XXVIIITH CONGRESS—FIRST SESSION.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.

SENATE.—Mr. Trumbull (Ill.) presented a petition from Judges of Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa and New Jersey, setting forth the inadequacy of their salaries, and asking an increase.

Mr. Harding (Oregon) introduced a resolution instructing the Committee on Post Offices and Roads to inquire into the expediency of establishing a postroad from Salt Lake city to Oregon.

Mr. Riddle (Del.) moved that 10,000 additional copies of the report of Gen. McClellan, without the accompanying maps and documents, be printed for the use of the Senate. Referred to the Committee on Printing.

On motion of Mr. Lane (Ind.) it was resolved that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the present laws regulating the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the United States as shall confine the Court to the consideration of questions of law alone, except as is provided by the 19th section of the act to establish the judicial courts of the United States, passed September 24th, 1789, and to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Fessenden (Me.,) all prior orders were postponed, and the Senate proceeded to consider the House Deficiency bill, as reported with amendments by the Senate Finance Committee. The committee's amendments, with a few slight exceptions, were agreed to. The Senate committee's amendment strikes out all the House provisions for an increase of the clerical force of the Department, and authorizes the appointment in the various bureaux, for a term not exceeding one year after the close of the rebellion, of about one thousand clerks and employes of various grades.

The Senate's amendment appropriates the amount necessary to pay the salaries of these additional employes to the 30th of June, 1864, and provides for the employment of females instead of males, at a salary not exceeding —— hundred dollars per annum. It also repeals the act limiting the office of Assistant Register of the Treasury to one year.

Certain amendments from the Naval Committee were concurred in. They appropriate $150,000 for repairs at the Norfolk Navy-Yard; $144,000 for works at Port Royal, S.C., and $47,000 for repairs to the Brooklyn Navy-Yard.

Mr. Fessenden presented amendments, which were adopted, appropriating about $80,000,000 for deficiencies in the Quartermaster's Ordnance and Commissary Departments. These amendments were based upon the estimates of the Chiefs of the Bureaus, as transmitted with an explanatory letter from the Secretary of War.

Mr. Wilson moved an executive session.

Mr. Fessenden thought the bill could be passed to-day.

Various minor amendments were offered, when the Senate adjourned until to-morrow.

HOUSE.—Mr. Washburne (Ill.) from the Committee on Commerce, reported the Senate bill which was passed, re-establishing the principal entry for the District at Champlain at Plattsburg, New York.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the Senate Enrollment bill, as amended by the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union.

Mr. Cox (Ohio) suggested that the bill should lie over till Monday, in order to give further time for examination, the amendment being much confused.

Mr. Schenck (Ohio) replied that the public exigencies were so pressing that he could not give in hour. He moved the previous question and then explained the amendments and substitute, concluding by an appeal to the friends of the country to pass this bill that the army may be recruited and the government sustained.

Mr. Harding (Ky.) desired to address the House.

Mr. Garfield (Ohio) proposed that the gentleman from Kentucky should, by general consent, be allowed half an hour for that purpose, but

Mr. Schenck objected.

Opposition to further proceedings on the bill was manifested.

Mr. Rogers (N. J.) moved to reconsider the vote by which in the earlier stage of the proceedings the House had asked to adjourn till Monday. The motion was laid on the table—yeas 100, nays 40.

Mr. Harding (Ky.) moved that the House adjourn.

No quorum voting the question was taken by yeas and nays, and determined in the negative—yeas 12, nays 90.

It was now 4½ o'clock.

Mr. Clay (Ky.) asked leave of absence till Monday, but afterwards withdrew his request.

Mr. Wadsworth (Ky.) moved that the bill and amendments be laid on the table.

The question was determined in the negative—yeas 48, nays 87.

The House then proceeded to act on the amendments to the Senate bill.

The House then voted on the following amendment adopted by the Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union:

"All able-bodied male persons of African descent, between the ages of twenty and forty years, whether citizens or not, resident in the United States, shall be enrolled according to the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement, and shall form part of the national forces; and when a slave of a loyal citizen shall be drafted and mustered into the service of the United States, his master shall have a certificate thereof. The bounty of $100 now payable by law for each drafted man shall be paid to the person to whom such drafted person owes service or labor at the time of his muster into the service of the United States, on freeing the person. The Secretary of War shall appoint a commission in each of the slave States represented in Congress, charged to award a just compensation, not exceeding $300, to each loyal person to whom the colored volunteer may owe service, who may volunteer into the service of the United States, payable out of the commutation money upon the master freeing the slave."

