TWENTY-NINTH CONGRESS, First Session.

FRIDAY, July 24, 1846.

IN SENATE.

The journal having been read—

PETITIONS.

Mr. DIX presented a memorial from druggists and physicians of New York, asking that the duty on leeches may not be increased; which was laid on the table.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. JOHNSON, of Louisiana, from the Committee on Pensions, reported back, without amendment, House bills with the following titles:

An act for the relief of Patrick Kelly, senior, of the county of Indiana, State of Pennsylvania.

An act for the relief of Patrick Masterson.

An act for the relief of Ebenezer Conant, of the county of Jefferson, State of New York.

An act for the relief of Lewis Laing.

An act granting a pension to Joseph Duncan.

An act for the relief of Wm. Gump.

Mr. J. also asked that said committee be discharged from the further consideration of the bill for the relief of Samuel R. Reese, and that it be referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs; which was *agreed to*.

Mr. PEARCE, from the Committee on Pensions, reported back, without amendment, House bills with the following titles—viz:

An act for the relief of Mary Phelps.

An act for the relief of Margaret Gwinnup, of Hamilton county, Ohio.

An act for the relief of James Gee.

Mr. PENNYBACKER, from the Committee of Claims, reported, without amendment, the House bill for the relief of John Carr, John Batty, and Samuel Stevenson, seamen on board the whale-ship Margaret.

THE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS.

Mr. ASHLEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the House bill in relation to the payment of claims without amendment, recommending it passage, and moving its immediate consideration.

The motion to take up the above entitled bill was agreed to; and the bill was considered as in committee of the whole, reported back, without amendment, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed.

DUTIES ON JAVA COFFEE.

Mr. EVANS moved that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the (House) "bill to repeal that part of the act of the thirtieth August, eighteen hundred and forty-two, which imposes a duty of twenty per centum ad valorem on Java coffee, and to refund the discriminating tonnage duties levied on Spanish vessels (except those from Cuba and Porto Rico) by the act of the thirtieth July, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, and to prohibit such duties hereafter;" which motion was agreed to.

The Senate, as in committee of the whole, considered the bill, and adopted the following substitute, reported from the Committee on Finance, viz:

That from and after the passage of this act, coffee the production or growth of the colonies or dependencies of the Netherlands, imported into the United States from the Netherlands, either in Dutch or American vessels, shall be admitted free of duty; and so much of the act approved the thirtieth day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-two, entitled "An act to provide revenue from imports, and to change and modify existing laws imposing duties on imports, and for other purposes, as is inconsistent herewith, be, and the same is hereby, repealed

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, authorized and required to refund and pay, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the several persons or parties entitled to the same, the amount of duties levied and collected upon the importations of coffee in American vessels from the Netherlands, the production or growth of the colonies or dependencies of the Netherlands, between the thirtieth day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-two, and the eleventh day of September, eighteen hundred and forty-five.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, authorized and required to refund and pay, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the persons or parties severally entitled to receive the same, the amount of discriminating tonnage duties heretofore levied and collected on Spanish vessels coming from foreign countries (except from Cuba or Porto Rico) under the act approved the thirteenth day of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, entitled "An act concerning tonnage duties on Spanish vessels," and from and after the passage of this act, no discriminating tonnage duties shall be levied on Spanish vessels coming from foreign countries, except those coming from Cuba or Porto Rico.

The bill was then reported to the Senate, the amendment was concurred in, the bill ordered to a third reading, read a third time and *passed*. The title was amended, and passed as follows:

An act to exempt coffee imported from the Netherlands from duty in certain cases, and for other purposes.

MILITARY BOUNTY LAND WARRANTS.

Mr. ALLEN moved that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the bill further to extend the time for locating Virginia military land warrants, and returning surveys to the General Land Office; which motion was *agreed to*.

The bill was considered as in committee of the whole, reported back without amendment, ordered to a third reading, read a third time, and *passed*.

LOST TREASURY NOTES.

On motion of Mr. EVANS, the Senate proceeded, as in committee of the whole, to the consideration of the "bill to provide for the payment of the evidences of public debt in certain cases."

Mr. E. moved an amendment to the bill, by the addition of a section repealing the 5th section of the "bill to authorize the issue of treasury notes, and a loan," passed a few days since, which section, Mr. E. said, provided imperfectly for the same object which the bill is designed to accomplish.

The question was taken on the amendment, and it was *agreed to*: the bill was reported to the Senate as amended, the amendment concurred in, the bill ordered to a third reading, and, by unanimous consent, read a third time, and *passed*.

