

Selected Poetry.

Pause and Think. Oh! how many souls are sorrowing...

Think, immortal! thou art treading On a path laid thick with snares...

Think, ere thou consent to squander Aught of time in sinful mirth...

The President's Message.

The only part of the President's Message, in which South Carolina is interested...

It is due to the President and ourselves, to correct an error we committed with respect to him.

The House passed the Homestead bill by 65 majority. The Pension and West Point Appropriation bills were passed...

GEORGIA.—A merchant of Charleston who has just been through Upper Georgia...

In Bridgeport, Conn., upwards of 1,000 employees are out of work, and in New Haven, 2,000.

From Washington.

WASHINGTON, December 4.—The Senate met at noon. The President's Message was read.

The Senate, after some further desultory discussion, adjourned. In the House, a long debate in reference to the Message sprang up.

Before the result of the vote was announced, Messrs. Singleton, of Mississippi; Jones, of Georgia; Hawkins, of Florida...

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The antagonism to the North is daily increasing. It is improbable that any public business of importance will be transacted till the all-absorbing question of compromise or secession is settled.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The Committee of Thirty-three, to take into consideration that portion of the President's Message...

Messrs. Boyce, of South Carolina, and Hawkins, of Florida, declined serving on the Committee amid much excitement.

Mr. John Cochrane, of New York, followed in a strong Union speech, and was loudly cheered from the galleries.

Mr. Boyce, of South Carolina, rose to decline pending the vote on a motion for adjournment. The vote was taken, and the Republicans carried it.

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From Mississippi.—New Orleans, December 3.—The Mississippi Legislature adjourned on the 30th ult. They passed unanimously the Convention bill; also, resolutions in favor of secession...

The stay law and non-importation act has been defeated. The elections for the Convention are to be held on the 20th, and the meeting of the Convention takes place on the 7th of January.

The Hon. L. Q. C. Lamar made a great secession speech, advocating separate State action, and the simultaneous adoption by the State of the Federal Constitution.

The Raleigh correspondent of the Charlotte Bulletin, says: "There has been much excitement here during the evening. Hons. Ashmore and Boyce addressed an assemblage at the Yarbrough hotel..."

Each, in speaking of the action of South Carolina, said they had been assured that Georgia, Alabama, Florida, and Mississippi would join in the contest for Southern independence.

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