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IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS.

The manifest of the people have brought us several documents of the highest importance. The Report of the Secretary of the Treasury, the Message of the President, the proposed Constitution, and the Proclamation announcing the official celebration of the centennial of the independence of the United States.

From this Report we gather the facts officially that the Mexican War and its acquisitions have cost the country the sum of \$317,175,575 and that the claims arising indirectly from the war are of such vast variety as to forbid an approximation to their amount.

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS—M'LE LIND. We learn from the Baltimore Star, that M'Le Lind gave a free Concert to the Children of the Public Schools of the Monumental City, at the Front Street Theatre on Saturday last.

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LETTER FROM ROY. J. R. POINSETT TO THE PEOPLE OF S. CAROLINA.

FELLOW CITIZENS. My object in addressing you in this crisis of our affairs will scarcely be misunderstood. I am a Carolina by birth and principle, and all I care in the world is vested in lands and negroes.

I have a common interest then in the question before the country, and I ought to express my views and opinions. I should not, however, have departed from my determination to abstain from taking part in politics, if I had not lately enjoyed unusual opportunities of observing the conduct and character of the opposition made at the North to our institutions, and if I had not perceived from the tenor of the speech and writings published in the North, that the subject is not fully understood in South Carolina.

These speeches and writings have tended to irritate the feelings of some, and to alarm the fears of others, among our fellow citizens of the North. Many, however, among them have regarded these outbursts of passion without resentment, and have assembled together in recent meetings to testify their devotion to the Union, and their firm determination to maintain the laws of the country.

On one of these occasions, my passage through Philadelphia, I was solicited to be present, that I might witness their proceedings and bear testimony to you, that our fellow-citizens of Pennsylvania were animated to see the laws affecting our property enforced in their State. I resisted the importunities of my numerous friends, because I did not desire to take part in the proceedings of another State.

It did not occur to me, that I should be drawn that I would not involve questions of boundary and right, only to be settled by the last appeal; and this country would soon exhibit the miserable aspect of the Spanish American States. Besides, such a Confederacy would present no barrier against the public debt on the 30th November last was \$64,838,282.

The expenditures for the War and Navy Departments (especially the former) have been greatly increased by our territorial acquisitions. The Secretary calls to mind the important fact that in reference to the estimates of revenue, the last three or four years have been exceptional ones.

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A FACT FOR FARMERS. Dr. R. T. Baldwin has recently made public the result of several years investigations and experiments upon manures, and the various modes of fertilizing the soil. He states that the best and most judicious way to fertilize any soil, is to cover it over with straw, horse manure, or any raw material, so as completely to shade it. The surface of the earth thus being made cool, damp and close, soon undergoes a chemical process like putrefaction, and becomes highly fertilized.

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Wheat, Corn, &c. Wanted... THE subscribers respectfully inform the citizens of Jefferson and Berkeley counties...

Small room, lighted by three penny candles... Mr. Brown has the honor to announce that he has just received...

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