

know whether it was his opinion that there should be war. He unhesitatingly declared his opinion to be that there would be war. But it was continually urged by Senators on the other side that it was better to yield our rights than to come into collision with Great Britain. The Senator from Massachusetts had said let us keep dark.

Mr. Webster. The Senator misrepresents me, unintentionally I am sure. What I said was, that it appeared to me wiser to go on quietly, steadily, effectually, and make all necessary appropriations, than to spread abroad the idea of impending danger. I said nothing about keeping dark; that existed only in the Senator's misunderstanding.

The debate was further continued by Messrs. Sever, Barrin, Allen, J. M. Clayton, Breese, and Woodbridge.

### Congressional.

29th Congress—1st Session.

#### SENATE.

Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1845.

The Journal of yesterday having been read—

Mr. Webster rose and said:

Mr. President, by this morning's mail I have received memorials, signed by several thousand of our fellow-citizens, against the admission of Texas as a slave State. The bill for her admission passed the Senate yesterday. These memorials, therefore, are a little too late for Texas, but they may do for Cuba. I pray leave, therefore, to present them to the Senate.

The memorials were received, and laid on the table.

Mr. Westcott presented a memorial from the Legislature of Florida, asking for the appointment of a board of commissioners to ascertain losses of citizens of Florida for which the United States should make remuneration in the Seminole war.

The reference of different portions of the President's message to the several committees was continued from last Thursday, and concluded.

**PETITIONS PRESENTED.**  
By Mr. Breese: A petition from John C. Brown and others, praying the establishment of a mail route from Cairo to Belleville, Illinois.

Also, the petition of Emeline Owens, widow of the late Col. J. T. Owens, asking relief for losses sustained by her from the ravages of the United States soldiers during the Black Hawk war in 1832.

By Mr. Cass: The memorial of John Crowell, late Indian agent of the Creek nation, asking further allowances in the settlement of his accounts.

By Mr. Westcott: The petition of Archibald Smith, of Florida, for the remuneration of damages sustained in consequence of a suit against him by the United States.

Also, the petition of Col. Robert Butler, of Tallahassee, for the remuneration of private property applied to public uses.

Also, the petition of Mrs. Susan McCullough for a pension.

By Mr. Barrow: The petition of A. M. Gray and others, praying the confirmation of land claims in the State of Louisiana.

By Mr. Davis: The petition of Chas. Fletcher, of Lancaster, for a mail route to the Pacific Ocean.

By Mr. Sturgeon: The memorial of Henry Etting, a purser in the navy, praying to be indemnified for expenses and losses incurred in a suit against the Commercial Bank of New Orleans for the recovery of the public moneys deposited in said bank.

By Mr. Benton: A petition of David D. Porter, praying for a pension for Mrs. Eveline Porter, the widow of the late Com. David Porter.

By Mr. Lewis: A petition of C. G. Guter, praying that the title to a Creek reservation may be vested in him.

By Mr. Dix: The petition of Daniel R. Baker, a soldier in the last war, asking a pension.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. Niles it was resolved, That the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to report a bill providing for conveying the United States mail to and within the State of Texas, so far as in their judgment the public interest may require.

On motion of Mr. Breese, it was ordered, That 5,000 extra copies of the report of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, besides the number already ordered, be printed, without the maps, for the use of the Senate.

On motion, it was ordered that when the Senate adjourn it adjourn to meet on Saturday next.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Louisiana,

Resolved, That the Committee on Pensions be instructed to inquire into the expediency of passing an act to continue the office of Commissioners of Pensions.

On motion of Mr. Cass,

Resolved, That the Committee on Commerce be instructed to inquire into the expediency making an appropriation for the purpose of deepening the channel over the flats at the mouth of the river St. Clair, in the State of Michigan.

On motion of Mr. Haywood,

Resolved, That the Committee on Commerce be instructed to report to the Senate a bill for extending the revenue laws of the United States over the State of Texas, and establishing collection districts therein, and to provide for the collection of duties which are or may be imposed by law upon goods imported into said State of Texas from any other part of the United States.