The above was agreed to by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Alley, Allison Anderson, Arnold, Ashley, Baldwin (Mass.), Baxter, Beaman, Blair (West Va.), Boutwell Boyd, Brandegee, Brown (West Va.), Cobb, Cresswell, Davis (Md.) Davis (N. Y.), Deming, Eliot, Grinnell, Hotchkiss, Hubbard (Iowa), Driggs, Dixon, Eckley, Frank, Garfield, Gooch, Hall, Hooker, Hubbard (Conn.) Hulburd, Julian, Kasson, Kelley, Kellogg (Mich.), Kellogg (N. Y.), Loan, Longyear, Marvin, Mc-Bride, McClurg, McIndoe, Miller (N. Y.), Moorhead, Morrill, Morris (N. Y.), Amos Myers, Leonard Myers, Norton, O'Neill (Pa.), Orth, Patterson, Perham, Pike, Pomeroy, Rice (Mass.), Rice (Me.), Rollins (N. H.), Schenck, Schofield Shannon, Smith, Smithers, Spaulding, Starr, Stevens, Thayer, Thomas, Tracy, Upson, Van Valkenburg, Washburn (Ill.), Washburne (Mass.), Webster, Whaley, Williams, Wilder, Wilson, Windom and Woodbridge—84.

NAYS—Messrs. J. C. Allen, Wm. J. Allen, Ancona, Bailey, Baldwin (Mich.), Bliss, Brooks, Brown (Wis.), Chanler, Coffroth, Cole, Cox, Craven, Dawson, Denison, Eden, Edgerton, Eldridge, Finck, Ganson, Grider, Griswold, Hall, Harding, Harrington, Harris (Md.), Herrick, Higbee, Holman, Hutchins, Johnson (Ohio), Kalbfleisch, Kernan, Knapp, Law, Lazear, Le Blond, Long, Mallory, Marcy, McDowell, McKinney, Morris (Ohio), Morrison, Nelson, Noble, Odell, O'Neil (Ohio), Pendleton, Radford, Randall (Pa.), Randall (Ky.), Robinson, Rogers, Ross, Scott, Steele (N. Y.), Stiles, Strouse, Stuart, Sweat, Voorhies, Wadsworth, Wheeler, J. W. White, Winfield, F. Wood—67.

The House having agreed to the committee's amendments to the bill, Mr. Schenck (Ohio) submitted a substitute, which was agreed to, and the original bill as thus amended was passed—yeas 93; nays 60—as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Allen, Allison, Anderson, Arnold, Ashley, Baily, Baldwin (Mass.), Baxter, Beaman, Blair (W. Va.), Boutwell, Boyd, Brandegee, Broomall, Brown (W. Va.), Cobb, Cole, Cresswell, Davis (Md.), Davis (N. Y.), Dawes; Deming, Dixon, Driggs, Eckley, Eliot, Farnsworth, Frank, Garfield, Gooch, Grinnell, Griswold, Hale, Higbee, Hooper, Hotchkiss, Hubbard (Iowa), Hubbard (Conn.), Hulburd, Jenckes, Julian, Kasson, Kelley, Kellogg (Mich.), Kellogg (N. Y.), Loan, Longyear, Marvin, McAllister, McBride, McClurg, McIndoe, Miller (Y. Y.), Moorehead, Morrill, Morris, Amos Myers, Leonard Myers, Norton, Odell, O'Neil (Pa.), Orth, Perham, Pike, Pomeroy, Randall (Ky.), Rice (Mass.), Rice (Me.), Rollins (N. H.), Schenck, Schofield, Shannon, Sloan, Smith, Smithers, Spaulding, Starr, Stevens, Thayer, Thomas, Tracy, Upson, Van Valkenburgh, Washburne (Ill.), Washburn (Mass.), Webster, Whaley, Wheeler, Williams, Wilder, Wilson, Windom, Woodbridge.

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The bill, as passed by the House, provides that the quota of each ward of a city, town, township, precinct or election district, or of a county where the same is divided into wards, towns, townships, precincts or election districts, shall be as nearly as possible in proportion to the number of men resident therein subject to draft; taking into account, as far as practicable, the number which has been previously furnished therefrom; and in ascertaining and filling said quota there shall be taken into account the number of men who have heretofore entered the naval service of the United States, and whose names are borne upon the enrollment lists as already returned to the office of the Provost Marshal General of the United States.

