Pittsburgh Gazette.

TUESDAY MORNING.....JAN. 19, 1864.

CITY AND SUBURBAN.

OFFICIAL PAPER.

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Bible Society Anniversary.

The Young Men's Bible Society of Pittsburgh, celebrated their forty-sixth Anniversary last evening in the Second U. P. church (Dr. Prestley's) Sixth street. W. H. Kincaid, Esq., President of the Society, occupied the chair. The exercises were introduced by singing a part of the 19th Psalm, commencing with the seventh verse:

God's law is perfect, and converts
The soul in sin that lies, &c.

The Rev. R. H. Hughes then read a portion of the 119th Psalm, after which the Rev. John Douglas, D. D., led in prayer at a throne of grace.

Professor J. F. Griggs, of Western University, Corresponding Secretary, then read the annual report of the Society, from which we learn that on the 14th of January, 1863, there were credited to the Society, by the Librarian, Mr. John Colbertson, 1,141 volumes, valued at $266 58. To these there were added, by purchase from the State Society, 980 Bibles and 3,141 Testaments, for $958 08. The whole number of volumes issued from the depository during the year was 3,056, valued at $839.16. Still on hand, January 14th, 1864, 1,508 volumes, costing $395,72. The volumes sent out are 228 Bibles and 1,632 Testaments sold at the Depository for $480,48; and 1,129 volumes, worth $327,60, delivered to the agent, together with donations, by order of the Board, to the amount of $121.16—in 171 Bibles and 331 Testaments. Most of these donations were to supply soldiers, mission schools, steamboats, and humane and criminal institutions.

Rev. J. E. Miller, Agent, reports a falling off in the number of volumes distributed, as compared with 1862, of 2,676 volumes. The proximity of four camps, in 1862, afforded facilities for giving the soldiers 2,525 volumes. Of the 1,120 volumes received, Mr. Miller reports as distributed to the soldiers 842 Testaments, to the jail, 50; to steamboats, 57 Bibles, and to hotels and railroad stations, 5; to mission schools 164 volumes; military hospital, 76; destitute families and by sale, 85. The whole amount of subscriptions obtained to January 18th, was $3,324 65. Cash from year's subscriptions, $3,000 10. Old subscriptions received, $217 10. From volumes sold, $4 72. Total cash, $3,221 92. Still due from old and new subscriptions, $418 83. The subscriptions exceed those of 1862, $600 70.

The Parent Society issued, during the past year, 98,578 volumes, and the American Bible Society 1,259,117, or 175,554 Bibles, 1,002,382 Testaments, 58,957 volumes of the Psalms and Proverbs, and the Gospel of John, with 224 volumes for the blind. The British and Foreign Society, within the past sixty years, has sent forth over 43,000,000 of Bibles and Testaments, and during the year ending May 1st, 2,557,070.

James Robb, Esq., Treasurer, presented his report:

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Balance from last year.....	$ 530 31
Received for Books at Depository.....	391 53
Received from agent.....	2,222 02
Proceeds by uncurrent money.....	95
	$3,144 81

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Rev. J. K. Miller's salary.....	$ 600 00
Paid Pa. Bible Society for books.....	1,257 83
Sundries.....	254 47
Balance on hand.....	1,032 98
	$3,144 81

The Rev. S. H. Nesbit, D.D., then addressed the meeting in a very beautiful and eloquent speech. The Bible was not a mere history, although the oldest history in the world. It was God teaching by example. It was not mere philosophy, although the best philosophy.

The congregation then united in singing the 59th Psalm, from the 15th verse:

"Every man blessed the people are
The joyful sound that know," &c.

The Rev. Reuben Hill next addressed the assembly. The Pope, he said, was very much alarmed that there were so many Bible Societies engaged in disseminating the Word of God in a variety of "unique" tongues. His Holiness would not be so much alarmed if the Bible were circulated in an unknown tongue, so that the people would not understand it.

The Rev. J. J. Aiken D. D., agent of the Pennsylvania Bible Society, being present, was invited by the President to make a few remarks. At the close of his remarks the Committee appointed to nominate a Board of Managers for the ensuing year made their report, which was adopted. It was as follows:

BOARD OF MANAGERS.

