## THE GLEANER.

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### E. S. PARKER, THE MESSAGE OF THE PRESS DENT.

This document was given to the country last Tuesday, and a synopsis of it was at once telegraphed throughout the land. It is a very lengthy docu\_ ment, the synopsis being too lengthy in our judgment to prove of general interest to our readers.

On the Cubas question, about which interest and apprehensions have been felt, the President recommends no pos itive or active policy, and certainly does not recommend the recognition of even beligerent rights to the struggling tics for the past dozen years or more. Cubans. He reports all feared complications with Spain at an end, and that we are at peace, and likely to remain so, with all mankind, He thinks that he may specially communicate with Congress about Cuba hereafter. He goes for the restoration of duty upon tes and coffee, and for hard money just as early as possible, at least in three years. He says our Nawy is all right, and in a highly satisfactory condition. This important document he winds up in the following words:

"As this will be the last message I shall have the henor of submitting to Congress before my successor is chosen I will repeat or recapitulate the questions which I deem of vital importance and which may be legislated upon and settled at this session:

First, That the States shall be required to afford the opportunity of a good common school education to every child within their limits.

Second, No sectarian tenets shall ever be taught in any school supported in whole or in part by the State or Nation or proceeds of any tax levied upon any community; make education compulsory so far as to deprive all persons who cannot read and write from becoming voters after the year disfranchising none, however, on grounds of illiteracy who may be voters at the time this amendment takes effect :

Third, Declare church and State forever separate and distinct, but each free within their proper spheres, and that all church property shall bear its own proportion of taxation.

Fourth, Drive out licensed immorality such as polygamy and the importation of women for illegitimate purposes. I recur again to the Centennial year. It would seem as though now, as we are about to begin the second century of our national existence, would be a most fitting time for those reforms.

Fifth, Enact such laws as will secure a speedy return to a sound currency such as will command the respect of the world. Believing that these views will commend themselves to the great major ity of the right thinking and patriotic citizens of the United States, I submit the rest to Congress, U. S. GRANT. [Signed,]

## WHAT THE NEW SPEAKER SAID

Mr. Kerr, upon taking the Chair as Speaker of the House made the tollowing sensible speech. It is short, but

#### THE NEW SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE.

Michael C. Kerr, the recently elected Speaker of the House of Represenatives of the forty-fourth Congress, is from New Editor. Albany Indiana. He is a lawyer by

profession, and one of marked ability. He is a native of Pennsylvania and is forty-eight years old. He has had considerable experience in public life, and is regarded by all as eninently qualified to fill the honorable and responsible position to which he has been called. At present a peculiar interest attaches to his record, and it is being given by the press, with as little if anything damaging to his fame and reputation, as can be found in the record of any one prominent, during the exciting and changing scenes of American poli-

He was a war Democrat, is what is known as a hard money Democrat, is a non-protectionist, is able, learned and faithful; is of the highest integrity as universally admitted, and a man of a very liberal sense of Justice and fairness. He brings with him into place and and power, honesty and capability, those qualities which have been so rare in high and low places in the recent history of our government. The Democracy could have made no better beginning.

Endowment for Stonewall Jackson" Daughter.

We clip the following from the morning Star:

The following is an extract from a circular concerning a movement which will be started simultaneously in Virginia and Georgia, and which will doubtless receive the loving favor of all the South? The movement has received the approbation of General James L Kemper, Governor of Virginia, and is now in the hands of one of Georgia's pet heroes for advice and consideration. The circular emanated from Charlottes

ville, Va: A movement is now on foot to endow little Julia, the child of Stonewall Jackson, and it is in such hands as will doubtless make it a success worthy se the name and fame of the great man whom two worlds unite to honor. The soldiers and their families are mak ing the movement, and chieftains en. dorse it. Only in sums of one dollar and hundredths parts of one dollar will subscriptions be received that all may partake of this feast of love, gratitude

and honor and none be debarred. Soldiers, what would you give to Jackson living? What ought you to give to Jackson's child?

Arrest of James Fotner, the Engineer who Laused the Late Accident on the C., U. &. A.R. R

The Charlotte Observer of Tuesday avs:

On Sunday morning James Feiner the engineer at whose door is laid the resposibility of the recent accident on the Charlotte, Columbia & Agusta Railroad, by which was entailed a great loss of life and property was brought to this city on the Air-Line train. He got on the train at Atlanta and, it having

been ascertained who he was the conducter, A, J, Vickers, and the baggage to a foreign country and that he is no er, H. Tidebotte m. ner arrest, tied him and brought him to this city, in order to obtain the rewad which had been offered for him. Fetner made no resistance, but stated that he was willing to go since he was then on his way to Columbia to give himself up. Arriviving in this city his captors attempted to put him on the Columbia train; but acting under the advice of friends he flately refused to go, and deputy sheriff Ferrow was sent for. The officer hand-cuffed him in the office of the Central Hotel and carried him to jail, where he now remains. A telegram was sent to Gov. Chemberlain, apprising him of the tion is closed. arrest and confinement and he will no doubt at once make a requisition upon Gov. Brogden for the prisoner. Fetner was drunk at the time of his ar-

# TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

nne.

