

few necessary measures to your consideration.

(Signed)  
RUTHERFORD B. HAYES.

Accompanying the Message are estimates from the Secretary of the Treasury of the money needed for the army and legislative branches of the government, the same as those submitted at the opening of last session, with the exception of the items provided for at that session. The last Congress made a provision for the military academy at West Point, and for fortifications and armament. This leaves, according to estimates, \$28,340,500 yet to be appropriated for the army. none of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriations were provided for even in part. The estimate for these expenses is \$16,520,601. To these appropriations are also to be added the item for court expenses, which is generally placed in the sundry civil bill, but which was left out of that bill at the last session. The estimates for these expenses is \$3,000,000.

The President has nominated the following Consuls General: Jas. Reilly Weaver, of West Va., to Vienna; David H. Bailey, of Ohio, to Shanghai.

Representative Sparks will submit to the House, at the first practicable moment, the army appropriation bill and a call for immediate action. The bill will be identical in provisions with that passed by the last House.

VICKSBURG, Miss., 19. — Last night a shooting affray occurred between Capt. W. F. Fitzgerald, Capt. W. H. Andrews and M. L. Greene. Andrews and Greene were killed almost instantly, and Fitzgerald dangerously wounded. The difficulty originated about an Hibernian meeting at which Andrews was elected President. Fitzgerald claimed to still be president of the Hibernian Society and denounced the election of Andrews as a farce. Greene took exception to Fitzgerald's remarks, attempted to draw a weapon and Fitzgerald drew first, and shot Greene through the heart. Andrews then shot Fitzgerald and Fitzgerald shot Andrews. Andrews was head of the firm of W. H. Andrews & Brother, and was president of the Howard Association after Rockwood's death last summer. W. L. Greene was clerk of Andrews & Brother. Fitzgerald is a prominent lawyer and was once the republican State district attorney.

#### FOREIGN.

BERLIN, 18. — The committee of the Reichstag on standing orders resolved not to undertake any general revision of the rules of the house, but will simply revise the arrangements relative to the president's power to prevent a member from speaking.

The tariff commission seems particularly anxious to secure German industry against American competition. It has proposed heavy duties upon most of the articles now imported from America. Its last decision is in favor of a duty of 20 marks per cwt. on leather goods. Protectionists are now attacking the present coinage system and recommend the issue of plenty of money.

Herr Leibnecht's speech has sadly injured the socialist cause.

The Emperor is still obliged to keep his room in consequence of the recent fall, but is improving.

Prince Frederick Charles, brother of the Emperor William, is seriously ill.

ROME, 18. — The Pope sent 5,000 lire to Szegedin for the relief of the sufferers.

PARIS, 18. — Minister Ferry's higher education bill avowedly aims at the exclusion of Jesuits from the right of teaching.

#### Correspondence.

Missionary Labor in Kentucky.

PAINTSVILLE, Johnson Co., Ky., March 11th, 1879.

Editors Evening News:

About the middle of last December the people of Big Sandy Valley, East Kentucky, were thrown into a state of curiosity and excitement by the arrival of "Mormon" missionaries. We had scarcely begun our missionary labors, in public, when we found ourselves the subject of conversation throughout society and the victims to numerous discreditable attacks

from the press. Many, however, expressed a willingness, and some even a desire to listen to our preaching, while others were sufficiently interested to furnish us with halls in which to hold services, prompted more by a desire to gratify curiosity than anything else. This feeling of tolerance, let it be understood, was not universal, for there is a certain class of individuals here who would rather that we had been swept down the Ohio River by an iceberg than to have us suddenly burst in upon their proceedings. At that time the whole populace, or rather the religious portion of them, being by great odds the majority, were engaged in "protracted meetings," or what are more commonly known as "revivals." These were agitating the country for miles around, extending into the adjoining States. The clergy regarded our arrival as a dangerous invasion, and were not slow in denouncing us and our doctrines in the most villifying language. Through the kindness of the more liberal-minded few who were not so radically prejudiced, and others not participating in the revivals, we were enabled to hold several public meetings with good attendance; but unfortunately for us, the clergy, who have entire control of the church-houses and other public halls, as though fearful of the result, invariably shut the doors against us, positively refusing to permit a repetition of our services. With these and other equally antagonistic obstacles in our way, we have continued, perseveringly, to advocate the principles of the gospel wherever it has been practicable, and I am pleased to state, we now have friends in every town and settlement where we have raised our voices in proclaiming the truth.

