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THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 1871.

Mr. Blackman: I renew my motion to lay the substitute on the table. I say that the bill that comes nearest doing justice to all the people of the State is the one which is based on the census of 1850.

It is presumed that the officers of the law did their duty; it is presumed that good and competent officers were appointed by the United States Marshal to perform this important duty, and that they have discharged it honorably and lawfully.

I say that if you pass this substitute you certainly violate the constitution, because you deprive certain portions of the State of the right to increased representation under those census returns.

Mr. Lynch: The Senator says that this apportionment ought to have been made in accordance with the population; I agree with him as far as that is concerned, but when he says that the census which has just been taken is correct, I know that it is not so, so far as that portion of the State from whence I come is concerned.

Mr. Blackman: I shall read again the article of the constitution I have quoted, which strikes me as being very plain and guided by it.

It would be our misfortune, as the gentleman says, if I did not read the constitution at all, wherever they have tried to do their duty; but where they have neglected their duty entirely, then we have nothing to do with it.

Mr. Blackman: I shall read again the article of the constitution I have quoted, which strikes me as being very plain and guided by it.

It is true that it is a great misfortune to the people of the State that we are in this position, but we shall take the position which is proposed by the Senator from Carroll, a demand could simply be made upon us by any Senator to increase the representation of his district.

I state again, that the bill which should be passed, is the one reported by the committee. They have made a report from the returns of the United States Marshal, which were handed to them.

pointed out, and let us amend it to that extent. That committee has given more time and attention to the matter than we have given it.

Mr. Lynch: The Senator from Claiborne is in error in stating that the bill reported is the bill reported by the committee appointed by the respective houses.

I claim that in parishes of the State where no census was taken at all, we must avail ourselves of the best information we can get as to the population of those parishes.

Mr. Blackman: The Senator from Claiborne seems to be very desirous of conforming to the requirements of the constitution, and I believe that he will make an amendment that is emphatically correct by every Senator on this floor—that is, that the census, as returned by the marshal, is grossly inaccurate.

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thereof. After being read, on motion of Mr. Ullman, of Orleans, it was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. H. Lott, of Rapides: I move a reconsideration of the vote of the House on this bill, with a view to referring it to the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Brown, of Assension, introduced a bill enabling parties claiming land by prescription to apply to district courts for redress, and which it referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Carter, of Cameron: It ought to be referred to the Committee on Public and Private Lands.

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and reading of the Mississippi and Atlantic Ship and Canal Company bill, moved its reference to the Committee on Public Lands and Levees.

Mr. Quinn, of Orleans, in amendment, moved its reference to the Committee on Canals and Drainage.

Mr. Barrett, of Orleans, moved an adjournment until twelve o'clock to-morrow.

Mr. Matthews, of Tensas, moved that the speaker order the bill to be postponed fifteen minutes. No objection being offered, it was so ordered.

Mr. Harper, of St. Charles, moved an adjournment. By vote of 49 to 37 the House refused to adjourn.

The time having arrived for the special order of the day, it was called up.

Mr. Souer, of Avoyelles, offered a resolution referring the different portions of the Governor's message to the appropriate standing committees.

Mr. Garstkauf, of Jefferson, offered an amendment to the resolution, in the proviso relating to the Metropolitan Police be referred to the Police Committee.

On motion of Mr. Devoes, of De So, the House adjourned at 1:50 P. M. until to-morrow at 12 M.

The following are the remarks of Mr. Stevens, of Jackson, on the apportionment bill, yesterday.

AUCTION SALES. By Nash & Hodgson. TWO-STORY FRAME RESIDENCE, No. 10 POLYKMA STREET, BETWEEN PRYTHANIA AND COLISEUM STREETS.

SUCCESSOR OF GEORGE W. HUNTINGTON. Second District Court—No. 23,357.

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FIVE SPLENDID LOTS OF GROUND ON CANAL STREET, ADJOINING ST. PATRICK'S CEMETERY, AND TWENTY-FOUR LOTS OF GROUND IN THE THIRD DISTRICT, SUITABLE FOR GARDENS.

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