Also, a remonstrance of Henry Hoover and 7 others, citizens of Wayne county, Indiana, of the same character.

#### REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. Benton, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported a bill to organize a company of sappers, miners, and pontooniers.

Also, a bill to repeal the act of 1842 abolishing the office of second Inspector General of the Army.

Mr. Barrow introduced a bill to provide for the survey of the mouth of Red river, in the State of Louisiana.

Mr. Ashley, from the Committee on the Judiciary, moved that the Senate take up the bill reported by him on yesterday, with an amendment, to extend the laws of the United States over the Territory of Texas.

After some amendments offered by Mr. Westcott and Mr. Niles, and some remarks by Mr. Berrien—

The bill was amended and ordered to be engrossed.

#### ELECTION OF CHAPLAIN.

On motion of Mr. Bagby, the Senate proceeded to the election of a Chaplain.

The whole number of votes given in were 40, of which number the Rev. Septimus Tuston (the late Chaplain to the Senate) received 28 votes, and was thereupon declared duly elected.

On motion of Mr. Dayton, the Senate went into executive session for a short time, and then adjourned until Saturday.

On Monday, in the Senate, Mr. Cass presented the petition of Clara H. Pike, widow of Zebulon M. Pike, deceased, late an officer in the United States army, praying compensation for the services of her husband, in exploring the Mississippi river, and the southern part of the territory of Louisiana, and another petition of Mrs. P., praying the restoration of her name to the pension list; both of which were referred to the Military Committee.

Mr. Cass also presented the petition of Amos Holton, praying the settlement of his accounts; which was referred to the committee on Claims.

#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. Farn stated that in the election of Chaplain yesterday he had voted blank 3 times; that he had observed in reading the Journal that no blank votes had been reported. He wished to inquire if, in viva voce elections, blank votes were not reported and counted in the general result.

The Chair answered that in viva voce elections no notice had ever been taken on the journals or in the count of votes for "blank."

#### MAPS TO BE ENGRAVED.

Mr. Cooke, from the Committee on Engraving, reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be directed to procure the engraving, as soon as possible, of 16,135 copies of a map accompanying the documents transmitted with the annual Message of the President of the United States at this session.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Mr. McDowell rose to a question of privilege, and remarked that he had heard the Clerk of the House announce the other day his name to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of his colleague, Gov. Vance, as chairman of the Committee of Claims. He desired to say to the House that he found his name on two other committees, and that he was excused from serving on the third by a rule of the house.

He desired to say further, that there were circumstances connected with the appointment of the committees of this House affecting the State which he had in part the honor of representing here, which forbade him from serving on any committee upon which his name was placed.

Mr. Daniel, chairman of the Committee of Claims, stated that Mr. Stephens had not attended the meetings of that committee, and he had been informed by that gentleman that he did not contemplate its sittings. He therefore moved that Mr. Stephens be excused from service on that committee, and that a member be appointed in his place.

Mr. Barringer inquired of Mr. D. if he was requested by Mr. Stephens to make the motion, and if he knew the reason why Mr. S. had not attended the committee.

Mr. Daniel said he did not know the reasons, nor had he been requested by Mr. S. to make the motion. The committee had much before it, and it was desirable to have a full committee.

Mr. Cobb said something as to the cause of the nonattendance of Mr. Stephens, not heard by the Reporter.

Mr. Barringer said he preferred to have the request to be excused made by Mr. Stephens himself, and suggested to Mr. D. to waive his motion until Mr. Stephens came into the House.

Mr. Daniel assented, and the matter was dropped.

Mr. Cobb moved the following resolutions:

Resolved, That when the House shall adjourn to-day it will adjourn to meet again on Saturday next.

The resolution was read and agreed to.

And on motion of Mr. McConnell, the House then adjourned until Saturday.

#### PETITIONS.

Petitions, memorials, and remonstrances were referred under the rule, as follows:

By Mr. Daniel P. Cink: the remonstrance of Jones Nutting and 60 others, citizens of New Ipswich, New Hampshire, against the admission of Texas as a slave State.

