own. The deep interest which we feel in the spread of liberal principles and the establishment of free governments, and the sympathy which we witness every struggle against oppression, forbid that we should be indifferent to a case in which the strong arm of foreign power is invoked to stifle public sentiment, and repress the spirit of freedom in any country.

The governments of Great Britain and France have issued orders to their naval commanders on the West India station to prevent by force, if necessary, the landings of adventurers from any nation on the island of Cuba with hostile intent.

The principle which this Government has heretofore solemnly announced it still adheres to, and will maintain under all circumstances and at all hazards. The principle is, that in every regularly documented merchant vessel, the crew who navigate it, and those on board of it, will find their protection in the flag that is over them. No American ship can be allowed to be visited or searched for the purpose of ascertaining the character of individuals on board, nor can there be allowed any watch by the vessels of any foreign nation over American vessels on the coast of the United States or the seas adjacent thereto. It will be seen by the last communication from the Secretary of State, that he is authorized to assure the Secretary of State that every care will be taken in executing the preventive measures against the expeditions, which the United States Government itself has denounced as not being entitled to the protection of any government, no interference shall take place with the lawful commerce of any nation.

In addition to the correspondence on this subject, herewith submitted, official information has been received at the Department of State, of assurances by the French government that, in the orders given to the French naval forces, they were expressly instructed, in any operations they might engage in, to respect the flag of the United States wherever it might appear, and to commit no act of hostility upon any vessel or armament under the protection of the United States.

CANADA TRADE—OREGON BOUNDARY—PORTUGAL CLAIMS—KOSKUTH—SANDWICH ISLANDS—INVASION OF MEXICO—ST. DOMINGO—CHINA.

The attention of Congress is directed to the question of reciprocal trade with Canada, and to the marking out of the boundary between Oregon and the British possessions.

Portugal has paid the first instalment of claims to the citizens of the United States, and according to the provisions of the convention year, and that there is reason to anticipate

Bonaparte of France, has been selected as arbitrator in the case of the Gen. Armstrong.

The Turkish Government has expressed its thanks for the kind reception given to Amin Bey, and has liberated Kossuth. Congress requested the President to employ a national vessel to convey Kossuth to this country. Kossuth having embarked on board the U. S. frigate Mississippi, it is recommended to Congress to consider in what manner Gov. Kossuth and his companions, brought hither by its authority, shall be received and treated.

The President expresses a hope that the difficulties between France and the Sandwich Islands, may be peaceably settled. He says—

We are influenced by a desire that those islands should not pass under the control of any other great maritime State, but should remain in an independent condition, and so be accessible and useful to the commerce of all nations. I need not say that the importance of these considerations has been greatly enhanced by the sudden and vast development which the interests of the United States have attained in California and Oregon; and the policy heretofore adopted in regard to these islands will be steadily pursued.

It is gratifying not only to those who consider the commercial interests of nations, but also to all who favor the progress of knowledge and the diffusion of religion, to see a community emerge from a savage state and attain such a degree of civilization in those distant seas.

It is regretted that the internal tranquility of the Mexican Republic should again be disturbed by invasion. Orders have been issued for the purpose of preventing hostile expeditions against Mexico from the United States.

A convention between the United States and Mexico for the purpose of authorizing citizens of the United States to construct a railroad across the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, only awaits the decision of the Mexican Congress and Executive.

Peace has been concluded between the contending parties in the island of St. Domingo, and it is hoped upon a durable basis.

The office of Commissioner of China remains unfilled; several persons have been appointed, and the place has been offered to others, all of whom have declined its acceptance, on the ground of the inadequacy of the compensation.

THE TREASURY—EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND PUBLIC DEBT—THE TARIFF.

By reference to the Report of the Secretary of the Treasury, it will be seen that the aggregate receipts for the last fiscal year amounted to \$52,312,976.87, which, with the balance in the Treasury on the 1st July, 1850, gave, as the available means for the year, the sum of \$58,917,524.36.

The total expenditures for the same period, \$48,005,873.68, leaving a surplus for the year ending 30th June, 1851, of \$10,911,650.68. Of which there were in specie \$4,967,901. The exports for the same period were \$217,517,130.