HARBOR AND RIVER APPROPRIATIONS.

Mr. DIX moved that the Senate resume the consideration of the harbor and river appropriation bill.

Mr. RUSK expressed the hope that the bill authorizing the President to increase the naval force of the United States by adding thereto the naval establishment of Texas, would be taken up and disposed of.

Mr. WESTCOTT expressed a desire to get up the bill for the admission of Iowa into the Union.

The question being first upon taking up the motion by Mr. DIX, the yeas and nays were taken, and decided in the *affirmative*, by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Allen, Archer, Ashley, Atchison, Barrow, Benton, Berrien, Breese, Bright, Cameron, Cass, Cilley, John M. Clayton, Thomas Clayton, Corwin, Davis, Dayton, Dickinson, Dix, Evans, Greene, Hannegan, Huntington, Jarnagin, Johnson of Louisiana, Miller, Morehead, Pearce, Phelps, Semple, Simmons, Speight, Sturgeon, Upham, and Woodbridge—35.

NAYS—Messrs. Atherton, Bagby, Chalmers, Fairfield, Houston, Lewis, McDuffie, Mangum, Pennybacker, Rusk, Sevier, Turney, Westcott, and Yulee—14.

The bill was then considered as in committee of the whole.

Mr. JARNAGIN submitted the following amendment:

"For the improvement and continuation of the canal around the Muscle shoals, in the Tennessee river, and removing obstructions in said river above said shoals, $100,000, to be expended under the direction of the War Department."

Upon the question on the adoption of this amendment, Mr. J. demanded the yeas and nays; which were ordered, and, being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Archer, Atchison, Barrow, Breese, Chalmers, Crittenden, Evans, Houston, Jarnagin, Johnson of Louisiana, Rusk, Turney, and Westcott—13.

NAYS—Messrs. Allen, Ashley, Atherton, Bagby, Benton, Bright, Cass, Cilley, Thomas Clayton, John M. Clayton, Corwin, Davis, Dayton, Dickinson, Dix, Fairfield, Greene, Hannegan, Haywood, Johnson of Maryland, Lewis, McDuffie, Mangum, Miller, Morehead, Niles, Pearce, Pennybacker, Phelps, Semple, Sevier, Speight, Sturgeon, Upham, and Woodbridge—16.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

By unanimous consent, the bill was then read a third time and *passed*, in the precise terms in which it was reported to the Senate from the House of Representatives.

THE TARIFF.

The Senate then resumed the consideration of the bill to reduce the duties on imports, and for other purposes."

Mr. SIMMONS proceeded with and concluded his remarks in opposition to the bill; and having taken his seat,

Mr. WEBSTER arose to address the Senate; but gave way to

Mr. HAYWOOD, who moved that the Senate proceed to the consideration of executive business; which motion was agreed to.

The Senate thereupon went into executive session, and after some time spent therein,

Adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The SPEAKER announced the unfinished business to be as follows:

INDIANS IN TEXAS.

The following letter having been laid before the House yesterday by the Speaker—

To the honorable the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

On my arrival in this city last evening, I learned that the amount expended by the commissioners appointed by the President to negotiate a treaty with the Comanche and other wild tribes of Indians has been the subject of animadversion in both houses of Congress. I desire to avoid no responsibility for any act of mine, public or private. But I have a right to ask that the facts shall be known before I am made the subject of censure. I therefore have the honor to request that the whole subject may be referred to a committee, with power to send for persons and papers.

I am prepared to account for every dollar which has passed through my hands, and I hope also to show that my expenditures were necessary and proper.

I have the honor to be,
Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
P. M. BUTLER.

WASHINGTON, July 23, 1846.

Mr. BURT (leave having been denied) had moved a suspension of the rules to enable him to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee of five members be appointed to inquire and report as to the legality and propriety of the expenditures of Messrs. Butler and Lewis, commissioners to the Cumanche and other Indian tribes; and that the committee have power to send for persons and papers.

Pending which motion the House had adjourned.

The question therefore now recurred, "Shall the rules be suspended" for the purpose of the introduction of the said resolution?

The SPEAKER said that when the question of order was raised on the resolution last evening, the Chair had decided that it could not be entertained without a suspension of the rules; but on reflection, the chair was of opinion that inasmuch as the resolution contemplated only a motion which was incident to the letter itself, then before the House, it might be received without a suspension of the rules.