Also, the remonstrance of Theodore H. Dorr and 144 other citizens of Lexington Massachusetts, for the same object.

By Caleb B. Smith: The remonstrance of Lemuel R. Johnson and 128 others, citizens of Wayne county, Indiana, against the admission of Texas as a slave State.

Also, a remonstrance of Henry Hoover and 7 others, citizens of Wayne county, Indiana, of the same character.

#### Also a remonstrance of Frederick Hoover, of Wayne county, Indiana.

Mr. Delano: The remonstrance of 102 citizens of Licking county, Ohio, against the admission of Texas into the Union as a slave State.

Also, the proceedings of a public meeting held in Utica, in the county of Licking, Ohio, signed by L. W. Knowlton, chairman, and James H. Elder, secretary protesting against the admission of Texas into the Union as a State with a Constitution allowing slavery.

By Mr. Hudson: The remonstrance of John G. Metcalf and others, of Marston; of Abigail Metcalf and others, of Mendon; of 67 inhabitants of Westboro'; each against the admission of Texas as a slave State.

By Mr. Severance: The remonstrances of Johnathan Garland and 108 other citizens of Winslow, Maine; of Elisha Goodwin and 43 other citizens of Detroit Maine; of Morrill Prescott and 22 other citizens of Ripley, Maine; of Amos Low, of Waterville, Maine; of Robert Goodenow, of Farmington, and 80 other legal voters of that town; of Charles C. Cone and 134 inhabitants of Calais, Maine; of Samuel Boothby and 56 citizens of Leeds Maine; of John How, of Abbot, Maine, and 26 others; of Seth May and 30 others of Winthrop, Maine; of Thomas M. Clark and 48 other legal voters of Hallowell and Gardiner, Maine; all against the admission of Texas as a slave State.

By Mr. Delano: The proceedings of a public meeting held in Utica, Licking county, Ohio, signed by W. L. Knowlton, Chairman, and Mr. Elder, Secretary, remonstrating against the admission of Texas as a slave State.

Also, the remonstrance of 102 voters of Licking county, Ohio, against the admission of Texas as a slave State.

The latest advices from Washington say that the public mind is deeply agitated by the war question. From the character of the politicians of the dominant party in both Houses, but little hope is entertained that any question will be compromised. Mr. CALHOUN has taken his seat in the Senate, and it is hoped he may counsel wisely, and succeed in averting war but this is doubtful. The following resolutions, offered by Mr. Douglas of Illinois, are now pending in the House, and if they, and we fear they will, war can hardly fail to be the result:

1. Resolved, That the title to any part of the Oregon Territory south of 54 degrees, 40 minutes of north latitude, is not open to compromise so as to surrender any part of said territory.

2. Resolved, That the question of title to that territory should not be left to arbitration.

The following resolutions, offered by Mr. BOWLIN, of Mo., are also pending, and taken with the above, and with the proposition introduced into the Senate to propose the year's notice, present a pretty formidable array of action on this question:

1. Resolved, That the Committee on Naval Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of employing a portion of the home squadron within our Territory of Oregon, in exploring the coast, rivers, harbors, bays, and straits, and also for the protection of our extensive commerce on the North Pacific Ocean.

2. Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing an exploring expedition by land to examine the various passes in the Rocky mountains and the Territories adjacent thereto, for the purpose of ascertaining the most practicable route for connecting the navigable waters of the Mississippi with those of the Oregon Territory.

3. Resolved, That the committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of employing a portion of the troops of the United States as a pioneer corps to aid and protect emigrants by land on their route to Oregon.

4. Resolved, That the Committee on Indian Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of extending the laws regulating our Indian intercourse over the Territory of Oregon, with provision for the gradual extinguishment of the Indian title to the lands in that Territory upon principles of justice and equality, so as to avoid conflicts between the settlers and the Indian tribes relative to their possessions, and for the purpose of securing lasting peace and friendship between them.