Of which there were of domestic products \$178,546,555 Foreign goods re-exported 9,738,095 Specie 29,231,880

Since the 1st of December last the payments in cash on account of the public debt, exclusive of interest, have amounted to \$7,501,456.56; which, however, includes the sum of \$3,242,400 paid under the 12th article of the treaty with Mexico, and the further sum of \$2,591,213.45, being the amount of awards to American citizens under the late treaty with Mexico, for which the issue of stock was authorized, but not yet paid in cash from the Treasury.

The public debt on the 20th ultimo, exclusive of the stock authorized to be issued to Texas by the act of 9th Sept., 1850, was \$62,560,385.86.

The receipts for the next fiscal year estimated at \$51,800,000, which, with the probable unappropriated balance in the Treasury, on the 30th June next, will give, as the probable available means for that year, the sum of \$63,258,743.09.

The total expenditures for the next fiscal year are estimated at \$42,892,299.19.

The value of our domestic exports the fiscal year exhibit an increase of \$43,646,322. This was caused by the high price of cotton. The value of our exportation of breadstuffs has greatly fallen off, and the President thinks the policy which dictated a low rate of duties on foreign merchandise has not benefited the farming population.

The numerous frauds which continue to be practised upon the revenue, by false invoices and undervaluations, constitute an unanswerable reason for adopting specific instead of ad valorem duties, in cases where the nature of the commodity does not forbid it.

CALIFORNIA GOLD—TEXAS.

The production of gold in California for the past year seems to promise a large supply of that metal from that quarter for some time to come. This large annual increase of the currency of the world must be attended with its usual results. These have already partially disclosed in the enhancement of prices and a rising spirit of speculation and adventure, tending to overtrading, as well at home as abroad. Unless some salutary check shall be given to these tendencies, it is to be feared that importations of foreign goods beyond a healthy demand in this country will lead to a sudden drain of the precious metal from us, bringing with it, as it has done in former times, the most disastrous consequences to the business and capital of the American people.

The sum of \$5,000,000 in stock to pay Texas, as according to the act of Congress, in consideration of certain concessions made by that State, in part of \$10,000,000, has been issued. Up to this time Texas has not authorized any one to receive this stock. The President says—

The release, required by law to be deposited in the Treasury, not having been filed there, the remaining five millions have not been issued. The last amount of the stock will be withheld from Texas until the conditions upon which it is to be delivered shall be complied with by the creditors of that State, unless Congress shall otherwise direct by a modification of the law.

It will be seen that the cash sales of the public lands exceed those of the preceding year, and that there is reason to anticipate

still further increase, notwithstanding the large donations which have been made to many of the States, and the liberal grants to individuals as a reward for military services. This fact furnishes very gratifying evidence of the growing wealth and prosperity of our country.

Suitable measures have been adopted for commencing the survey of the public lands in California and Oregon.

The proper disposal of the mineral lands of California is a subject surrounded by great difficulties. In my last annual message I recommended the survey and sale of them in small parcels, under such restrictions as would effectually guard against monopoly and speculation. But upon further information, and in deference to the opinions of persons familiar with the subject, I am inclined to change that recommendation and to advise that they be permitted to remain, as at present, a common field, open to the enterprise and industry of all our citizens, until further experience shall have developed the policy to be ultimately adopted in regard to them. It is safer to suffer the inconvenience that now exists, for a short period, than by premature legislation, to fasten on the country a system founded in error, which may place the whole subject beyond the future control of Congress.

The agricultural lands should, however, be surveyed and brought into market with as little delay as possible, that the titles may become settled, and the inhabitants stimulated to make permanent improvements, and enter on the ordinary pursuits of life.

AGRICULTURAL BUREAU.

In my last annual communication to Congress I recommended the establishment of an Agricultural Bureau, and I take this occasion again to invoke your favorable consideration of the subject.

Agriculture may justly be regarded as the great interest of our people. Four-fifths of our active population are employed in the cultivation of the soil, and the rapid expansion of our settlements over new territory is daily adding to the number of those engaged in that vocation. Justice and sound policy, therefore, alike require that the Government should use all the means authorized by the Constitution to promote the interests and welfare of that important class of our fellow citizens. And yet it is a singular fact, that whilst the manufacturing and commercial interests have engaged the attention of Congress during a large portion of every session, and our statutes abound in provisions for their protection and encouragement, little has yet been done directly for the advancement of agriculture.