The resolution being thus before the House, and the question being on its adoption,

Mr. BOWLIN asked the yeas and nays; which were ordered, and, being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Abbott, Barringer, Bayly, Bedinger, Bell, Blanchard, Boyd, Brinkerhoff, Brodhead, W. G. Brown, Burt, William W. Campbell, J. H. Campbell, Clarke, Cobb, Cranston, Crozier, Cullom, Culver, Daniel, Garrett Davis, De Mott, Dockery, Douglass, Dunlap, Foot, Garvin, Giles, Graham, Grider, Grinnell, Harper, Hilliard, Elias B. Holmes, G. S. Houston, Samuel D. Hubbard, Hungerford, Hunter, Charles J. Ingersoll, Joseph R. Ingersoll, Andrew Johnson, Kaufman, Daniel P. King, Thomas Butler King, Leake, La Sere, Lewis, Lumpkin, McClelland, McClernand, McConnell, Joseph J. McDowell, McHenry, Barclay Martin, Pendleton, Pettit, Pillsbury, Pollock, Ramsey, Reife, Rhett, Roberts, Julius Rockwell, Runk, Scammon, Seaman, Severance, Alexander D. Sims, Leonard H. Sims, Truman Smith, Albert Smith, Caleb B. Smith, Stanton, Starkweather, Stephens, St. John, Strohm, Thomasson, Benjamin Thompson, Jacob Thompson, Thurman, Tibbatts, Tilden, Tredway, Trumbo, Vinton, White, Wick, Woodward, Woodworth, and Young—91.

NAYS—Messrs. Stephen Adams, Bowlin, Chipman, Dargan, Dromgoole, Edsall, Erdman, Ficklin, Foster, Goodyear, Gordon, Hamlin, Henley, John W. Houston, James B. Hunt, Jenkins, James H. Johnson, George W. Jones, Seaborn Jones, Preston King, Lawrence, Long, McLean, McGaughey, Marsh, Morris, Morse, Moseley, Norris, Parish, Phelps, Rathbun, Reid, Ritter, Sawyer, Vance, Wheaton, and Williams—38.

So the resolution was *adopted*.

Mr. BOWLIN, in connexion with the same subject, and on leave given, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the select committee, in the execution of the commission under the resolution to examine into the expenditures relative to the commissioners to the Cumanche indians, shall not send for persons beyond the District of Columbia, but in lieu thereof shall receive such affidavits as the commissioners may procure to be taken, and certified by any judicial officer; nor shall said committee sit during the vacation between the two sessions of Congress.

Mr. HOPKINS, remarking that this resolution would in effect operate as a revocation of the original resolution, moved the amendment which follows. The resolution which had been adopted amounted to nothing at this late period of the session unless authority was given to the committee to sit during the recess:

Strike out the words, "nor shall said committee sit during the vacation between the two sessions of Congress."

Mr. G. S. HOUSTON suggested to Mr. BOWLIN so to modify his resolution as to remove the restriction which it imposed on the testimony to be taken, and which, if not modified, would operate to the prejudice to the government. If this was not done, he thought that the resolution should be voted down, or that the vote adopting the original resolution should be reconsidered.

Some conversation followed between Messrs. P. KING, BURT, and HOPKINS as to the powers which the resolution conferred on the committee.

The SPEAKER, by consent, laid before the House the following communication which, the Speaker said, he had just received:

To the honorable the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

I have just learned that Governor Butler has made application for an investigation into the expenditures of our mission to the prairie Indians in consequence of some animadversions upon them in both houses of Congress. I was absent when this application was made, or I would have joined in it most heartily. I hope I will be included in it now. I feel fully prepared to account for and to justify the expenditure of every dollar from the beginning to the end of the mission as far as I am concerned.

With great haste,
Your obedient servant,
M. G. LEWIS.

After some explanations and suggestions by Messrs. McKAY, DROMGOOLE, and BURT,

A motion, which had been intimated by Mr. BRODHEAD, to reconsider the vote by which the original resolution had been adopted, came up.

The previous question was demanded and seconded.

The main question was ordered, and, being taken, the vote was reconsidered.

The question then recurring on the adoption of the said original resolution,

Mr. G. W. JONES moved that the whole subject be laid on the table.

The question having been taken and decided in the affirmative,

The whole subject was laid on the table.

PRIVATE.

On motion of Mr. McCLELLAND, ordered that leave be given to withdraw the papers in the case of Henry Disbrow.

THE HOUR OF ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BOYD rose and asked leave to submit a motion to which, he said, he hoped there would be no objection.

