FROM St. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Dec. 17.

Col. Titus, of Kansas, arrived here yesterday, with one hundred men, et route for Nicaragua.

The message of John Ross, President of the Cherokee nation, is at hand.

The affairs of the nation are in a prosperous condition. Civilization progresses steadily. Religion and education are r ceiving marked attention. The President strongly urges that provision should be made for the payment of the national debt. He also commends an increase of the school funds; and as a means of accompli-hing these objects, he favors the retrocession of neutral lands. With reference to complaints made against persons connected with the American Board of Missions, for tampering with slavery, the President says that slavery being recognized by the laws of the nation, is entitled to protection, and that the agitation is carried on by citizens of the United States who have no right to interfere with the local affairs of the na tion.