5. Resolved, That the Committee on the Public Lands, be instructed to enquire into the expediency of establishing a system of survey in Oregon, commensurate with the settlement by American citizens, similar to the system already established in other portions of the Territories of the United States.

6. Resolved, That the Committee on the Militia be instructed to inquire into the expediency of organizing the Militia in the Territory of Oregon, and furnishing them with arms and ammunition, to enable them to defend themselves against encroachments of the hostile Indians in that vicinity.

7. Resolved, That the Committee of the Post Office and Post Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of transporting a monthly mail to Oregon, by means of small detachments or otherwise unemployed soldiers, from Fort Leavenworth, so as to secure the mail facility at little additional cost to the Government, and preserve a line of military patrol along the route.

These resolutions were laid over under the rule for debate.

#### Native Copper Lard and Silver.

While the rich ores of Lake Superior are almost daily freighted to Boston, a rock of Metallic Copper and pure native Silver, weighing more than 1600 pounds, has found its way to our City, and may be seen for a few days at 66 Chapel street next door to the New-Haven Bank, at the store of Messrs. Walker & Wadsworth. This specimen is said to far surpass in beauty of form and rich display of silver on its surface the one removed from the West folk of Ontonogon river, a few years since, by Mr. Eldred, at an expense of \$500. It was discovered by an Indian named Toussant Piquet, in the employ of Major J. B. Campbell, a few miles eastward of Carp river, on the Lake shore where it has, no doubt, for many years, bulleted the waves of this inland ocean. Notwithstanding it was found loose amidst an assemblage of porphyritic and granite boulders lodged upon the Straits of red sand stone, dipping under the lake, still the adhesion of a portion of vein stone shows, evidently, that it was originally an inhabitant of the adjacent Carp river hills, where regular veins exhibiting native copper in places may be seen on lances, secured by Messrs. Cowan & Co. We are informed by a gentleman who has carefully explored the copper region, that these loose masses of copper may be traced to their parent veins of calcareous spar and analcime in the conglomerate and red sand stone, and of Phenite, Laumonite and Datholite in the Rock. In this way they become leaders or guides to the mineral contents of this region, which promises soon to be to the U. S., what the Ural is to Russia—the seat of prodigious industry, and the sources of inexhaustible mineral treasures.

We recommend to our readers by all means to see this rare product of the kingdom before it is removed from New Haven; perhaps never to return.

[New Haven Courier.]

#### LUTHERAN Conference Meeting.

THE CLERGY AND CONGREGATIONS, COMPOSING THE CONFERENCE DISTRICT OF SOMERSET COUNTY, IN CONNECTION WITH THE ALLEGHENY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF PENNA.

Are hereby notified, that the first meeting of their Conference will be held in the Lutheran Church at Centreville, commencing on Thursday the 8th of January next, at candlelight. Each pastoral district is expected to send one delegate to accompany the Pastor. All the brethren are urgently invited to attend, as business of importance requires their attention.

M. F. PFAHLER, Pastor Loci.  
dec 5 '45 P. RIZER, S. P.

To the heirs and legal representatives of Valentine Hoon, deceased.

TAKE notice that an Inquest will be held at the late dwelling house of said deceased, in the township of Allegheny in the county of Somerset, on Friday the 30th day of January, 1846, for the purpose of making partition of the real estate of said deceased, to and among his children and legal representatives, if the same can be done without prejudice to or spoiling of the whole—otherwise to value and appraise the same according to law. At which time and place you are required to attend if you think proper.

JACOB PHILIPPI, Sheriff.  
dec 16 '45

#### Administrator's Sale OF Real Estate.

IN pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court of Somerset county, there will be exposed at public vendue or outcry, at the house of Gen J. Hite, in the borough of Stoytown, in said county, on Saturday the 17th January next, (1846.) the following real estate, late the property of John Stabler, dec'd, a certain tract of land, situate on both sides of the Bedford and Stoytown turnpike road, part in Shade and part in Stonycreek township's, containing

238 Acres and allowance, conveyed to intestate, by James Frazier, by deed dated on the eleventh day of March, 1840, composed of part of two tracts of land; one thereof surveyed on a warrant in the name of Jacob Zigler, and the other in the name of John Stabler, adjoining lands of said intestate, on the north, south, east and west, with about fifty-five acres cleared, one

two story log house, one log barn, and other buildings thereon erected, and one APPLE ORCHARD.