The joint resolution which had passed both houses, providing for the adjournment of Congress on Monday, the 10th day of August, had not specified the *hour* at which the adjournment should take place. The result might probably be that the two houses would remain in session all night. To obviate this state of things, for which there was no sort of necessity, he would move that the hour at which the two houses would adjourn should be *twelve meridian*.

The motion (having taken the form of a joint resolution) was agreed to *nem. con.*

NAVAL PENSION BILL.

The SPEAKER, by consent, laid before the House a message from the Senate informing the House that that body had passed the bill making appropriations for naval pensions, with an amendment appropriating $3,000 for the payment of invalid pensioners, which, prior to 1844, had been paid from the private pension fund.

Mr. McKAY moved the reference of the bill to the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union.

Mr. KING, of Massachusetts, moved that the House concur in the amendment of the Senate.

The SPEAKER said, that inasmuch as the amendment involved an appropriation, the bill must be committed.

Whereupon the bill was committed to the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union.

THE WAR WITH MEXICO.

Mr. J. R. INGERSOLL moved a suspensions of the rules, to enable him to offer the resolutions which he had yesterday offered, but which were not then received, and which are as follows:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That at this period, and under circumstances, when no liability exists to misconstruction of the measure or danger of impeachment of the motives which induce it, a reasonable effort should be made, consistently with national dignity and honor, for the restoration of peace between the republic of the United States and that of Mexico.

And be it further resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives respectfully recommend to the President that he offer, if in his judgment it be expedient, to open with Mexico a negotiation for the purpose of closing the present war, of stopping the effusion of human blood, and of providing a permanent and satisfactory arrangement of all subsisting differences.

And be it further resolved, That the offer now recommended cannot fail to produce (whatever may be its reception and immediate effect) ultimate consequences alike honorable to the country and beneficial to the cause of justice. If accepted in a spirit corresponding with that which prompts it, this nation will be restored to its natural progressive course of prosperity and happiness, and will secure to itself a sentiment of universal good will. If refused, from whatever cause the refusal may arise, the nation which assumes a responsibility so full of threatened wretchedness will deprive itself of every claim to the sympathies of the world; and this government and country will assume a position so lofty and so firm, that humanity itself will sanction a necessary continuance of the ravages of war.

And be it further resolved, That no impediment exists to a communication with the government of Mexico, by reason either of hostilities between the two countries, or a disturbed state of public affairs in one of them. Intercourse may be opened, if necessary, from army to army, even at the point of the bayonet, or, with better hopes, through the amicable agency of a friendly foreign power.

Mr. I. asked the yeas and nays on the motion, which were ordered; and, being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Abbott, Arnold, Ashmun, Blanchard, Brodhead, Buffington, William W. Campbell, John H. Campbell, Cranston, Crozier, Culver, Garrett Davis, Dixon, J. H. Ewing, Foot, Grider, Grinnell, Hampton, Harper, Hilliard, Elias B. Holmes, John W. Houston, Samuel D. Hubbard, Hudson, Joseph R. Ingersoll, Daniel P. King, Thomas B. King, Lewis, Long, McGaughey, Marsh, Pendleton, Pollock, Ramsey, Runk, Seaman, Seddon, Severance, Albert Smith, C. B. Smith, Stephens, Strohm, Sykes, Thibodeaux, Thomasson, Benjamin Thompson, Tilden, Trumbo, Vance, Vinton, White, Winthrop, Woodruff, and Young—54.

NAYS—Messrs. Stephen Adams, Anderson, Bayly, Bedinger, Bell, Benton, James Black, James A Black, Bowlin, Brinkerhoff, William G. Brown, Burt, Cathcart, Chipman, Clarke, Cobb, Cullom, Cunningham, Daniel, De Mott, Dillingham, Douglass, Dromgoole, Dunlap, Edsall, Ellsworth, Erdman, Ficklin, Fries, Garvin, Goodyear, Gordon, Graham, Grover, Hamlin, Henley, Hoge, Hopkins, Geo. S. Houston, Edmund W. Hubard, Hungerford, James B. Hunt, Charles J. Ingersoll, Jenkins, James H. Johnson, Andrew Johnson, George W. Jones, Seaborn Jones, Kaufman, Preston King, Lawrence, Leake, Ligon, Lumpkin, Maclay, McClean, McClernand, McConnell, McCrate, Joseph J. McDowell, McHenry, McKay, Barclay Martin, Morris, Morse, Norris, Parish, Perrill, Pettit, Phelps, Pillsbury, Rathbun, Reid, Rhett, Ritter, Roberts, Sawyer, Scammon, Alexander D. Sims, Leonard H. Sims, Simpson, Stanton, Starkweather, St. John, James Thompson, Jacob Thompson, Tibbatts, Tredway, Wentworth, Wheaton, Wick, Williams, Woodward, Woodworth, and Yost—96.

