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Again, does he follow the people in a lively... state of feeling? Is he desirous that they should grow in grace...

And how can ministers show their interest in the work? Let them see to it that as many of their members as can possibly be employed...

Let them make it a point to attend the monthly conference of prayer, and by their presence and remarks, make them doubly interesting to the distributor.

If it is worthy their attention, and does really share a place in their affections, this will not be too great an exhibition of interest.

CIRCULAR.

To the Baptist State Conventions, Associations, and Churches in the United States.

THE Board of the American and Foreign Bible Society, would express their gratitude to God for the success which has already attended their labors. Originating in the providence of God, the institution has thus far been favored with the approbation of his people...

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FOR THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST.

In a recent communication we expressed our surprise at the opposition of some of our brethren, to the missionary operations of the day, and the various objections which they urge for not contributing to the extent of their ability...

By this arrangement, 43 hours will be saved from Philadelphia to Augusta, besides a routing of the telegraph and steamship lines from Baltimore to Petersburg, via short changes of Rail Road, stages, and steamboats; the drafty journey from the Roanoke to the north and west, and night and day is exchanged for clean roads to Wilmington, and but one change by the steamer from the Wilmington Rail Road to the Washington and safe—Permouth (Pa.) Times.

CHARLESTON, S. C.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1836.

SYNOPSIS OF THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

The Message of the President of the United States to both Houses of Congress, was read on the 8th inst. It commences with congratulations on the high state of property which the country has attained, and the success of the States in the maintenance of the national peace, and establish cordial relations with all foreign powers.

He then states that many questions of an interesting character, at issue with other powers, are yet undisturbed. The financial means of the country are said to keep pace with improved industry. The estimated expenditures for the year ending on the 30th of January next, are estimated at \$14,636,002; exceeding by \$9,633,002 the amount which will be left in the department, subject to the draft of the Treasury of the U. S. after the contemplated transfers to the several States are made.

If, therefore, the verbal receipts should not be sufficient to meet these outstanding and necessary appropriations, there may soon be a necessity to use a portion of the funds deposited with the States. The main object of the message is, at considerable length, against the propriety of an accumulation of money in the Treasury, and its distribution among the States; and recommends as the safest and simplest mode of obviating this, that the Treasury should collect and retain to meet the wants of the Government, and let the people keep the balance of their property in their own hands, to be used for their own profit. The message is very diffuse on the subject of Banks, and a paper currency, and the President recommends that the Secretary to collect at this session.

In noticing the Seminole war, the message states that during the summer it was chiefly confined to the protection of our frontier settlements, and that the Government has been very brave and disciplined of the officers and men, are spoken of in terms of high commendation. From the force at the disposal of Major General Jessup, who is now in command, and the disposition he has made, is instructed to meet, and from the well-aided operations which it is ascertained have been taken by Governor Calhoun, the President anticipates the speedy subjection of the enemy. In the mean time he recommends to Congress to make further appropriations.

The hostilities with the Creeks are represented as having been brought to a close soon after the adjournment of the last Congress; and their removal to the country assigned them west of the Mississippi having taken place.

At the date of the latest intelligence from Nagoeschoe, his troops were yet at that station; but the officer who has succeeded Gen. Gaines has recently been advised, that from the facts known at the seat of Government, there would seem to be no adequate cause for any longer maintaining that position; and he was accordingly instructed, in case the troops were not already withdrawn under the discretionary powers before possessed by him, to give the requisite orders for that purpose.

The report of the General presents a gratifying picture of the condition of the Post Office Department. Its revenues for the year ending the 30th June last, were \$3,308,455 1/2, showing an increase of revenue over that of the preceding year of \$404,978 3/8, or more than thirteen per cent.

The Department has been reduced from embarrassment and debt; has accumulated a surplus exceeding half a million of dollars; has largely extended, and is preparing still farther to extend, the mail service; and recommends a reduction of postage equal to about per cent.

The Message reiterates the conviction of the President, so often expressed, in favor of an amendment of the Constitution which will prevent, in any event, the election of the President and Vice President of the United States, by the House of Representatives and the Senate, and solicits the attention of Congress

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and furious. So long as they stand at a distance, and in the spirit of darkness, show their backs to the light, so far from their hearts being scorched, or blown up by the explosion, they may go on with all the speed with which infernal fury can burn them; but let them come amongst us with their miserable homilies on freedom, and they will learn in what regard they are held by receiving, as the just reward of their wretched infatuation, the halber and the gibbet.

On the 12th November, 1836, the subscribers for the purpose of forming a Baptist Bible Society for Newbury District, met at the camp ground near Mr. Robert Cleland's, after divine service by the Rev. N. W. Hodges, the meeting was organized by appointing the Rev. Daniel Mangum chairman, and John S. Carville secretary. Subscription papers were presented by Y. J. Harrington, Esq. and the Rev. Daniel Mangum, on which were added the following names, by which they agreed to become members of the Baptist Bible Society:

Y. J. Harrington, Esq., Daniel Mangum, Nancy Cannon, William B. Butler, John S. Carville, C. Harrington, James F. Harrington, Thaddeus Wilson, E. P. Wilson, D. Nance, Lucy P. Nance, W. P. Butler, R. Pitts, Thomas Pratt, D. P. Pratt, J. H. Wilson, John O'Neill, Helen O'Neal, Susan Pope, Sarah R. O'Neill, P. M. Spencer, Daniel S. Marshall, Hannah Barrett, J. H. Hunt, T. J. Sheppard, John S. Carville, Elizabeth Carville, Thomas Freeman, F. B. Higgins, C. A. Higgins, Celia D. Boyd, N. W. Hodges, Jesse Gary, Daniel Cannon, James S. Carville, Daniel Mangum, J. Cornell, Killis Anderson, John Sterling, George S. Cannon, John K. Griffin, John K. Gary, F. Griffin, Robert Cleland, Hillary W. Gary, Allen Anderson, William Leavelle, Richard S. Cannon, William B. Butler, John S. Carville, Y. J. Harrington, Esq., presented the project of a Constitution, which being considered article by article, was adopted, and is as follows; viz:

ARTICLE I. THE NAME OF THE SOCIETY SHALL BE THE NEWBURY BAPTIST BIBLE SOCIETY, whose single object shall be to aid in circulating the Holy Scriptures.

ARTICLE II. All persons contributing one dollar annually, shall be members of the Society; or ten dollars at one time, shall be members for life.

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SUMMARY OF LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.

CONGRESS, Dec. 9. In the House, Mr. Feter presented a petition for a new court house in Bedford District. Mr. Thompson gave notice to call to create the office of Auditor of the State, and for other purposes. Mr. Edmondson of a bill to prevent the carrying of concealed weapons, and the carrying of loaded pistols by the land forces of the United States, and for other purposes. Mr. Maughan of a bill to prevent the carrying of loaded pistols by the land forces of the United States, and for other purposes. Mr. Maughan of a bill to prevent the carrying of loaded pistols by the land forces of the United States, and for other purposes.