ALSO another certain one and a half story house and stable, together with a lot and a half of ground, situate in the borough of Stoytown, Somerset county, on the south side of Main street, adjoining John Snyder on the west, and an alley on the east numbered three on the general plan of said town.

ALSO, a certain other lot situate in said borough of Stoytown, on the south side of the Greensburg and Stoytown turnpike road, adjoining lands of George Hartzell, Esq. and others, with the appurtenances.

TERMS—one third of purchase money in hand and the remainder in three equal annual payments without interest, to be secured by Judgment bonds.

Attendance will be given by Isaac Ankeny, administrator of dec'd.

By the court,  
WM H PICKING, Clerk.  
dec 16 '45

#### Administrators' Notice.

LETTERS of Administration having been granted to the undersigned, upon the estate of John Urlick, late of Somerset county, dec'd; he hereby gives notice to all persons having claims against said estate to present them without delay legally authenticated, and those who know themselves indebted to make immediate payment. ISAAC HUGUS, Adm'r.  
dec 9 '45-61

#### One Cent Reward.

RAN away from the undersigned, on Thursday morning last, an indentured servant girl, named

SUSAN GROVE, between 14 and 15 years of age. All persons are hereby cautioned against harboring or trusting her on my account.—The above reward will be paid to any person returning her to me, but no charges. NORMAN M BRUCE, Somerset, Dec 31 '45

#### Legislative Intelligencer.

The "INTELLIGENCER" will be published during the ensuing session of the Legislature, once a week, on the following terms:

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#### Somerset County, ss.

A T an adjourned Orphans' Court held at Somerset, in and for said county, on the 8th day of December, 1845. Before the Honorable Judges thereof.

IN the matter of the real and personal estate of Frederick Younklin deceased. And now to wit, December 8th, 1845, Ross Forward, Samuel W Pearson and Isaac Hugus, appointed Auditors to ascertain advancements and distribute the real and personal estate, among the heirs and legal representatives of said dec'd.

Extract from the records of said court certified this 8th day of December, 1845  
WM H PICKING, Clerk.  
dec 16 '45

#### NOTICE.

THE undersigned Auditors will meet at the house of Isaac Ankeny on Friday the 23d day of January next, for the purposes in the foregoing commission mentioned, at which place and time all persons interested may attend if they think proper.

ROSS FORWARD, SAMUEL W PEARSON, ISAAC HUGUS, Auditors.  
dec 16 '45

#### Somerset County, ss.

A T an Orphans' Court held at Somerset in and for said county, on the 8th day of December, A. D. 1845. Before the Honorable Judges thereof.

IN the matter of the account of Redding B. Conover, administrator de bonis non cum Testamento annexo of the estate of Joshua Cooper, Esq, deceased. And now to wit, December 8th, 1845, Ross Forward, Samuel W. Pearson and Isaac Hugus, Esqs, appointed Auditors to distribute the funds in the hands of said Administrator, to and among those entitled to receive it.

Extract from the records of said court, certified this 8th December, 1845.  
WM H PICKING, Clerk.  
dec 16 '45

#### NOTICE.

THE undersigned Auditors will meet at the office of Samuel W Pearson, on Thursday the 22d day of January next, for the purposes in the foregoing commission mentioned, at which place and time all persons interested may attend if they think proper.

ROSS FORWARD, S W PEARSON, ISAAC HUGUS, Auditors.  
dec 16 '45

#### Somerset County, ss.

A T an adjourned Orphans' Court held at Somerset in and for said county, on the 17th day of November, 1845. Before the Honorable Judges thereof.