So the rules were *not* suspended, and the resolutions were *not* received.

The SPEAKER announced the regular order of business to be the call of the committees for reports.

Mr. SEAMAN moved that the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union.

The motion was *rejected*.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

The SPEAKER proceeded to call the committees in their order for reports.

Mr. CATHCART, from the committee on Indian Affairs, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled "an act to allow Elijah White additional compensation for services and reimbursement of expenses incurred by him as acting sub-agent of Indian affairs west of the Rocky mountains," reported the same without amendment. Ordered to be committed.

Mr. C., also, from the same committee, reported a bill for the relief of certain Miami Indians: read and committed.

Mr. FOOT, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, to which was referred the resolution from the Senate to authorize the President to sanction an agreement made between the Wyandotts and Delawares for the purchase of certain lands by the former of the latter tribe of Indians, reported the same without amendment, and with a recommendation that it do not pass. The resolution was rejected.

Mr. ISAAC E. HOLMES, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled "an act for the relief of Thomas Brownell," reported the same without amendment, and with a recommendation that it do not pass; and the bill was rejected.

Mr. JACOB THOMPSON, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported a joint resolution to authorize the Secretary of War to adjudicate the claims of the Su-quah-natch-at and other claims of Choctaw Indians, whose cases were left undetermined by the commissioners for the war. of the township maps; which was read three times and passed.

Mr. ISAAC E. HOLMES, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported, without amendment, Senate bills of the following titles, viz.: "An act for the relief of Ebenezer Ballard;" "An act for the relief of James Lowe;" "An act for the relief of Harriet Ward:" ordered to be committed.

Mr. C. J. INGERSOLL, from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled "An act for the relief of the personal representatives of William A. Slacum, deceased," reported the same without amendment: ordered to be committed.

On motion of Mr. G. S. HOUSTON, ordered, that the Committee of Ways and Means be discharged from the consideration of the petition of the "Board of County Commissioners of Dubuque county, Iowa, for the reimbursement of certain sums of money," and that it be laid upon the table.

Mr. J. R. INGERSOLL, from the Committee of Ways and Means, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled "An act for the relief of R. and B. Kidd," reported the same without amendment: ordered to be committed.

Mr. SAWYER, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled "An act to authorize the transportation of goods, wares, and merchandise through the Indian territories," reported the same without amendment, and with a recommendation that it do not pass; which bill was rejected.

Mr. BENTON, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled "An act to provide for the final settlement of the accounts of Jno. Crowell, late agent for the Creek Indians," reported the same with an amendment: ordered to committed.

On motion of Mr. DROMGOOLE, ordered that the Committee of Ways and Means be discharged from the consideration of the petitions of sundry citizens and societies in the cities of Baltimore, Philadelphia, Boston, and New York, remonstrating against any alteration in the present tariff laws; and that they be laid on the table.

Mr. DANIEL, from the Committee of Claims, reported, without amendment, Senate bills of the following titles, viz:

An act for the relief of J. Throckmorton.

An act for the relief of Peter Von Smichdt.

An act for the relief of Walter Lovaris and Abel Gray.

Mr. JOHN A. ROCKWELL, from the same committee, reported bills of the following titles—viz:

A bill for the relief of Mathew Stewart;

A bill for the relief of B. O. Taloe;

Accompanied by a report in each case. Read twice, and committed.

Mr. LUMPKIN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled "An act for the relief of Abraham B. Fannin," reported the same without amendment: read three times and passed.

Mr. RATHBUN, from the same committee, reported, without amendment, the following Senate bill; which was read three times and passed: "An act giving the assent of Congress to a change of the compact entered into between the United States and the State of Arkansas on her admission into the Union."

Mr. GORDON, from the Committee of Claims, made adverse reports upon the petitions of Ruth Freeman, and of Harry Parke: laid upon the table.

Mr. CRANSTON, from the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads, to which was referred the resolution from the Senate in favor of David Shaw, reported the same without amendment: ordered to be committed.