Any person enrolled under the provisions of the Enrollment act, or who may hereafter be so enrolled, may furnish at any time previous to the draft an acceptable substitute who is not liable to draft, nor at the time in the military or naval service of the United States; and such person so furnishing a substitute shall be exempt from draft during the time for which such substitute shall be exempt from draft, not, however, exceeding the time for which such substitute shall have been accepted. But no private soldier, musician, or non-commissioned officer, being actually in the military service of the United States, shall be procured or accepted as a substitute. The boards of enrollment are to enroll all persons liable to draft under the provisions of this act, and of the enrollment act where names may have been omitted by the proper enrolling officers; all persons who shall arrive at the age of 20 year, before the draft; all aliens who shall declare their intention to become citizens; all persons discharged from the military or naval service of the United States, who have not been in such service two years during the present war, and all persons who have been exempted under the provisions of the second section to which this act is a supplement, but who are not exempted by the provisions of this act, and the boards of enrollment shall release and discharge from draft all persons who, between the time of the enrollment and the draft, shall have arrived at the age of 45 years, and shall strike the names of such persons from the enrollment. Any person drafted into the military service of the United States may, before the time fixed for his appearance for duty at the draft rendezvous, furnish an acceptable substitute, subject to such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of War. If such substitute is not liable to draft. The person furnishing him shall be exempt from draft during the time for which such substitute is not liable to draft, not exceeding the term for which he was drafted; and if such substitute is liable to draft the name of the person furnishing him shall be liable to draft in filling future quotas; and if any drafted person shall hereafter pay money for the procuration of a substitute under the provisions of the act to which this is an amendment, such payment of money shall operate only to relieve such person from draft during the time for which the person was drafted, unless the names placed in the box become exhausted; in which case the names shall be returned to the wheel. Members of religious denominations who shall, by oath or affirmation declare that they are conscientiously opposed to the bearing of arms, and who are prohibited from doing so by the rules and articles of faith and practice of said religious denominations, shall, when drafted into the military service, be considered as non-combatants, and shall be assigned by the Secretary of War to duty in the hospitals, or to the care of freedmen, or shall pay the sum of $300 to such persons as he Secretary of War shall designate to receive it, to be applied to the benefit of sick and wounded soldiers; provided that no person shall be entitled to the benefit of the provisions of this section unless his declaration of conscientious cruples against bearing arms shall be supported by satisfactory evidence that his deportment has been uniformly consistent with such declaration. Any mariner or able seaman who shall be drafted shall have the right, within eight days after the notification of such draft, to enlist in the naval service as a seaman. No pilot, engineer, master-at-arms, acting master, acting ensign or acting master's mate, having an appointment or acting appointment as such, and being actually in the naval service, shall be subject to a military draft while holding such appointment.

The following persons are exempted and excepted from the enrollment and draft, namely:

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The bill also contains the section for enrolling all able-bodied persons of African descent, upon which a separate vote was taken, before the bill was passed.

The House, at half-past six o'clock, adjourned till Monday.

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20,000	" " " 1861	22,000	00
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123,050	Philadelphia City 6 per ct Loan	127,528	00
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$791,750	par. cost, $768,737 12—market value	794,200	50
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fe3-3mo Cashier.

GERMAN EXCHANGE BANK, PHILADELPHIA November 23d, 1863.

At the election held 16th inst. the following Stockholders were duly elected Directors of the German Exchange Bank:

Alexander G. Cattell,	John F. Gross,
James Steel,	Christian J. Hoffman,
Robert Ervien,	H. W. Catherwood,
William P. Cox,	Edmund A. Souder,
Samuel T. Canby,	Charles E. Wilkins,
Philip B. Mingle,	David Vanderveer,
	Jonathan Knight.

And at the meeting of the Board this day ALEX G. CATTELL, Esq., was unanimously re-elected President; and ALEX. WHILLDIN, Esq., Vice President, and JOHN W. TORREY, Cashier.

J. W. TORREY, Cashier.
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GROCERIES.

ALMERIA GRAPES.—Choice Almeria Grapes in large clusters and first order, for sale by M. F. SPILLIN, N. W. corner Arch and Eighth streets.