IN the matter of the real estate of Philip King, dec'd, viz: 187 acres of land, situate in Turkeyfoot township, valued and appraised at and for the sum of fifty nine cents per acre. Inquisition confirmed 3d December 1828. And now to wit, November 19, 1845, the court on motion grant a rule on the heirs an legal representatives of said deceased, to appear at an adjourned Orphans' court to be held at Somerset on Monday the 2d day of March, 1846, and shew cause if any they have, why the real estate of Philip King, dec'd, should not be sold. Personal notice to all the heirs in this county, and notice by publication in the Somerset Herald for 3 weeks, to absent heirs, and one paper containing the notice, sent to the nearest post office at which they respectively reside. Extract from the records of said court, certified November 19th, 1845.  
JOHN O KIMMEL, Clerk.  
dec 25 '45-31

#### DR. C. N. HICKOK, RESIDENT DENTIST, Bedford, Pa.

REFERENCES.  
Hon. J. S. BLACK, Dr. J. McCREY, Hon. A. THOMPSON, Dr. N. W. Office at Ankeny's Hotel. m6'45-4f

#### Cumberland Market.

Flour, per barrel,	64 75 a 5 25
Wheat, per bushel,	1 00 a 1 10
Rye, "	65 a 0 60
Corn, "	65 a 0 70
Oats, "	55 a 0 40
Potatoes, "	40 a 0 50
Apples, "	51 a 0 37
" dried, "	57 a 0 50
Peaches dried, "	1 00 a 1 25
Butter, per pound,	15 a 0 18
Beef, "	3 a 0 4
Veal, "	3 a 0 5
Chickens, per dozen,	1 25 a 1 50
Eggs, "	10 a 0 12
Stone Coal, per bushel,	7 0 8

#### Pittsburgh Market.

Flour,	64 40 a 4 30
Wheat,	0 75 a 0 80
Rye,	45 a 50
Corn,	49 a 00
Oats,	53 a 37
Barley,	00 a 00
Bacon, hams, per lb	8 a 00
Pork,	00 a 00
Lard,	7 a 00
Tallow, rendered	6 a 00
" rough	4 a 00
Butter, in kegs,	00 a 00
" roll,	8 a 00
Cheese Western Reserve	5 a 7
" Goshen,	00 a 00
Apples green, per barrel,	1 00 a 1 50
" dried per bushel,	1 10 a 1 20
Peaches,	2 00 a 2 25
Potatoes, Mercer	00 a 00
" Neshannocks	00 a 00
Seeds, Clover	4 00 a 0 00
" Timothy	1 37 a 1 50
" Flaxseed	00 a 1 06
Wool	22 a 35

#### BANK NOTE LIST.

Pittsburgh, Pa.  
CORRECTED WEEKLY  
STANDARD—GOLD AND SILVER Pennsylvania.

Pittsburgh, Banks,	par
Philadelphia Banks,	par
Girard Bank,	par
United States Bank,	30
Bank of Germantown	par
Monongahela Bank Brownsville	2
Bank of Gettysburg	1
Bank of Chester County	par
Bank of Chambersburg	4
Bank of Delaware,	par
Bank of Susquehanna County	par
Bank of Montgomery County	par
Bank of Northumberland	par
Bank of Lewistown,	1
Bank of Middletown,	1
Carlisle Bank,	1
Columbia Bank and Bridge Co.	pa
Doyestown Bank	par
Eric Bank	1
Franklin Bank, Washington	1
Farmers' Bank Reading	par
Farmers Bank Bucks County	par
Farmers & Drover's Bank Waynesb'g	par
Farmers' Bank Lancaster	par
Lancaster Co. Bank	"
Lancaster Bank	"
Harrisburg Bank	1
Honesdale Bank	"
Lebanon Bank	"
Miners' Bank Pottsville	"
Wyoming Bank	"
Northampton bank	"
York Bank	"
State Scrip, Exchange bank Pitts.,	1
Mer. and Manf's B	par
Issued by solvent Banks	1

Mount Pleasant	1
Staubenville, (F. & M.)	"
St. Clairville	"
Marietta	"
New Lisbon	1