Mr. McHENRY, from the Committee on the District of Columbia, reported "A bill supplementary to the act passed on the 20th day of February, 1846, entitled "An act to enlarge the powers of the several orphans' courts held in and for the District of Columbia:" read three times and passed.

Mr. JOHN A. ROCKWELL, from the Committee of Claims, reported a bill for the relief of Robert Roberts, accompanied by a report in writing: read twice and committed.

Mr. RATHBUN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, without amendment, the following Senate bills, viz:

An act for the relief of Harriet L. Catchings.

An act for the relief of Richard S. Coxe.

An act for the relief of Peter Capella; and with a recommendation that it do not pass; which bill was rejected.

Ordered that the two former be committed.

Mr. W. W. CAMPBELL, from the Joint Committee on the Library, to which was referred the memorial of Mr. Catlin for the purchase of his gallery of Indian collections of paintings, made a report thereon, and recommended an amendment to the bill of the House "To establish the Smithsonian institution for the increase and diffusion of knowledge among men," providing for the purchase of said gallery of Indian collections of paintings; which report was laid upon the table.

COMMUTATION FOR STATIONERY.

Mr. KING, of Massachusetts, from the Committee on Accounts, reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That in lieu of all allowance for stationery except envelopes and envelope paper, and ink, wafers, and sand for the desks in the hall, the clerk of this House be directed to pay out of the contingent fund to each member of the House thirty dollars during the long session, and fifteen dollars during the short session of each Congress; this regulation to commence with the next Congress.

Mr. DROMGOOLE moved that the resolution be laid on the table.

On which motion no quorum voted.

Mr. McKAY asked the yeas and nays, which were ordered; and, being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. John Quincy Adams, Stephen Adams, Arnold, Barringer, Bayly, Bell, Benton, James Black, Jas. A. Black, Blanchard, Bowlin, Milton Brown, William G. Brown, Buffington, Cathcart, Chipman, Constable, Crozier, Cullom, Cunningham, DeMott, Dixon, Dockery, Douglass, Dromgoole, Erdman, Ficklin, Foot, Garvin, Giles, Goodyear, Grider, Grover, Hampton, Henley, Hilliard, Hoge, John W. Houston, George S. Houston, Samuel D Hubbard, Hudson, Hungerford, James B. Hunt, Charles J. Ingersoll, Joseph R. Ingersoll, George W. Jones, Seaborn Jones, Kaufman, Preston King, Lawrence, Leib, Lewis, Long, Lumpkin, McClernand, McConnell, McGaughey, McHenry, McKay, Marsh, Barclay Martin, Miller, Morris, Parish, Payne, Pendleton, Perrill, Phelps, Pillsbury, Pollock, Ramsey, Reid, Reife, Ritter, Roberts, Julius Rockwell, John A. Rockwell, Sawyer, Seddon, Simpson, Albert Smith, Thomas Smith, Starkweather, Stephens, Strohm, Sykes, Benjamin Thompson, James Thompson, Jacob Thompson, Tibbatts, Tilden, Trumbo, Vance, Wheaton, Wick, Winthrop, Woodruff, Woodward, Young and Yost—100.

NAYS—Messrs. Abbott, Ashmun, Boyd, Brinkerhoff, Brodhead, Burt, William W. Campbell, Clarke, Cobb, Cranston, Culver, Daniel, Garrett Davis, Dillingham, Dunlap, John H. Ewing, Gordon, Grinnell, Hamlin, Elias B. Holmes, Isaac E. Holmes, Hopkins, Jenkins, Andrew Johnson, Daniel P. King, Thos. Butler King, Maclay, McClean, McClelland, McCrate, Joseph J. McDowell, James McDowell, Morse, Norris, Rathbun, Sawtelle, Severance, Leonard H. Sims, Truman Smith, Thomasson, Tredway, Vinton, White, Williams, and Wood—45.

So the resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. BENTON moved a reconsideration of the vote.

And the question being taken, the vote was *not* reconsidered.

THE WAREHOUSING SYSTEM.

Mr. McCLELLAND, from the Committee on Commerce, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to provide revenue from imports, and to change and modify existing laws imposing duties on imports, and for other purposes," reported the same with an amendment to the title of said bill, by inserting after the word "act," when it first occurs therein, the words "to establish a warehousing system, and," so that the said title will read, "An act to establish a warehousing system, and to amend an act entitled an act to provide revenue from imports, and to change and modify existing laws imposing duties on imports, and for other purposes;" which amendment was agreed to.

Mr. T. B. KING moved that the bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union.