1st Presbyterian: Robert S. Davis, David Robinson.
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3d " Jas F Griggs, W P Thompson.
4th " W D Rissel[illegible], Samuel McElroy.
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6th " Dr Josiah G McCandless; Robert
Reed.
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1st United Presbyterian: Jas M McQuiston, Hugh McMaster.
2d United Presbyterian: Wm Floyd; Wm Frew.
3d " " Miles Tindle, Hugh Murdock.
4th U. Presbyterian: Jas Robb; Robt McGowan.
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St. James' Episcopal: Sam'l Graham, Geo Parke.
Trinity " Jos Richards, Jno F Bennett.
St Peter's " Dr M Norris, B Miller.
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Christ M E: Jos Horne, Florence Kramer.
Bethfield street M E: Wm Brickell; Ed Spencer.
Penn Avenue M E: W B Scaife, G H Holtzman.
Wesley Chapel M E: Geo Meanor, David Walliker.
Trinity M E: Robt McClurdy, J H Nobbs.
Ross street M E: Wm Magill, A Jones.
German M E: Albert May, Fred Beese.
1st Evan. Lutheran: Thos H Lane, J D Carlisle.
Cumberland Presbyterian, Samuel Morrow, Alex Poetlley.
2d Lutheran: H. Hagenan, L. Kun.
Grace German Ref: B Wolf, Jr, P S Diffenbacher.
1st Methodist Prot.: Jas J Bennett, W Hinchsart.
2d Methodist Prot: W Van Horn, W H Algeo.
1st Baptist: Jas B M'Coy, G Porter.
Union Baptist: Thos W Davis, M E Gillespie.
4th Baptist: W C Barr, Jas M Gross.
1st Welsh Congr.: D H Evans, D O James.
Welsh Baptist: W Rowe, W Owens, Jr.
Trinity German: Henry Demmler, Frank Zinger, master.
Congregational: Geo Hamilton, Thos M'Vay.
Lawrenceville Presb.: Jno Culbertson, Ed Johnson.
Lawrenceville M Epis: Jno Wilkinson, Jno A Gong
Evangelical Association: J M Snyder, C Arnents.
South Pittsbg M Epis: Jno Clement, Jno Holtzman.
East Liberty M Epis: F H Lau'man, Jos Woodwell.
East Liberty Presb: G A Berry, O W Hallman.
Ist U P Lawrenceville: R Cummings, A Kelly.
East Liberty U P: R A Cunningham, Jas Logan.
Birmingham U P: A R M'Coulgie, Jno Neely.
Mt Washington Presb: S Guthbul, Wilson Linhart.
Attest' M B Gharrie, S S Collins, J Jackson.
Calvary Epis, E Liberty: Saml Martin Jos H Hill.
Birmingham Lutheran: Michael Erwseln, C F Mastedick.

J. F. Loy, Esq., offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Association are hereby tendered to the Trustees of the Church for the use of their house, and to the Reverend gentlemen for their able and eloquent addresses.

On Motion of Dr. Douglas, the reports of the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer were adopted.

The congregation then united in singing the doxology:

"Now blessed be the Lord our God,
The God of Israel," &c.

After which they were dismissed with the benediction by Rev. James Prestley, D. D.

The assembly, owing no doubt to the inclemency of the evening, was not nodarge as on former occasions.

Allegheny City Officers.

The members of the Select and Common Councils of Allegheny held a caucus meeting last evening, and nominated the following city officers for the year 1864, namely.

Treasurer—D. Macferron:
Street Commissioner—A? Hobson.
Superintendent of Water Works—Jno. Alston.
Clerk of Works—Duncan Dallas.
Weigh Master at Diamond Scales—Wm. Scandrett.
Weigh Master at Second Ward Scales—Wm. F. Anderson.
Wharf Master—A. Maxwell.
Recording Regulator—Wm. McHendry.
Assistant Regulator—R. R. Ray.
Sch Inspector—A. Maxwell.
Measurer of Wood and Bark—A. Maxwell.
Clerk to Committees—M. McConnigle.
City Solicitor—S. Schoyer, Jr.
Assessor of Water Rents—A. Davis.
Board Measurers—First Ward, C. F. Ingham; Second Ward, Wm. Murdock; Third Ward, R. W. McGinnis; Fourth Ward, Jas. McCormick.
Official Papers—English, *Gazette and Dispatch*; German, *Freedom's Friend and Courier*.

