

THE HUMBOLDT TIMES.

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THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.—In our last we promised to punish our readers with the Governor's message; we have however thought better of the matter and back down, contenting ourselves with the serio-comico-burlesquo *critique* furnished by the *Statesman*.

The Governor complacently informs the Senate and Assembly that "another year with all its trials and hopes, its joys and sorrows, has glided in the *past*, leaving its record as the legacy of the *future*. Harvests have been abundant and health universal, and "all the elements of State greatness greatly augmented." He commends himself highly as a financier, and says his plan, if pursued, will speedily relieve the State of debt, and her citizens of onerous taxation.

STATE INDEBTEDNESS.—According to the Message the total amount of the State indebtedness unprovided for on the 20th December, 1854, was \$1,284,142 23; and that the State indebtedness during the year just preceding, has been reduced by the amount of \$1,717,303 46—leaving the financial condition of the State better than every other in the Union, *except six*.

WAR DEBT.—It alludes to the assumption by Congress of the war debt—returns no thanks for the small favor—and remarks this action is in accordance with the opinion the discerning author has ever entertained on the subject.