It is time that this approach to our legislation should be removed; and I sincerely hope that the present Congress will not close their labors without adopting efficient means to supply the omissions of those who have preceded them.

An Agricultural Bureau, charged with the duty of collecting and disseminating correct information as to the best modes of cultivation, and the most effectual means of preserving and restoring the fertility of the soil, and of procuring and distributing seeds and plants and other vegetable productions, with instructions in regard to the soil, climate, and treatment best adapted to their growth, could not fail to be, in the language of Washington, in his last annual message to Congress, a 'very cheap instrument of immense national benefit.'

BOUNTY LAND WARRANTS—OUR INDIAN POPULATION—BOUNDARY BETWEEN THE U. S. AND MEXICO.

About seventy thousand warrants have been issued to persons who have been engaged in the military service of the country within the last nine months.

The large accessions to our Indian population consequent upon the acquisition of New Mexico and California, and the extension of our settlements into Utah and Oregon, have given increased interest and importance to our relations with the aboriginal race.

We are at peace with all of them; and it will be a source of pleasure to you to learn that they are gradually advancing in civilization and the pursuits of social life.

Along the Mexican frontiers and in California and Oregon, there have been occasional manifestations of unfriendly feelings, and some depredations committed. I am satisfied, however, that they resulted more from the destitute and starving condition of the Indians than from any settled hostility towards the whites.

Various important treaties have been negotiated with different tribes during the year, by which their title to large and valuable tracts of country has been extinguished, all which will, at the proper time, be submitted to the Senate for ratification.

The joint commission under the treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, has been actively engaged in running and marking the boundary line between the U. S. and Mexico. A monument of marble has been erected at the initial point, and permanent landmarks of iron have been placed at suitable distances along the line.

THE CENSUS.

Returns have been received from all the officers engaged in taking the census in the States and Territories, except California.

The Superintendent of the Seventh Census is diligently employed, under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, in classifying and arranging, in tabular form, all the statistical information derived from the returns of the marshals, and it is believed that when the work shall be completed, it will exhibit a more perfect view of the population, wealth, occupations, and social condition of a great country, than has ever been presented to the world.

RIVER AND HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS.

In my last annual message I gave briefly my reasons for believing that you possessed the constitutional power to improve the harbors of our great lakes and seacoast, and the navigation of our principal rivers, and recommended that appropriations should be made for completing such works as had already been commenced, and for commencing such others as might seem to the wisdom of Congress to be of public and general importance. Without repeating the reasons then urged, I deem it my duty again to call your attention to this important subject. The works on many of the harbors were left in an unfinished state, and consequently exposed to the action of the elements, which is fast destroying them. Great numbers of lives and vast amounts of property are annually lost for want of safe and convenient harbors on the lakes. None but those who have been exposed to that dangerous navigation can fully appreciate the importance of this subject.

The whole northwest appeals to you for relief, and I trust that your hands will receive due consideration at their appeal.

The same is in a measure true in regard to some of the harbors and inlets on the seacoast. The unobstructed navigation of our large rivers is of equal importance.

INDIAN DEPREDACTIONS—THE ARMY AND NAVY—THE ARCTIC EXPEDITION.

The protection of our Southwestern frontier, and of the adjacent Mexican States, against the Indian tribes within our border, has claimed my earnest and constant attention. A new arrangement of the military posts has been

made, whereby the troops are brought nearer the Mexican frontier, and to the tribes they are intended to overawe.

By the treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo we are bound to protect the territory of Mexico against the incursions of savage tribes within our border with equal diligence and energy as if the same were made within our territory or against our citizens. I have endeavored to comply, as far as possible, with this provision of the treaty.

The Indians of California, who had previously appeared of a peaceable character, and disposed to cultivate the friendship of the whites, have recently committed several acts of hostility. The military force now stationed there is considered entirely inadequate to its defence. It cannot be increased, however, without an increase of the army; and I again recommend that measure as indispensable to the protection of the frontier.

The appropriations for the support of the army during the current fiscal year ending 30th June next, were reduced far below the estimate submitted by the Department. The consequence of this reduction is a considerable deficiency, to which I invite your early attention.