Being denied the use of public halls, we have held services in private dwellings, with good results. For two months past we have held weekly meetings in Paintsville and in several of the adjacent settlements. During our three months' experience we have visited many of the country districts on both sides of the Sandy Valley and have been received, in many instances, with hospitality and kindness.

Religion is represented here by Methodists, Baptists and Campbellites, with divisions and subdivisions, until, altogether, there are about eight or nine religious parties, all represented, in nearly every little town and village. There are many honest-hearted souls among them all, and also a large percentage of unprincipled enthusiasts. Most of the persecutions which we have endured, and those under which we are now bearing up, have emanated from the ministers of Christendom. But with all their evil workings, misrepresentations and calumnies, our little craft of truth has ridden the surging waves and strong current of opposition, avoiding all the shoals and breakers that have been thrown in her course, and, after a three months' cruise, amidst tempests and squalls, she has entered the harbor of success with a cargo of eleven souls—all rescued from the floating wreck—sectarianism.

Last Thursday we baptized ten honest-hearted believers, and on Sunday they, with one who had been previously baptized, were organized into a branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The organization will be known as the Muddy Creek branch, with Thomas S. Brown presiding. Those who have received the gospel are among the poor, but they possess what riches seldom bring—whole-souled charity, and would willingly deprive themselves of the ordinary comforts to entertain a servant of God. The past winter has been the coldest and severest, in every respect, that has ever been experienced in this locality—so say the old residents; twelve degrees below zero is a temperature quite frequently experienced about last Christmas and will very favorably compare with that of some of the middle and northern States.

The Kentuckians are familiar with neither the doctrine nor history of the "Mormons" but are, as a whole, filled with prejudice, resulting from newspaper scandals, and other fabulous publications. We have walked more than 300 miles in our ministerial labors already, and still continue to tramp through the mud to our numerous appointments in the neighboring settlements, proclaiming the immutable truths of the gospel, knowing that there are many here who are searching for

truth with a desire to serve God, and who will accept our message when understood, for this reason, and with a knowledge of the importance of this latter-day work, we bear persecution, trials, buoyed up by the comforting words of Christ—"Blessed are they who are persecuted for righteousness sake."

Elders John R. Holt and Jesse Vincent and myself feel to thank almighty God for the success that has attended our labors, and shall continue to work with energy until we shall have finished our mission. In conclusion, I feel assured in stating that our little branch of eleven will soon receive several additions, and, ere long, will present an important feature in the history of "Mormonism."

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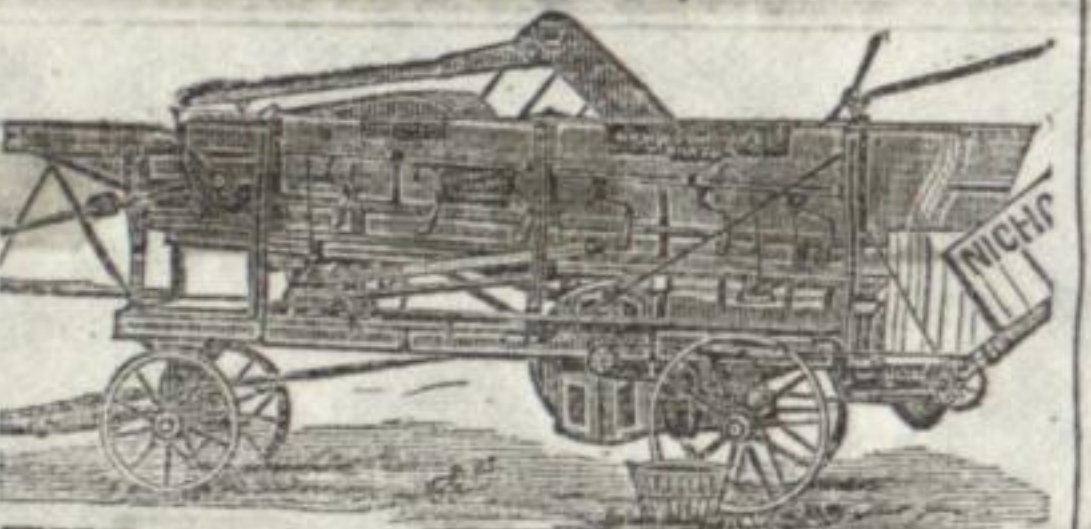
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