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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, Feb. 7, 1861.

The House was called to order at 10 o'clock, A. M., by the SPEAKER, and opened with prayer by Rev. Mr. JOHNSON.

The Clerk read the Journal of yesterday.

REPAIR OF THE LIGHTNING CONDUCTORS ON THE CAPITOL.

The House proceeded to consider joint resolutions from the Senate relative to lightning conductors on the Capitol.

The resolutions were twice read and agreed to.

STATEMENTS OF SAVING FUND SOCIETIES.

The SPEAKER laid before the House a statement of the Six Penny saving fund society of Philadelphia.

Laid on the table.

The SPEAKER also laid before the House a statement of the Western saving fund society of Philadelphia.

Laid on the table.

PETITIONS, ETC., PRESENTED.

Mr. BURNS, presented a petition from sixty-three citizens of Pennsylvania, asking for a law to secure to married women the proceeds of their own labor.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary (general).

Also, one from citizens of Allegheny county, praying for the passage of a law to prevent hogs, sheep and cattle from running at large in said county.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, &c.

Mr. MULLIN, two from citizens of Cambria county, for a law to tax dogs in said county.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, &c.

Mr. HECK, one from the stockholders of the Peter's mountain turnpike road company, praying for a change in the location of their office.

Referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges, &c.

Mr. BALL, presented the eighteenth annual report of the Erie canal company.

Laid on the table.

CRITTENDEN COMPROMISE.

Mr. AUSTIN presented the resolutions adopted at a mass meeting (assembled without distinction of party) of citizens of Bethel township, Fulton county, accompanied with one hundred and fifty signatures.

The proceedings were read.

Mr. AUSTIN moved that the same be published in the *Legislative Record*.

Mr. FRAZIER. I lately had the honor to receive some resolutions from my own county which I thought very proper resolutions; but I did not deem it necessary that we should pay seven dollars per page in order to insert them in the *Legislative Record*. I would have been opposed to printing them, as I am now opposed to printing these resolutions.

Mr. AUSTIN. I only ask that these resolutions be printed in the *Record*, because one hundred and fifty citizens of Bethel township ask that they shall be so printed. We have heretofore printed resolutions much longer—occupying much more space. These are very short—expressing only in general terms the views of those citizens. I think it would be ungenerous in this House to refuse to sanction their publication.

Mr. PATTERSON. I hope this motion to print will be adopted. While I do not agree with the petitioners in all they ask, yet it is their right to be heard, and their petition is deserving of respectful treatment at our hands. It is proper, if they request it, that the paper which they send should be placed on record. There is no way of placing it on the record except by printing it in accordance with the motion now before us. We every day order the printing of similar documents.

No person need complain of the expense of this printing. If the people are willing to pay the expense of printing documents interesting to them, which they send here, we certainly ought not to object. It is not we that pay the expense; it is the tax-payers of the State. If they are willing to bear the expense, we have no right to raise objection. I do not care what may be the purport of petitions or resolutions that may come here; though I may be opposed to their sentiment, yet if they are respectful in their form, I shall always treat them with respect and shall, when requested, favor their printing in the manner now asked.

Mr. COWAN. By printing these resolutions, as I understand, we shall only be following a usual practice. We have been publishing all sorts of resolutions presented to us in this manner, though some have been much longer. I am surprised to see gentlemen object to this motion. These resolutions are brief, and I do not see why we should, by a lengthy debate upon the subject, fill more space in the *Record* than these resolutions would occupy.

Mr. ABBOTT. Were not the precedent very clearly established in favor of printing such documents, I should hardly give my vote for the present proposition; but as we have frequently adopted similar motions, I shall give this my support. I presume, however, it is generally understood that, by publishing this document we do not imply any assent to the doctrines therein embodied. If I supposed this to be a sly way of inducing us to sanction the Crittenden Compromise, I should oppose the motion very strenuously. Such I do not understand would be the effect of our action; and consequently I shall support this motion to print.