Mr. McCLELLAND opposed the motion, and expressed his desire that the bill remain on the Speaker's table, that a majority might at any time control it. If it went at this late period of the session to the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, the probability was it would never come out. This was probably the only bill that could be passed. It was almost word for word the same as that which had been introduced into the House by the Committee on Commerce. The only material difference was in relation to the limit as to the time of warehousing the goods.

He gave notice that he would call the bill up on Monday, unless some good reason should be assigned for deferring its consideration beyond that day. If the motion to commit should be persisted in, he would feel constrained to call for the yeas and nays.

Mr. WINTHROP briefly sustained the motion to commit, declaring himself in favor of the principle of the bill, but contending that a majority would retain control over it by the usual means of a resolution to terminate debate at a stated time.

Some suggestions were made, the result of which was that—

Mr. KING, of Georgia, modified his motion so as to add that the bill be made the special order of the day for Monday next.

Mr. DROMGOOLE adverted to the proper and usual course of parliamentary proceeding in such cases, and preferred that the House should first decide whether the bill should be committed or not.

Mr. I. E. HOLMES, referring to the importance of acting upon the bill at this session, demanded the previous question.

[The motion would cut off the motion to commit.]

The demand for the previous question was withdrawn for the moment at the request of—

Mr. McCLELLAND, who replied to the parliamentary objections of Mr. DROMGOOLE, and stated that in the motion he (Mr. McC.) had submitted, he had only conformed to the instructions of the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. McC., in redemption of his pledge to that effect, renewed the demand for the previous question.

When, on motion Mr. G. S. HOUSTON, the further consideration of the bill was postponed to Monday next.

THE PRIVATE CALENDAR.

On motion of Mr. DANIEL, the House passed to the regular orders of the day, being the consideration of private business.

The following bills were read a third time and passed:

A bill for the relief of Frances Martin;

A bill for the relief of Silas Waterman, of Vt.;

A bill for the relief of Electia H. Holmes;

A bill for the relief of Gregory Thomas and others.

The bills on the Speaker's table, on which the question of engrossment was pending, having been disposed of.

Mr. DANIEL, chairman of the Committee of Claims, said he had come to the conclusion from conversation with the chairman and members of the Committee of Claims in the Senate, that it was not likely that any bill of the House passed at this late period would receive the action of the Senate. He should not therefore after they went into Committee of the Whole, insist upon calling up any bill except those from the Senate. If any gentleman, however, having the charge of any private claim wished to bring it up at the risk of its being lost in the Senate, he should interpose no objection. He would further remark, that this being a day when, under the rule, objections being made to any bill threw it over, he would move the suspension of that rule for to-day. The rule is as follows:

"On the first and fourth Friday of each month, the calendar of private bills shall be called over, and the bills to the passage of which no objection shall then be made, shall be first considered and disposed of."

Some conversation ensued between Messrs. ROCKWELL, of Conn., and DANIEL.

The question being taken, the House refused to suspend the rule.

The House then, on motion of Mr. DANIEL, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, [Mr. HUNGERFORD, of N. Y., in the chair,] for the consideration of private bills.

The conversation was resumed by several gentlemen as to the manner in which they should proceed.

It was finally agreed that the calendar should be called over in order from its commencement.

Many bills were objected to. But the following were laid aside to be reported:

A joint resolution authorizing and directing the examination and settlement of the claims of Alexander M. Cumming.

A bill to increase the pension of Roswell Hale.

A bill for the relief of Joshua Shaw.

A bill for the relief of Frederick Hopkins.

A bill directing the mode of settling the claims of Charles G. Ridgeley.

A bill for the relief of Josiah Haskell.

A bill for the relief of Alvin C. Goell, and for other purposes.

An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Pierre Menard, Josiah T. Betts, Jacob Fearman, and Edmund Roberts, of the State of Illinois, sureties of Felix St. Vrain, late Indian agent, deceased.

A bill for the relief of Job Hawkins.

A bill for the relief of Jacob L. Vance.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of John Whitsitt, deceased, late of Lafayette county, Missouri.

A resolution for the relief of Wm. B. Stokes, surviving partner of John N. C. Stockton & Company.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Tarlton Woodson, deceased.

A bill for the relief of Wm. J. Price.

A bill for the relief of Joseph and Lindsey Ward, of Wisconsin Territory.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Sergeant Major John Champe.

A bill for the relief of Zachariah Simmons, of the State of Tennessee.

A bill for the relief of Doctor Clark Lillybridge.