The expenditures of that Department, for the year ending the 30th of June last, were \$9,060,368.58 dollars. The estimates for the year commencing 1st July next and ending June 30, 1853, are 7,898,775.83 dollars; showing a reduction of 1,161,492.75 dollars.

Our Naval force about during the present year has been actively and usefully employed in giving protection to our widely extended and increasing commerce and interests in the various quarters of the globe, and our flag has everywhere afforded the security and received the respect inspired by the justice and liberality of our intercourse, and the dignity and power of the nation.

The expedition commanded by Lieutenant De Haven, dispatched in search of the British commander, Sir John Franklin, and his companions in the Arctic Seas, returned to New York in the month of October, after having undergone great peril and suffering from an unknown and dangerous navigation, and the rigors of a northern climate, without any satisfactory information of the objects of their search, but with new contributions to science and navigation from the unfrequented polar regions. The officers and men of the expedition, having been all volunteers for this service, and having so conducted it as to meet the entire approbation of the Government, it is suggested, as an act of grace and generosity, that the same allowances of extra pay and emolument be extended to them that were made to the officers and men of like rating in the late exploring expedition to the South Seas.

THE POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT—PUBLIC STATUTES OF THE U. S.

At the close of the last fiscal year, the length of mail routes in the United States was 196,290 miles; annual transportation thereon, 53,272,252 miles; annual cost of such transportation, \$3,421,754. Foreign transportation, 615,206 miles, at an expense of \$1,472,187.

The annual transportation within the United States exceeds that of the preceding year 6,162,822 miles, at an increased cost of \$547,110. Gross revenue of the Department the last fiscal year, \$6,727,866.78. Expenditures during the same period, \$6,024,566.79, leaving a balance of revenue of \$703,299.99.

The reduction of postage under the act of March last, did not take effect until the commencement of the present fiscal year. The accounts for the first quarter, under the operation of the reduced rates, will not be settled before January next; and no reliable estimates of receipts can be made. It is believed, however, that they will fall far short of those of the preceding years.

The President recommends an adherence to the present letter rates, but a revision of the rates on printed matter.

The President recommends that provision be made by law for the appointment of a commission to revise the public statutes of the U. S. They have been accumulating for more than sixty years, and should be collected and arranged so as to be accessible to the great mass of the community.

The District of Columbia is commended to the favorable regard of Congress, as usual, and the appointment of a commission recommended to settle private claims against the U. S.

THE FUGITIVE SLAVE LAW—THE COMPROMISE.

It is deeply to be regretted that in several instances officers of the General Government, in attempting to execute the law for the return of fugitives from labor, have been openly resisted, and their efforts frustrated and defeated by lawless and violent mobs; that in one case such resistance resulted in the death of an estimable citizen, and in others serious injury ensued to those officers and individuals who were using their endeavors to sustain the law. Prosecutions have been instituted against the alleged offenders; so far as they could be identified, and are still pending. I have regarded it as my duty, in these cases, to give all aid legally in my power to the enforcement of the laws, and I shall continue to do so wherever and whenever their execution may be resisted.

The act of Congress for the return of fugitives from labor is one required and demanded by the express words of the Constitution.

Some objections have been urged against the details of the act for the return of fugitives from labor; but it is worthy of remark that the main opposition is aimed against the Constitution itself, and proceeds from persons and classes of persons, many of whom declare their wish to see that Constitution overturned. They avow their hostility to any law which shall give full and practical effect to this requirement of the Constitution. Fortunately the number of these persons is comparatively small, and is believed to be daily diminishing; but the issue which they present is one which involves the supremacy and even the existence of the Constitution.

Nullification is now aimed, not so much against particular laws as being inconsistent with the Constitution, as against the Constitution itself; and it is not to be disguised that a spirit exists and has been actively at work to readjust this Union, which is our cherished inheritance from our revolutionary fathers.

In my last annual message I stated that I considered the series of measures, which had been adopted at the previous session, in reference to the agitation growing out of the territorial and slavery questions, as a final settlement in principle and substance of the dangerous and exciting subjects which they embraced.