Mr. GORDON. My opposition to the printing of these resolutions in the *Record*, does not proceed from my disagreement with their sentiment. But I am opposed, as a general principle, to printing in this manner, petitions, etc., that may be sent to this body. Such papers are respectfully heard by the representatives of the people; but I do not understand with what reason those who send these documents should ask that we spread them upon the pages of the *Legislative Record*. Such a proceeding in this case would certainly tend to establish a bad precedent. If all documents of this kind are to go upon the *Legislative Record* we must exclude our debates entirely, or we must increase very greatly the size of that *Record*. The trouble is now, that our *Record* is too large; entirely too much is published now. The public expense might be materially decreased by publishing less.

The object of the *Record* is to give an account, day by day, of the business of the House—not that we should spread upon it long petitions of no kind of consequence to any person, unless it is to the Representatives here upon this floor. These are my reasons for opposing all propositions of this kind.

Mr. AUSTIN. This question in regard to the propriety of printing such documents as this, appears to be just raised at this time. For five or six weeks we have pursued the practice of printing everything, the printing of which might be asked; but this morning, when I request, not for myself, but in accordance with the wishes of my constituents to the number of one hundred and fifty, who send these resolutions—when I request the printing of this document the request is to be disregarded. We do not ask that all the signatures shall be printed. We merely desire the printing of the resolutions, which express the sentiments of the signers. It is a very simple request that I make; and I am astonished to see gentlemen oppose it. I ask merely the courtesy that has heretofore been extended, without objection, to every person who has asked it.

Mr. BYRNE. It is not, I think, wise policy to cloak or hide any expression of the public sentiment of this great Commonwealth. I think it due that we should give to the views of these one hundred and fifty citizens, as they have presented them to us, every facility for publicity. I do not see why gentlemen should object to this proposition for printing.

On the question,

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. AUSTIN and Mr. PRESTON, and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—Messrs. Abbott, Anderson, Armstrong, Ashcom, Austin, Ball, Barnsley, Bixler, Blair, Boyer, Brewster, Brodhead, Butler, (Carbon,) Byrne, Caldwell, Clark, Collins, Cope, Cowan, Dismant, Donley, Duffield, Duncan, Dunlap, Eilenberger, Gaskill, Gibboney, Graham, Happer, Hayes, Heck, Hill, Huhn, Irvin, Kline, Lawrence, Leisenring, Lichtenwallner, M'Donough, M'Gonigal, Manifold, Moore, Morrison, Myers, Osterhout, Patterson, Preston, Pughe, Randall, Reiff, Rhoads, Robinson, Sheppard, Smith, (Berks,) Smith, (Philadelphia,) Stoneback, Thomas, White and Wildey—59.

NAYS.—Messrs. Acker, Alexander, Bartholomew, Bisel, Blanchard, Burns, Butler, (Crawford,) Douglass, Elliott, Frazier, Goehring, Gordon, Harvey, Hood, Hofius, Koch, Lowther, Marshall, Mullin, Peirce, Roller, Schrock, Shafer, Stehman, Taylor, Tracey, Walker, Williams, Wilson and Davis, *Speaker*—30.

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The procedings are as follows:

To the Honorable the Members of the Senate and House of Representatives, of the State of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met:

We the undersigned citizens of Bethel township, Fulton county, at a meeting called to consider the state of the country, adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we earnestly desire the repeal of all or any part of the Penal Code which conflicts with the Constitution of the Federal Union or a proper execution of the fugitive slave law.

Resolved, That a compromise based on that offered by the Hon. John J. Crittenden, would relieve us from the threatened destruction of our beloved Union and restore peace and harmony.

Resolved, That we consider the fanatics of the North and the fire-eaters of the South co-workers for the destruction of one of the best forms of government ever devised by man, and their course deserves the censure of every patriotic citizen.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions together with the signatures attached be forwarded to our Legislature now in session, with the request that they may be read and the resolutions published in the *Legislative Record*.

Signed by Philip Gordon, President, and others.