BUCHNER'S MINSTRELS.—This troupe will give their first performance, this evening, at Concert Hall. An excellent programe is offered, and the lovers of ethiopian song, dancing, etc., will doubtless be present in full force.

THEATRE.—Mr. Sandman drew a large audience at the Theatre last evening to witness his representation of Hamlet. He will appear to-night in the character of Narcisse.

Quotas of the 23d District.

The following is the official allotment of men required from the several sub-districts of the 23d District of Pennsylvania, together with the number of men enrolled in the first and second classes. The quotas assigned are the nett numbers, and do not include the usual 50 per cent. drawn from the wheel in making a draft. The calculation is based, in obedience to order, upon the number originally enrolled in both classes:

	1st class	2nd class	Aggregate	Quota
ALLEGHENY COUNTY.				
First Ward Alleg'y	495	253	748	65
Second " "	393	374	767	67
Third " "	729	556	1285	112
Fourth " "	903	495	1398	121
Manchester borough	339	173	512	44
McClure township	119	84	203	18
Ross township	111	74	185	16
Ohio township	112	48	160	13
Sewickley bore' and tp	110	29	139	12
Franklin township	87	64	151	13
McCandless township	57	29	86	8
Pine township	33	23	56	6
Richland township	54	32	86	8
Hampton township	66	27	93	8
Shaler township	196	140	336	30
Reserve township	285	340	625	54
Duquesne borough	170	119	289	25
Sharpsburg borough	106	94	200	17
Indiana township	160	105	265	23
West Deer township	61	42	103	9
East Deer township	73	56	129	11
Tarentum borough	57	34	91	8
Pawn and Harrison tps	146	98	244	21
Aggregate	4861	3360	8161	709
BUTLER COUNTY.				
Buffalo township	84	40	124	11
Clinton township	63	42	105	9
Middlesex township	56	46	102	9
Adams township	69	39	108	9
Cranberry township	73	36	109	9
Jackson tp and Harmony	91	52	143	12
Zelienople borough	18	13	31	4
Forward tp	58	50	108	9
Penn tp	57	28	85	7
Jefferson tp & Saxonb'g	72	70	142	12
Winfield tp	67	48	115	10
Clearfield tp	55	32	87	8
Summit tp	52	27	79	7
Butler tp	56	40	96	8
Butler borough	109	50	159	14
Connequenessing tp	88	34	122	10
Lancaster tp	62	59	121	11
Muddycreek & Portersv's	65	49	104	9
Franklin tp and Prospect	95	50	145	13
Centre tp	54	35	89	8
Oakland tp	71	36	107	9
Donegal tp & Millerst'n	66	33	99	9
Fairview tp	74	44	118	10
Concord tp	57	31	88	8
Clay tp	79	29	108	9
Brady tp	45	18	63	5
Worth tp	75	41	116	10
Centre's & Slippery'k tp	69	43	112	10
Cherry tp	58	28	86	7
Washington tp	78	48	126	11
Parker tp	87	23	110	10
Allegheny tp	57	30	87	8
Venango tp	61	32	93	8
Marion tp	56	31	87	8
Mercer tp	33	30	63	5
Aggregate	2320	1317	3637	316
ARMSTRONG COUNTY.				
Perry tp and Queensbrown	92	57	149	12
Brady's Bend township	223	137	360	31
Sugar Creek township	67	34	101	9
Washington township	67	44	111	10
Franklin township	117	98	215	24
North Buffalo township	59	36	95	8
South Buffalo township	77	41	118	10
Freeport borough	89	50	139	12
Leechburg borough	31	24	55	5
Apollo borough	20	19	39	3
Allegheny township	160	94	254	22
Kiskeminetas township	161	92	253	22
Burrel township	65	27	92	8
Plum Creek township	171	78	249	22
Kittanning township	94	49	143	13
Manor township	84	74	158	14
Kittanning borough	150	88	217	22
Valley township	120	65	185	16
Pine township	130	79	209	18
Madison township	72	44	116	10
Mahoning township	97	68	165	14
Red Bank township	101	49	150	13
Wayne township	127	73	200	17
Cowanshannock township	133	70	203	17
Aggregate	2576	1491	4067	353
Allegheny county	4,861	3,360	8,161	709
Butler county	2,320	1,317	3,637	316
Armstrong county	2,576	1,491	4,067	352
	9,757	6,168	15,865	1,378

The Draft—Local Bounties.