In the Democratic caucus of members of the House, M. C. Kerr of Indiana was nominated for speaker on the third ballot. In the morning Wood of New York, who had withdrawn from the contest annuounced himself in favor of Kerr. the vote stood thus. First ballot. Kerr 71, Randall 59, Cox 81, Second: Kerr 77. Randall 63, Cox 21, Saylor 1. Third Kerr 90, Randall 63, Cox 7, Sayor 1. On the third ballot Cox asked his friends to support the successful candidate

It is said that Post-Master General Jewell will retire from the Cabinet in a few weeks.

Lieut. Gen. Sheridan, Maj. Gen. Hancock and Brig. Gen. Terry form court of inquiry in the case of Gen. Babcock. The court to convene on Thursday the 9th this month in Chica-

After the nonination of Kerr, Mr. Randall said: "Mr. Chairman, let the wish of the majority be the voice of all. From this moment the difference among ourselves must be at an end, and thus present a united front to our adversaries. Our mission on this floor must be. as far as we all are able, to restore the Government to its constitutional purposes and to expose the corruption of the Administration-a work more of personal character to those around who have so steadily supported me. They have lost their choice but have gained a life long friend. I now move that the nomination of Michael C. Kerr be made unanimous.

A ten seconds earthquake in portions of California.

A boy fourteen years old committed uicide in New York.

Forty of the strongest Republicans bolted the Mayoralty nominating Con. vention in Boston, and organized seperately and nominated Mayor Cobb. The Democrats made no nomination.

Adams of Kentucky nominated for Chiet Clerk of the House.

The Senate organized on monday with Ferry in the Chair. In the organ zation of the House the McEnry certifi cates of members from Louisiana were laid aside. The Mississippi delegation was recieved, the certificates having been signed by the Lieut. Governor. Boss Tweed escaped from the clutch-

s of the law. Police after him but nothing learned.

There were 280 members of the Hous sworn in Monday. Mearcy of La. and Goode of Va. were sworn in after debate, their seats being contested.

The following are the officers elected by the House, after nomination by the Democratic caucus on Saturday Clerk, Geo. M. Adams, of Kentucky ; Sergentat-arms, John G. Thompson, Ohie; Doorkeeper, Lafayette H. Fitzhugh, of Texas; Pastmaster, James M. Stewart, of Virginia, and Chaplian, Rev. J. L. Townsend, of the District of Columbia.

An awful explosion occured in an English coal-mine, destroying the lives of some 140 miners

It is thought that Tweed has escap



long enough. It is in keeping with our understanding of the character of the man. When he has anything to say he says it and stops. Mr. Kerr said:

"I am truly gratified for the honor you have conterred, in calling me to this exalted station. I profoundly ap. preciate the importance and delicacy of its duties. I shall doubtless many times need your patient indulgence; I pray that you will grant it, and with nothing but kindly feeling toward-every member of the House, I promise that in all my official acts. I will divest myself to the utmost of my ability of all personal bias and to observe complete fairness and impartiality towards all the great and diversified interests of our country represented in the House.

New Fork authorities are . charging bribery upon each other in connection rest. with the escape of Tweed. The old fellow is gone, and he had already suffered much more than falls to the lot of theives, and plunderers now-a-days. He has lost his fortune that was never houestly his, his position, into which he bought his way with stolen money, his liberty which proved so damaging to the public, his privilege to live where extradition treaties exist, has suffered years of imprisonment has stolen away by bribery or cunning and is now concea ed or hunting a place of concealment, while there are equally great rascals left, who are at full liberty, and engaged in as sisting to run this mighty Government. If they will make less ado of the esc ape of Tweed and busy themselves catching other rascals it will be more profitable. What is one thief or rascal to a country of our vast and exaustless resources Let him go. There is no prospect of our wanting for men of his class or qualications as long as Grant's Internal Rev nue officers hold out. Let some other rtunate.country claim his services. He will not be missed here, especially it idating revenue districts is to be der. The truth is we shall have an spare him, let him go.

The papers are after Gov. Brogden for an abuse of the pardoning power. He is charged with granting pardons without exacting the payment of the costs by the convicted and without acquainting himself with the facts, and against the protests of those knowing all the facts at least in one case. He is charged with a departure from the rule of getting the facts from the Judge who tried the case or the solicitor who prosecuted. It is charged, that during his brief term, he has pardoned more con-victed criminals than did Governors Reid, Bragg, Ellis and Vance during their sixteen years of office. Thes charges appear to be true.

Col. P. Donan, editor of the Sentine has been elected an honorary member of the Oak City Pleasure Club. He ought to have been made an active member. An inference of old age re-tirement about the honorary membership.

Gov. Brogden has commissioned T. B. Keogh of Greensboro, a delegate to the American Board of Transportation and commerce which meets in Chicago

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still continues. Vessels are being fitt for service.

The steamer Deatschland, of t North German line is lost with all board, about 150 passengers and cr included.

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Thomas Rogers, at Syracuse, N. drunk, killed his wife with a hamm and badly injured his daughter.

R. C. Watts, a well known citizen St. Louis, charges Internal Reven Supervisor, Mayor, with a guil knowledge of trauds practiced by t

gas company on revenue. There has been an informal meet of the National Democaatic Commit at washington, when the subject of meeting of the next National De cratic Convention was discus eral members of the Committee favo St. Louis as the meeting place, some Western city in any eve There will be a formal meeting of Committee in February when the ti and place will definitely be fixed. The Book Agts of the M. E. Chu

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