PETITIONS, &c.

Mr. ARMSTRONG presented a petition from the burgess and town council of Williamsport, for the passage of a supplement to an Act relative to the elections in Lycoming county.

Referred to the Committee on Election Districts.

Also, two from citizens of Lycoming county, for the repeal of an Act to encourage the destruction of noxious animals in certain counties.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, &c.

Also, one from citizens of Williamsport, praying for the passage of an Act for the protection of sheep and for taxing dogs.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, &c.

Also, one from citizens of Lycoming county, for a law to tax dogs, and encourage the raising of sheep.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, &c.

Mr. GIBBONY, one from citizens of Mifflin county, praying for the reduction of the standard weight of cloverseed.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. EILENBERGER, one from citizens of Northampton county, praying for the repeal of the Act regulating the manner of voting in said county.

Referred to the Committee on Election Districts.

Mr. BISEL, one from citizens of Northumberland county for the repeal of the Act relative to hucksters in said county.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary (local.)

Mr. THOMAS, one from ladies, officers of the Penn Widow's Asylum, praying for an appropriation of $5,000 to enable them to pay their indebtedness, and help them to support the widows under their charge.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

M. WILDEY, one of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. DUFEIELD, one of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. SELTZER, one from two hundred and thirty citizens of Philadelphia asking for the passage of an Act to appoint an Inspector of cattle, &c.

The petition was read.

Mr. SELTZER moved that the same be published in the *Legislative Record*.

On the motion,

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. SELTZER and Mr. ELLIOTT and were as follows, viz:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Austin, Ball, Bartholomew, Brewster, Burns, Byrne, Clark, Collins, Cowan, Donley, Dunlap, Elliott, Graham, Harvey, Hayes, Irvin, M'Donough, Morrison, Patterson, Preston, Pughe, Ridgway, Robinson, Schrock, Seltzer, Sheppard and Wildey—28.

NAYS.—Messrs. Abbott, Acker, Alexander, Armstrong, Ashcom, Barnsley, Bisel, Blair, Blanchard, Boyer, Brodhead, Butler, (Carbon,) Butler, (Crawford,) Caldwell, Cope, Dismant, Douglass, Duffield, Duncan, Eilenberger, Frazier, Gaskill, Gibboney, Goehring, Gordon, Heck, Hill, Hillman, Hood, Hofius, Huhn, Kline, Koch, Leisenring, Lichtenwallner, Lowther, Moore, Myers, Ober, Osterhout, Peirce, Randall, Reiff, Rhoads, Shafer, Smith, (Berks,) Smith, (Philadelphia,) Stehman, Stoneback, Taylor, Tracy, Walker, White, Wilson and Davis, *Speaker*—53.

So the question was determined in the negative.

The petition was then referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, (general.)

Mr. LEISENRING presented a remonstrance against the proposed City Passenger railroad on Seventh and Ninth streets, Philadelphia:

Referred to the Committee on City Passenger Railroads.

Mr. DUFFIELD, one from owners of property and residents on Main street, Frankford, remonstrating against the passage of an Act authorizing the Frankford and Southwark Railroad company to use steam locomotives on said street.

Referred to the Committee on City Passenger Railroads.

Mr. HAYES, one from citizens of Union, Lycoming and Clinton counties relative to the killing of deer.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

ERECTION OF A BOOM AT JERSEY SHORE.

Mr. ARMSTRONG (having obtained leave to make a statement) said: I have observed the presentation of a great number of petitions praying for the erection of a boom at Jersey Shore. I deem it proper, at this time, in order to guard against any misapprehension on this point, to state to the House that very industriously and with excessive effort these petitions have been printed and circulated throughout the adjoining counties, under the representation that the people of Williamsport and those of Jersey Shore had agreed upon a compromise bill and that the measure now pending was a bill satisfactory to the people of Williamsport, as well as to the people of Jersey Shore. To a petition of this nature, signatures were obtained in Williamsport upon precisely such representations; and the persons who signed that petition have since come to me, in my place here, or have written to me, stating that such were the representations, and that now they desired to remonstrate against the passage of this bill.