The procuring of volunteers to fill the quotas of the sub-districts of Allegheny county, does not, in most places, call forth that attention and energetic action which the importance of the object to be accomplished demands. This is strange, indeed, though it was to be expected that the enthusiasm which prevailed at the outbreak of the rebellion, and continued for some time thereafter, would not last in its fervor and intensity; yet it was hoped, and still is hoped, that the loyal citizens would not so far forget their duty to their country, as to cease making any effort to answer its call for either their services or their means. Let it be remembered that it is our duty as much as ever it was, to furnish men to put down this rebellion, and though the exigencies of the present do not call for such sacrifices as we have made in the past; yet *men are required, and men must be furnished.*

Now the writer occupies a position which enables him to know the reason why men do not volunteer more generally in our county. It is because larger *local* bounties have been paid elsewhere, and those intending to volunteer, have availed themselves (as they had a perfect right to do) of the advantage to themselves and families thus held out, and entered the service as belonging to these places. If the wards, boroughs and townships of Allegheny county, raise respectively a local bounty of from $200 to $300, the quota of the county can be filled, or so nearly so, that the few remaining to be drafted, would be a small matter. The writer has had applications made to him for men by men from adjoining counties, who came here to enlist with the expectation of receiving $200 or $300. If any of the districts been prepared to pay in cash $200 or $300, such district or districts could have had their quotas supplied.

Let immediate action be taken by the citizens generally in reference to this matter, and the draft will be avoided altogether. If the Government succeeds in raising the three hundred thousand called for, it is not probable another draft will be made—that number of men will be sufficient for all the purposes of the government. Raise a bounty of $200 or $300 for each man required, either by voluntary contribution or by levying a tax, and there will be no difficulty in procuring the requisite number of volunteers. M.

Twenty-Third District, Jan. 18, 1864.

A Visit from an Old Subscriber.

Wm. Connolly, Esq., a veteran citizen of Franklin, Venango county, dropped into our office yesterday, and entertained us for a brief period, with a few interesting reminiscences of the past. He informed us that he had been taking the *Gazette* for nearly sixty-nine years, having subscribed for it in May, 1795. He was then residing in Mifflin county, in that portion which was subsequently cut off and erected into Centre county. The paper was then published weekly, by John Scull, and Mr. Connolly received it once every three weeks. In the course of his conversation he remarked that he was born in 1776, and in the summer of 1798 had been engaged with others in surveying the boundaries of the county of Erie, then an Indian wilderness.

On their way home they stopped at Fort Franklin, where the town of Franklin now stands, and borrowed an Indian canoe from a soldier there, and dressing themselves in savage costume they paddled their way down the Allegheny to Pittsburgh. On reaching here they put up at the Bear tavern, in what is now known as the Diamond. Being in civilized society once more, they threw off their Indian toggery, and spent a week or ten days in the most pleasant and agreeable manner. It was at this time that Mr. Connolly subscribed for the *Gazette*, and he has been taking it ever since. Although in his eighty-seventh year, he is hale and hearty, and (to use his own language) as capable of making a mathematical calculation as he was sixty years ago. He has not been in this city for many years, and is here now in answer to a summons to attend as a juror in the United States District Court.

Presentation to Chaplain Stewart.

The members of the 102d Regiment recently presented a magnificent and costly copy of the Bible to the chaplain, Rev. A. M. Stewart, as a token of their regard for him, and an acknowledgment that his services as chaplain had been duly appreciated. It contains the following inscription: "Presented to Rev. A. M. Stewart, Chaplain of the Old 13th Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers, by the non-commissioned officers and men of the regiment, expressive of their appreciation of his faithfulness as Chaplain, 1863." The book, which is elaborately illustrated with steel plates, was printed in London, and purchased at a cost of $100. It has been sent here for preservation, and can be seen for a few days at the store of Messrs. John Floyd & Co.; Liberty street.

Gough is Coming.