COFFEE.—Prime old Government Java Coffee; also, Maracaibo, La Guayra, Rio, &c., for sale by M. F. SPILLIN, N. W. corner Arch and Eighth streets.

MACCARONI AND VERMICELLI.—Italian Maccaroni and Vermicelli of superior quality just landed and for sale by M. F. SPILLIN, N. W. corner Arch and Eighth streets.

HALF PINTS CHAMPAGNE.—Cabinet Champagne in half pints, 48 bottles to the case. Also Heidsieck & Co., Green Seal, Grape Leaf, Pearl of the Rhine, qts and pts; Widow Clicquot, pints, the genuine article, for sale by SIMON COLTON & SON, Broad and Walnut.

BETHLEHEM BUCKWHEAT.—The genuine Bethlehem Buckwheat Meal and Oat Meal, for sale by SIMON COLTON & SON, Broad and Walnut streets.

CINCINNATI HAMS.—Just received and for sale by SIMON COLTON & SON, Broad and Walnut streets.

CHOICE HAMS.—Cincinnati covered Hams, just received and for sale by THOMPSON BLACK & SON, BROAD and CHESTNUT streets.

GRAPES AND ORANGES.—Extra Almeria Grapes and sweet Havana Oranges, just received and for sale by THOMPSON BLACK & SON, BROAD and CHESTNUT streets.

SPICED SALMON.—Fresh Spiced Salmon in small cans, just received and for sale by THOMPSON BLACK & SON, BROAD and CHESTNUT streets

HEIDRIECK & CO'S CHAMPAGNE, very choice Sherry and Madeira Wine, fine Brandy, Younger's Scotch Ale and Guiness's Brown Stout for sale by E. B. CLARKE, Grocer and Tea dealer, Main street, adjoining R. R. depot, Germantown.

VERY CHEAP TEAS.—Finest Young Hyson, Imperial, Gunpowder, Oolong, English Breakfast, Chulans, &c., for sale in original packages, or in small boxes, for family use, at JAMES R. WEBB'S, Walnut and Eighth streets. de23

RIDLEY'S BROKEN CANDY, Vanilla Cream Candy, Cornucopias, Chocolate Almonds and Drops, Burnt Almonds and Mixtures; all fresh. For Sale by E. B. CLARKE, dealer in fancy and staple Groceries, Main street, adjoining Railroad Depot, Germantown.

FRENCH PEAS, Champignons, and Boneless Sardines, of a fresh importation; for sale by E. B. CLARKE, dealer in fine groceries, Main street, adjoining Railroad Depot, Germantown.

FRESH GROCERIES FOR CHRISTMAS.—New Raisins, Currants, Citrons, Prunes, Figs, and Almonds. Just received fresh, for sale by E. B. CLARKE, dealer in fancy and staples groceries, Main street, adjoining Railroad Depot, Germantown.

REFINED SUGARS AND SYRUPS OF ALL grades manufactured at the Southwark Sugar Refinery and the Grocers' Sugar House, for sale by E. C. KNIGHT & CO., Southeast corner Water and Chestnut streets.

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CANARY SEED.—TWENTY-FIVE BBLS Prime Canary Seed in store and for sale by WORKMAN & CO., No. 12 Waln. street

AUCTION SALES.

JAMES A. FREEMAN, AUCTIONEER, No. 422 WALNUT street, above Fourth.

REAL ESTATE SALE, FEB. 17.

This sale will include—

STOCKS.

BOHEMIAN MINING STOCKS.

2 shares stock Bohemian Mining Company.

STEUBENVILLE AND INDIANA RAILROAD STOCK.

10 shares Stock Steubenville and Indiana Railroad.

178 ACRES, MONTGOMERY CO—The valuable farm of 178 acres, with extensive improvements, tenant-house and out-buildings, Montgomery county, 19 miles from Philadelphia, 10 miles from Norristown, 3 miles from two stations on the North Penn. Railroad. Sale absolute, by order of the Orphans' Court of Montgomery county. Estate of Peter Wager, dec'd.

IRREDEEMABLE GROUND RENTS—One of $55 per annum, out of a lot 15th, above Parrish sts; 15½ by 83 feet, well secured.

One of $50 per annum, out of a lot Ogden st, east of 15th st, 16 by 50 feet. Well secured.