Looking at the interests of the whole country, I felt it to be my duty to seize upon this compromise as the best that could be obtained amid conflicting interests, and to insist upon it as a final settlement, to be adhered to by all who value the peace and welfare of the country. A year has now elapsed since that recommendation was made. To that recommendation I still adhere, and I congratulate you and the country on the general acquiescence in these measures of peace, which has been exhibited in all parts of the Republic. And not only is there this general acquiescence in

these measures, but the spirit of conciliation which has been manifested in regard to them in all parts of the country, has removed doubts and uncertainties in the minds of thousands of good men concerning the durability of our popular institutions, and given renewed assurance that our Liberty and our Union may subsist together for the benefit of this and all succeeding generations.

MILLARD FILLMORE.

WASHINGTON, December 2, 1851.

The Eastern Mail.

WATERVILLE... DEC. 11, 1851.

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Editorial Correspondence.

U. S. HOTEL, PORTLAND, December 6, 1851.

The young lions outdo the old ones. None of the old railroads of N. England offer a more comfortable and attractive ride than the one whose good features will always have to shine through the dismal cognomen of the "Back Route." No road is better manned, has neater or more comfortable cars, or is conducted with more quiet or order in all that interests the traveller, than the Androscoggin and Kennebec. The natural scenery of the route is unequalled;—and this, especially, is a compliment which is heard again and again by all who pass over the road.

In the cars yesterday were nine passengers on their way to the gold-diggings. Some had been there once, and were on their way after a second pile. One poor fellow was found in his praises of California; but his compliments were interspersed with a deep sepulchral cough, and his smiles spread over a pale and sallow face, that told everybody but himself that the only "pile" of which he was sure was a pile of "sordid dust" of which no "false marble" would tell the resting place.

Last night was the time set for Jenny Lind's concert in Portland. Had not a "slight affection of the throat" interfered with the plan, I should have been just in time. How small a matter, sticking in the throat of a woman, will defeat the best plans of a thousand men!

By way of consolation I looked in upon the Panorama of California, which has been drawing good houses for a fortnight past. How easy to learn in a few minutes what has cost others the labor of years! Here, seated by a good fire and cheered by delicious music—with no fears ahead and no lingering looks behind—we sail into the port of Chagres, and pass on our way over the famous Isthmus. Here we climb the mountain passes, fight the Indians, and do everything that men have done or boasted of doing; and finally throw ourselves upon a steamer to pant and hope and fear till she puts into the safe and quiet, but yet tumultuous and dangerous harbor of San Francisco. None tarry here, that would see the elephant—but on this river and that, on dry diggings and wet diggings, on mountains and plains, on steamers, on mules and on foot, hurry on, and on, and on to the end of the picture! And all as quietly as one would smoke a cigar at the Elmwood! How easy to go to California!—and how perfectly satisfactory in all but the pile!

I go to Boston this morning. Jumping from a nice warm bed on a winter morning—leaving Woodward's is just like it. So quiet and orderly, so pleasant and attentive, so substantial and good! No hotel in New England excels it, and no man but its gentlemanly landlord could make it what it is.

The dreadful affair at Frankfurt is the topic of remark with everybody. It seems to be deeply regretted by both friends and opponents of the law. I hope the affair will turn out less serious than reports now make it.

But I am off for Boston—from which great center of the world I will write you.

Yours truly, but briefly, E. M.

BOSTON CORRESPONDENCE.

BOSTON, Dec. 8, 1851.

After various "hair breadths" escapes I arrived home, much pleased with my Thanksgiving trip to your pleasant and to me attractive town. We were only fourteen hours from Boston to Waterville, and fifteen in returning. Very expeditious, considering that we ran off the track but once, were delayed by but one "smash-up," one "bust-up" only, and a quantity of snow drifts thrown in to save brake-age. Rather a "slow coach" for these hurrying times.

In the way of local news, little of interest has transpired since my last communication. On Saturday last, one of the famous "Hobbs locks" was exhibited at the Merchants' Exchange, and attracted considerable attention from the curious in such matters. The "Senior," whom I had the pleasure of taking by the hand, denies emphatically that he came up purposely to pick it. He says he was there on other business.