The sixth lecture of the course under the auspices of the Mercantile Library Association will be delivered by the eminent orator, John B. Gough, at Concert Hall, on Saturday evening, the 23d. Subject: "Peculiar People." This is a new lecture, and wherever delivered has been immensely popular. The services of Mr. Gough are so much in demand that the lecture committee had considerable difficulty in obtaining his consent to visit the city this season.

Prof. Agassiz will be the next lecturer. He is expected to give two lectures on or about the 1st of February.

LIFE OF ARCHBISHOP HUGHES.—Mr. J. P. Hunt, Masonic Hall, Fifth street, has received from Messrs. T. B. Peterson & Brothers, Philadelphia, "The Life of Archbishop Hughes; with a full account of his Life, Death, and Burial; as well as his services in all pursuits and vocations, from his Birth until his Death." It occupies seventy pages duodecimo. Price 25 cents.

IN TOWN.—Lieut. Col. J. C. Hull, of the 62d Pennsylvania Regiment, (now commanding a Brigade) is at home on a short visit to his friends.

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J. SILL, Dentist, 1345 Penn street, will attend to all business on his profession.

DIED:

LEWIS—On Monday, the 18th inst., at 5 o'clock, a. m., DAVID, son of James Lewis, in the first year of his age.

The funeral will take place THIS AFTERNOON at 3 o'clock, from the residence of his parents, Writers' Court, opposite the Fair Grounds. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

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THE LATEST NEWS

BY TELEGRAPH.

OUR SPECIAL DISPATCHES,

FROM WASHINGTON.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18, 1864.

JOSHUA R. GIDDINGS.

Joshua R. Giddings arrived here, and was on the floor of the House to-day.

Mr. Garfield introduced a resolution calling for all the facts in the possession of the Government connected with Mr. Gidding's arrest and trial in Canada. It is intimated that there were some ugly features in the course adopted by the British officers, if not by our State Department.

THE CONSCRIPTION BILL.

The Senate at last passed the Conscription bill in its modified and amended form to-day. The following is a synopsis of its most important features: It gives the President power to call out during the present war as many men as public exigencies require. The quotas of wards, townships or counties shall be in proportion to the number of men liable to military service therein. Credit will be given for previous enlistments in the naval or military service. The draft is to be made only to fill deficiencies in volunteering. In towns or counties drafted men may furnish substitutes from among those not liable to the draft, and shall be exempted from service as long as his substitute is not liable to the draft. The maximum commutation is fixed at $400, and persons furnishing a substitute, or paying the commutation shall not be liable to the draft again on that enrollment. The commutation money shall be applied by the War Department to the procuration of substitutes, to be credited to the Congressional district whose collected. Colored troops are to be credited to the State where enlisted, but none of the commutation money is to be applied to pay them bounties. Section 2, of the old law, is amended so as to exempt none except the Vice President, Judges, Members of the Cabinet, State Governors, disabled persons, and all in service at the time of the draft, or who have been in the service two years, and been honorably discharged by the proper authorities. The distinction of classes is abolished. Quakers having religious scruples against fighting, are to be assigned to duty in hospitals, and the care of freedmen; and the commutation from such, is to be applied to the benefit of sick and wounded soldiers. No foreigner who has voted is exempt. Exemptions procured fraudulently are null and subjects the procurer to treatment as a deserter. The fees of Attorneys for making out papers are fixed at five dollars, and the members of Boards of Enrollment, and clerks assisting them, are prohibited by severe penalties, from procuring substitutes.

THE COMMITTEE OF THE CONDUCT OF THE WAR.

The House Military Committee to-day amended the joint resolution, reviving the Committee on the conduct of the war, as follows:

Resolved, That a Joint Committee of three members of the Senate and three members of the House of Representatives, be appointed to inquire into the conduct and expenditures of the present war, and may further inquire into all the facts and circumstances of contracts and agreements already made, or that may be made prior to the final report of the Committee by or with any Department of the Government in anywise connected with or growing out of the operations of the Government in suppressing the rebellion against its constitutted authority, and that the said Committee shall have authority to sit during the sessions of either House of Congress, and during the recess of Congress, and at such times and places as said Committee shall deem proper, and also to employ a stenographer, a clerk at the actual rate of compensation; and be it further *Resolved*, That the said Committee shall have power to send for persons and papers, and the Sergeant at Arms of the House or of the Senate, as the said Committee may direct, shall attend in person or by assistant, the sittings of the said Committee, and serve all subpoenas put into his hands by the Committee, and pay the fees of all witnesses and expenses.