A bill for the relief of W. P. S. Sanger and Geo. F. De Roche.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Gen. Thomas Sumter, late of South Carolina, deceased.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Lot Hall, deceased.

A bill for the relief of the legal representatives of Thomas Shields, deceased.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of John Speakman, deceased.

A bill authorizing the issue of patents to George Ramey, and Thomas F. January, for certain lands entered in the county of St. Louis, State of Missouri.

A bill for the relief of Julius Eldred, Elisha Eldred, and Francis E. Eldred, for expenses and services in removing the copper rock from Lake Superior.

A bill in relation to the Wyandot lands in the State of Ohio.

A bill for the relief of Elizabeth Converse, widow af Josiah Converse.

A bill for the relief of George B. Russell, and others.

A bill for the relief of the legal representatives of the late Joseph E. Primeau and Thomas J. Chapman.

A bill for the relief of the legal representatives of James H. Clark.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Silas Duncan, deceased.

A bill for the relief of Susan Brum.

A bill for the relief of Anna Griffin, of the county of Wyoming, State of New York.

A bill for the relief of Thomas Crown.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Gassaway Watkins, an officer of the Maryland continental line in the war of the revolution.

A bill for the relief of the widow and heirs of Jno. B. Chaudonia.

A bill for the relief of Isaac Guess.

A bill for the relief of William Causey.

A bill for the relief of Wilfred Knott.

An act for the relief of Amos Kendall.

A bill for the relief of James Williams.

A bill for the relief of Bernard O'Neil.

An act for the relief of Mrs. Pike, widow of the late General Pike.

A resolution for the relief of Putney and Riddle.

A bill for the relief of John Pickett and others.

A joint resolution for the relief of the heirs of Stephen Johnson, deceased.

A bill for the relief of the assignees of the late Bank of Alexandria.

A bill for the relief of the administrators of Joseph Edson, deceased, late marshal of the district of Vermont.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Hyacinth Lasselle.

A bill for the relief of John A. Bryan.

A bill for the relief of David Myerle.

A joint resolution for the relief of Purser G. R. Barry.

A bill for the relief of Elizabeth Adams.

A bill for the relief of Thomas M. Newell.

A bill for the relief of Henry La Reintree.

An act for the relief of John Keith, of New York.

A bill for the relief of Harvey Reynolds.

A bill for the relief of Catharine Stevenson.

A bill for the relief of Edith Ramey.

A bill for the relief of Ann Clayton.

A bill granting a pension to Silas Chatfield.

A bill for the relief of John C. Stewart and others.

A bill for the relief of the legal representatives of John Lawson, deceased.

A bill to provide for the final settlement of the accounts of John Spencer, late receiver of public moneys at Fort Wayne, Indiana.

A bill for the relief of Benjamin Metoyer and Francois Gaiennie, deceased.

A bill for the relief of the widow of Elijah Bragdon, deceased.

An act for the relief of Nathaniel Phillips.

A bill for the relief of Lewis C. Sartori.

A bill for the relief of James H. Conley.

A bill for the relief of William T. Walthall.

An act granting a pension to Richard Eliot.

A bill for the relief of Elizabeth Fitch.

A bill for the relief of Thankful Reynolds.

A bill for the relief of Elizabeth Calkins, the widow of Silas Winans.

A bill for the relief of Jonathan Hoyt.

A bill for the relief of John Van Slyck.

A bill for the relief of Harrison Whitson.

A bill to provide for the final settlement of the accounts of John Crowell, late agent for the Creek Indians.

A bill for the relief of Ebenezer Ballard.

A bill for the relief of James Low.

A bill for the relief of Richard Kidd and Benjamin Kidd.

A bill for the relief of Henry Etting.

A bill for the relief of Harriet Ward.

A bill for the relief of John Jones, surviving partner of John Jones and Charles Souder.

The committee then rose and reported the said bills,

And the House adjourned.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE UNION.

SIR: At the close of the third paragraph of some remarks of mine, reported in this morning's Union, your compositor has substituted the word "economy" for "extravagance." The sentence should read:

"The sole question ought to be, for what salary, as a general rule, are we likely to obtain the grade of capacity required to fill a given office. That amount we ought to vote for; not less, for that would be false and miserable economy; not more, for that would be wasteful extravagance."

In the paragraph preceding the above, after the word "private," the word "practice" is required, to give the sense of what I said.

Your insertion of the above will oblige, sir, your obedient servant,

ROBERT DALE OWEN.

LOTS OF FUN AT APOLLO HALL.

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