GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

To the Legislature and Members of the House of Representatives of the State of Pennsylvania:

Gentlemen,—In submitting to the Legislature my annual message, I do so feeling, as in past years, a sense of the gravity of the responsibilities which have been intrusted to me, and of the obligations which the production of this message imposes upon me. It is but natural that the impress of these feelings should be apparent in this message, and that they should influence the manner in which I present the subject with which I am peculiarly concerned. At the same time I am aware that the public interest is not confined to the immediate business of the Government, and that it extends to matters far beyond the reach of any limited sphere of action. The Legislature, indeed, is the only body that can properly consider the interests of the whole State, and it is to that body that I therefore address myself, in order to obtain its assistance in the measures which I am about to recommend.

In presenting the subject of the annual message, I do not propose to enter into a detailed discussion of the past year, nor to occupy the time of the Legislature with a recital of the events that have taken place. The Legislature is no doubt aware of the facts, and is familiar with the circumstances that have contributed to the position in which the State now finds itself. It is but necessary, therefore, that I should confine myself to matters of a more general nature, and to considerations that extend beyond the immediate concerns of the Government.

I will therefore proceed to summarize the principal events of the past year, and to indicate the measures that I propose to take for their remedy. The Legislature will, I trust, find in this summary a sufficient basis for the determination of its course of action, and for the formulation of its measures for the future.

1. The financial and economic situation of the State is the most important matter that confronts the Legislature. The crisis of the past year has shown the necessity of adopting a comprehensive plan for the financial reform of the State. This plan must be based on the principles of sound finance, and must be designed to meet the needs of the time. It is my intention to propose measures for the establishment of a sound basis for the finance of the State, and for the encouragement of private enterprise.

2. The education of the young is the foundation of the State's prosperity. It is therefore necessary that the Legislature should take measures for the improvement of education, and for the promotion of the interests of the people. I propose to recommend measures for the enlargement and extension of the public schools, and for the establishment of a system of secondary education. These measures will require the expenditure of a large sum of money, but it is necessary that the Legislature should be prepared to make the necessary sacrifices in order to provide for the future.

3. The protection of the people is the duty of the Government. It is therefore necessary that the Legislature should take measures for the enforcement of the laws, and for the preservation of peace and order. I propose to recommend measures for the increase of the police force, and for the establishment of a system of criminal justice. These measures will require the expenditure of a large sum of money, but it is necessary that the Legislature should be prepared to make the necessary sacrifices in order to provide for the future.

I have therefore the honor to submit to the Legislature the measures that I propose to take for the improvement of the State. It is my intention to recommend measures that will be in harmony with the principles of sound finance, and that will be calculated to meet the needs of the time. I trust that the Legislature will give them their due consideration, and that it will be prepared to adopt such measures as it may deem necessary for the welfare of the State.

In conclusion, I would express my hope that the Legislature will be guided by the principles of wisdom and equity, and that it will be actuated by the highest motives of patriotism and public duty. I have no doubt that it will be prepared to meet the demands of the time, and to provide for the future.

J. Q. Adams, Governor.
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Local News.

What Franklin County Pay.—The following assessment, compiled from the Auditor’s report, shows the revenue of Franklin County. The tax due on January 1st, when the tax list was compiled, is $1,200,000. Total, $1,200,000. Gross, $1,200,000. Tax due, $1,200,000. Total, $1,200,000. City of Pittsburgh, $200,000. City of Allegheny, $100,000. Total, $1,200,000.

The Commissioners of the City of Pittsburgh have decided to enforce the payment of taxes on real estate. The tax list for the year 1861, is $1,200,000. The total assessment for the county is $1,200,000. The assessment for the city of Pittsburgh is $200,000. The assessment for the city of Allegheny is $100,000. The total assessment for the county is $1,200,000.

WANTED.—A new and improved method of raising tobacco. Address, J. P. Brown, 205 Main Street, Pittsburg.

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