

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE.

Committee of Elections.—Thomas L. Harris of Ill., W. W. Boyce of S. C., Israel Washburn of Me., John W. Stevenson of Ky., Ezra Clark of Tenn., H. C. Phillips of Pa., J. A. Gilmer of N. C., L. Q. C. Lamar of Miss., and James Wilson of Indiana.

On Mileage.—Robert Smith of Illinois, Ambrose S. Murray New York, W. E. Niblack of Indiana, J. Morrison Harris of Maryland and Henry Waldron of Mich.

Boundary Commission having concluded its labors, its maps and journals have been turned over to the Department.

On Engraving.—Garnett B. Blair of New Jersey, Israel T. Hatch of New York and W. L. Underwood of Kentucky.

On Expenditures in the State Department.—Owen Jones of Penn., Jabez L. M. Curry of Alabama, John A. Bingham of Ohio, W. T. Avery of Tennessee, and Chas. B. Hoard of New York.

On Expenditures in the Treasury Department.—William Lawrence of Ohio, Allison White of Pennsylvania, David Kilgore of Ind., Jacob M. Kunkel of Maryland, and Lucius J. Gartrell of Georgia.

On Expenditures in the Navy Department.—John B. Haskin of New York, Jos. Miller of Ohio, Emory B. Pottle of New York, Paulus Powell of Virginia, and Reuben Davis of Mississippi.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS.

Report of the Secretary of the Interior.

Secretary Thompson's report opens with an exhibit of the operations of the Land Bureau. A historical sketch is given of the methods by which the public domain was originally acquired, and the following is a summary of the operations of the surveying system.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Total balance in the treasury at the beginning of the year, July 1, 1857, \$17,710,114.

On Private Land Claims.—J. M. Sandridge of Ill., J. C. McKibbin of Cal., Aaron Harlan of Ohio, George S. Hawkins of Fla., C. O. Washburne of Wis., Francis P. Blair of Mo., R. E. Fenton of N. Y., Charles J. Gilman of Maine, and William T. Avery of Tenn.

On Manufacturers.—William D. Bishop of Connecticut, Albert G. Watkins of Tenn., P. Bliss of Ohio, S. C. Clemens of Va., N. B. Ricard of Md., H. M. Shaw of N. C., and S. C. Foster of Maine.

On Public Buildings and Grounds.—W. G. Witley of Del., J. H. Hill of Ohio, W. B. Kelcey of N. Y., Guy M. Boyant of Texas, Justin S. Morrill of Vermont, John Huyler of New Jersey, Richard Mott of Ohio, J. B. Foley of Ind., and J. S. Gillis of Pennsylvania.

On Roads and Canals.—G. W. Jones of Tenn., A. G. Talbot of Ky., W. S. Darrall of Miss., M. J. Crawford of Ga., S. G. Andrews of N. Y., Edward A. Warren of Ark., Isaac N. Morris of Illinois, John Thompson of New York, and Paul Leidy of Pennsylvania.

BEAVER ARGUS.

PERSONAL.—We this week commence to send our bills to those who are indebted to us on subscription or otherwise; and we hope they will be promptly paid. We are in need of money, and if we can succeed in collecting, both of what we have standing on our books, we shall be enabled to prosecute our work during the coming winter.

Gov. Walker and the Administration. It will be recollected that after the defeat and return of General Walker from Nicaragua, and shortly prior to his departure again for the South, he was reported to have been closeted at Washington for several days with the President.

THE CONSTITUTION AT LAST. The Lecompton Constitution made its appearance in the St. Louis papers as an authentic copy. We give as full a synopsis as our space permits us to-day.

NEWS FROM EUROPE. HALIFAX, Dec. 18.—The Cunard mail steamer Canada, Capt. Shannon, with Liverpool dates to the 5th inst., one week later than previous arrivals, has arrived.