Since Kossuth's arrival in New York, the papers are filled with accounts of receptions, speeches, &c. I for one am completely surfeited and sick of this "man worship." In this country we overdo these things, and make fools of ourselves, frequently getting a "sea" in our ears for our pains; for instance, the Dickens reception. In my opinion, Kossuth is an exalted patriot, worthy to be named with Washington, or he is a most consummate hypocrite. As his name will often occur to your readers, I will give them the pronunciation as given by the leading journals. The Journal of Commerce, N. Y., says it should be Kos-shoot.

The N. Y. Evening Post thinks the accent should be on the

first syllable. The Tribune says Kos-shoot. Kos-shoot—as in union, with emphasis on the first syllable and the second short. The Eastern Mail, of this city (good authority), says, "Hungarian informs us that it should be pronounced Kos-shoot, which is decidedly preferable to the short, shut or yoot." There, ladies and gents, you have your choice. Kos-shoot for me.

The unfortunate occurrence on board the steamer Boston has caused regret among the temperance, and anti-temperance men in the community; but it has stimulated the former to greater efforts, and the latter Liqueur has more thoroughly discussed than ever. Relations are in circulation in every part of the State for the enactment of a similar law by the legislature. It is in contemplation by this city soon after the assembling of the legislature, and at that time to present these petitions "en masse." There will be a great gathering on that occasion. I could not but admire Marshal Tukey's prompt and energetic reply to the query propounded to him by the Council of Boston, as to the best method of preventing the increase of grog shops, or something to that effect. His answer was simple—"Execute the law." He is just the man to do so. He has not the remotest idea of being arrested for "Riot" when serving a search warrant.

Jenny Lind gave her farewell concert on Saturday evening. Hundreds were unable to secure seats. Promenade tickets were sold at four dollars each—two dollars above the office price.

Oratorios and concerts of every description are abundant. This is certainly destined to be a gay winter for the Bostonians. One has opportunity to "shake the foot" every evening except Saturday and Sunday. This reminds me of the "Tiger Assembly" that came off Thursday eve last. It was a magnificent affair, and a hundred couple or more were lighted. This was the first of a series of four. The music was furnished by Bond's Corn Band—the same that gave the concert in Waterville last summer when you were visited by Ex. 3 Fire Association.

Money for a few days past has been in great demand, and borrowers plenty, but rates a first class commercial paper remain much the same, and it is easily negotiated at 9 a 10 per cent. Second grade paper is not so readily taken at former quotations, say 12 a 15 per cent.

Mr. Thrasher has been sent to Spain to wait on the time for which he was sentenced. We shall probably hear something interesting relative to his case from Judge Sharkey ere long.

Mr. Webster's instructions to Mr. Lawrence, our Minister in England, are explicit and the nation is required to avow or disavow the recent insult offered to our flag by the British sloop of war stationed at Graytown.

A little snow yesterday.

Yrs respy, CHAS. DUDLEY.

BULLARD'S PANORAMA OF NEW YORK CITY.

This splendid work of art, of which every body has heard, has been exhibited here this week, to crowds of delighted visitors, including the teachers and pupils of most of the schools within three miles of our village, who went away profited as well as pleased. The wonderful success of this panorama, however high it ranks as a work of art, and beautiful and truthfully as it is done, is due in no small measure to the business tact and shrewdness of the indomitable energy and unwearied perseverance of the gentlemanly agent, Mr. Albert Norton—who has done for Mr. Bullard and his panorama what Barnum did for Jenny Lind—introduced sterling merit to the public in way to be properly appreciated. The following testimonials from Mr. Weston, of the Liberal Institute in this village, and Dr. Young of Lewiston Falls, show in good estimation the beautiful painting is held by good judges.

WATERVILLE, Dec. 9, 1851.

Dear Sir:—I am happy to acknowledge the satisfaction which I have received in attending upon the exhibition of BULLARD'S PANORAMA OF NEW YORK CITY. I have been visiting it for the last two or three days, and I am sure that you will find it a most interesting and instructive exhibition. I have seen it with a view to the purpose of recommending it to the teachers and pupils of the schools within three miles of our village, who went away profited as well as pleased. The wonderful success of this panorama, however high it ranks as a work of art, and beautiful and truthfully as it is done, is due in no small measure to the business tact and shrewdness of the indomitable energy and unwearied perseverance of the gentlemanly agent, Mr. Albert Norton—who has done for Mr. Bullard and his panorama what Barnum did for Jenny Lind—introduced sterling merit to the