RECONSTRUCTION.

The special House Committee on Reconstruction will, at the earliest opportunity, report a bill. It will be substantially Mr. Ashley's bill for reconstruction, with changes in two or three particulars, as follows: The Governor is to have the pay and emoluments of a Brig. Gen. of Volunteers, but it is not expressly stated that he shall be a military officer at all. The President can, if he chooses, select him from civil life. Soldiers in the service from said States are authorized to vote. Before calling the convention the enumeration of white inhabitants must be had, and the convention cannot be held unless one-tenth are of approved loyalty. The committee is understood, with these exceptions, to adopt Ashley's bill as a basis. Meanwhile a reconstruction is about to be brought before Congress in another shape from an unexpected quarter.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on Elections, is understood to have a bill providing at once for renewing the representation from rebel States so fast as a sufficient number of loyal men can be found to elect them.

ANNIVERSARY MEETING.

Gen. Moorhead got through the House a resolution granting the Hall to the Christian Commission for their anniversary meeting on the 22d of February.

Samuel Cox seemed to have been very much stung by Miss Dickinson's description of small men who could still wiggle their way into Congress in interest of slavery, for he vehemently protested against opening the Hall again after it had been abused Saturday evening by a person of whom he need not speak. A Indiana member was even worse exercised and offered a resolution gravely condemning Miss Dickinson's speech, as partisan. The Administration men hustled it out of the way without ceremony.

SELECTED HIS SEAT.

Frank Blair has selected his seat among the Democrats, on the opposition side of the House. It is probable that this is not intended to signify anything, however, as he may not have been able to procure an eligible seat on our crowded side.

THE ARKANSAS DELEGATION.

Col. Gantt and the Arkansas Delegation have arrived. They seek some such arrangement as will enable them to re-organize the State Government of Arkansas.

The Inauguration of Cov. Curtin.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 18.—The arrangements for the inaugural are complete. The city is already well crowded with strangers from a distance, and each successive train adds hundreds to the numbers. The citizens, irrespective of party, have entered heartily into the affair, and will vie with each in giving proper eclat to the occasion. Major Gen. Couch, commander-in-chief, Maj. Gen. Hancock, Major Gen. Stahl, Brig. Gen. Pleasanton, together with their respective staffs, have arrived. An extensive platform has been erected in front of the capital building, beautifully decorated with evergreens and the flags of the veteran regiments. The military display will be imposing much beyond expectation. The civic display will be equally grand; all the associations of this character in the city having signified their acceptance of the invitation. Ex-Governor Porter will unite with the cortege. Our county courts, now in session, will adjourn, and the Judges and members of the bar will participate in the ceremonies. All the United States officers now in the city will take part in the procession.

The Enrollment Bill Passed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18, 2 P. M.—The Senate has passed the enrollment bill without any important amendment, by a vote of 30 yeas to 10 nays.

Counterfeit Treasury Notes.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—Counterfeit twenty dollar Treasury notes are being circulated here to-day.

Congressional.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18, 1864.

HOUSE—Mr. Dawson, of Pennsylvania, submitted a preamble declaring that a great civil war like that which affects the United States is the most grievous of all national calamities, producing spoilation, bloodshed, corruption and immorality; and whereas the American Government cannot rightfully wage war except for the sole purpose of restoring obedience to the Constitution and the laws, &c., therefore, be it

Resolved, That the President be required by a proclamation, or otherwise, to declare that whenever any State now in insurrection shall submit herself to the Government, as defined in the Constitution, all hostilities against her shall cease, and such State shall be protected from internal interference with her local laws, and the people shall be fully guaranteed in all the rights which the Federal Constitution gives them.

Mr. Stevens, of Pa., moved to lay the resolution on the table. Agreed to: yeas 79, nays 56.

The House, by a large majority, tabled a resolution instructing the Committee on Military Affairs, to inquire into the propriety of exempting active clergymen of all denominations from the draft.

