

SEATTLE CONGRESS—FIRST SESSION.

Mr. Wilson reported the committee on Finance, directed to report on the resolution directing the Secretary of the Treasury to prepare certain tables showing the population, products and manufactures of certain sections, by comparison with a similar order of the last session.

Mr. Sherman submitted a letter, received from the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury (Mr. Field), with details of the claim of Mrs. Mary Throckmorton for the compensation for services rendered as her own, which the District Commissioner for Emancipation could not settle, her husband being an officer in the Union army, but recommended Congress to pay from residue of that fund.

Mr. Sherman reported favorably on the joint resolution explanatory of the survey and sale of public lands, which was adopted.

Mr. Harris reported from the committee on Public Lands a bill to aid the railroads in Iowa, from Mr. Crocker, along the forty-third parallel, to a point in Minnesota, and one from St. Paul to Mankato, giving five alternate sections per mile.

Mr. Wade called up the House bill to provide a temporary government for the territory of Montana. Mr. Wilkinson offered an amendment to the sixth section striking out the words "male citizen of the United States" and inserting "male citizen of the United States or female citizen of the United States."

Mr. Johnson briefly stated the reasons which would cause him to vote against the amendment. The morning had expired, and the vote proceeded to the unfinished business of yesterday, the joint resolution amending the act relating to the qualification for voters and eligibility to office.

Mr. Johnson stated the reasons which would cause him to vote against the amendment. He would be perfectly willing to acknowledge the guilt of Massachusetts and South Carolina, and should both of these States have been in rebellion for ten years ago, this war would not have occurred. He was opposed to the present measure for many reasons.

These amendments would destroy a fundamental principle of the Constitution, interfering with and stripping the people of a loyal State their right of electing their representatives to Congress. He would also, as argued, extend, deprive them of their right of electing their representatives to Congress. Slavery was the creature of local institutions. Upon what pretext, then, did Senators assert that Congress had no authority to legislate on foreign States. He denied any such power, either in Congress or the Executive.

Mr. Davis stated that the President at great length interfered in elections in Kentucky, Missouri, Maryland, and Pennsylvania, and that the election of representatives friendly to his cause. He believed that he did not know which government threatened the people most, that of the rebel Jefferson Davis or the usurper Abraham Lincoln.

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