Mr. Cox, of Ohio, presented a resolution to appoint a Board of Commissioners, who can, by negotiation, reach the authorities in the South, with a view to the immediate exchange of prisoners, taking the matter out of the hands of Gen. Butler.

On motion of Mr. Washburne, of Illinois, the resolution was tabled: yeas 91, nays 56.

Mr. Schenck, of Ohio, reported back from the Military Committee the Senate resolution for the appointment of a Joint Committee on the Conduct of the War, with an amendment authorizing the Committee to enquire into all contracts made with any of the Departments. They are authorised to set at such time and in places as they may think proper during the recess of Congress. Agreed to.

Various resolutions of enquiry and declarations as to what should be the policy of the government in national affairs, were offered and voted down.

The House then adjourned at 4 o'clock.

SENATE.—Mr. Henderson, of Missouri, introduced a resolution requiring the corporations of Georgetown and Washington to establish a general system of vaccination. Adopted.

Mr. Wilson, of Massachusetts, reported back the bill to promote enlistments, and for other purposes.

Mr. Howe, of Wisconsin, introduced a bill to establish a Bureau of Emancipation. Reported to the Select Committee on Slavery.

Mr. Sumner, of Massachusetts, introduced a resolution to abolish the color qualification in carrying the mails.

The resolution to expel Mr. Davis was referred to the Committee on Territory.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of Massachusetts, the enrollment bill was taken up. This will occupy the entire session.

Mr. Anthony offered modifications to the clause in the enrollment bill exempting non-combatants. Rejected.

Mr. Howard offered an amendment, defining that the killing of an officer who is executing the draft, shall be classed as murder under the United States laws. Adopted.

Several verbal amendments were then adopted.

The bill as amended was finally passed.

Yeas—Messrs. Anthony, Clark, Collamer, Conness, Cowan, Davis, Dixon, Doolittle, Fessenden, Foot, Foster, Hale, Harding, Harlan, Harris, Howard, Johnson, Lane, (of Kansas,) Morgan, Morrill, Nesmith, Pomeroy, Ramsey, Sprague, Sumner, Ten Eyck, Van Winkle, Wade, Willey, Wilson—30.

Nays—Messrs. Buckalew, Carlisle, Grimes, Hendricks, Howe, Kirkwood, Pearce, Powell, Saulsbury, Dickinson and Wright—10.

The resolution of thanks to Cornelius Vanderbilt, for his gift of the steamship Vanderbilt to the Government was passed.

The Senate went into Executive session and adjourned at half past three.

Successful Federal Raid.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 18.—The *American* has a letter dated Point Lookout, January 16, giving an account of quite an extensive raid in Westmoreland, North Umberland and Richmond counties, Va., by Brig. Gen. Marston. His command consists of 300 infantry and 130 cavalry. The cavalry embarked from Point Lookout on the morning of the 12th, consisting of detachments of the 1st and 5th U. S. cavalry. They landed at Kinsale on the Yocome river. Thirty men were detached to go with the infantry. The command marched to Washaw Court House, Richmond county. Captured and destroyed a quantity of pork and bacon collected there for the rebel government; captured a rebel major and several other prisoners, and destroyed grain, etc. From Washaw they proceeded to the Union wharf on the Rappahannock, and communicated with the gunboats, and then moved down the river to cross Farnham's Creek, and burned a large bridge. Some slight skirmishing occurred at the end of this point with the rebel cavalry; next morning marched for Little Waltham and destroyed a quantity of grain and other produce, and after a slight skirmish with a small body of rebel cavalry, we moved on to Lancaster Court House, where the main command halted, and Lieut. Dickinson, of the 5th Cavalry, was sent to Kilmarnock, ten miles distant, and from that point a detachment was sent out, which burned the extensive tannery, and a large amount of leather, hides, machinery, &c. That night the command marched for a point near Wicomoco, where it was expected to meet an infantry force and gunboats. They communicated with the fleet and moved down the 14th, and moved up to Wicomoco to a point where the command was reshipped, and they all returned to Point Lookout after an absence of three days. Only one man was killed. Twenty-five prisoners, sixty horses, twenty mules, sixty-five head of cattle and one hundred and six sheep were captured. Commodore Parker, of the Potomac Flotilla, rendered essential service to the expedition.

Foreign News.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Jan. 17.—The Columbia arrived here to-day with Galway