I have not gone round through this House to solicit personally from members an opposition to this bill. But I am well aware that persons are now here, and have been for several weeks, working for the passage of this bill—lobbying members upon all occasions, in their seats and out of them, at home, abroad, everywhere. All that I ask of members is that they will hold their minds open to a fair and honest investigation of this question when it shall arise. The interests involved are immensely great; and I now say what I expect to be able to substantiate hereafter, that the effort to construct this boom at Jersey Shore is only an effort to build up a speculation for the private advantage of a few, and at the sacrifice of the interests of the people of Williamsport, who have already invested money to the amount of two millions of dollars upon the faith of the charter granted by this Commonwealth. I only ask now that the members of this House shall guard themselves against misrepresentation, and hold their minds open to conviction when the subject shall be fairly and properly laid before them.

Mr. ELLIOTT, (having obtained leave to make a statement) said: If I remember rightly, the very first intimation that I had of this question being raised in this House was a circular laid upon my desk, signed by citizens of Williamsport—for what? The gentleman is undoubtedly aware, as members of this House are aware, of the import of that "appeal," as it was termed. It asked that we should do nothing that would in any manner disregard or impair their interests. Now I dislike to see gentlemen get up in this manner and try to log-roll this thing through in this way. I ask members to keep their minds unbiased on the other side. There are other interests besides those represented by the gentleman from Lycoming, (Mr. ARMSTRONG,) and when members have presented to them "appeals" such as the one I have mentioned, I ask them to disregard those appeals, as well as the appeals of the gentleman from Lycoming.

Mr. ARMSTRONG. If the gentleman means to say that the first intimation he had of the application for the Jersey Shore boom was the appeal laid upon his desk, he must be sadly deficient in proper information; for I presume no other member on this floor was ignorant of the that that, not only at this session but for two or three sessions past, this subject has been persistently pressed upon the attention of the House.

The gentleman speaks of "log-rolling." Let me say that I have not asked a single member—not one—to log-roll this bill through, or to oppose it in any sense whatever. If the bill has merits, let it pass; if it has none, let it be defeated. I only ask that these unusual, these extraordinary efforts, on the part of the few persons interested at Jersey Shore may not bias the minds of members of this House in favor of the measure.

Mr. ELLIOTT. I did not intend to say that the first intimation I had of this measure was given by the appeal I have mentioned; I merely meant that that was the first intimation that I had in this House—the first thing that attracted my attention to it in this House was an appeal laid upon my table.

Mr. ARMSTRONG. Then I will state for the information of the gentleman that that appeal was not, as I am informed, laid upon the tables of members of this House, or of the Senate, until petitions had already been circulated in this body and a bill read in place in the Senate.

PETITIONS, &c.

Mr. HUHN presented a remonstrance from citizens of Port Clinton, Schuylkill county, against any change in their borough limits.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a petition from citizens of West Penn township, Schuylkill county, for the repeal of the Act relating to a stricter accountability of public officers so far as the same relates to West Penn township.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, (local.)

Mr. TRACY, one from citizens of Bradford and Tioga counties, praying for the passage of a supplement to the Act for the assessment and recovery of damages on the North Branch and Wyoming canals.

Referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

Mr. IRVIN, one from the Burgess and Town Council of Carlisle, for a change in the boundaries of said borough.

Mr. DUNLAP, a petition from Geo. W. English, M. D., praying to be rewarded for the discovery of an antidote against noxious insects.

The petition was read.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, &c.

Mr. COWAN, one from citizens of Warren and Venango counties, for a law confining titles to such islands as may have been heretofore warranted in the Allegheny river.

The petition was read, and

Referred to the Committee on Estates and Escheats.

Mr. COPE, one from the Commissioners of Northampton county, to vacate Spruce alley, in the borough of Easton.

Referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

Mr. HILLMAN, six, from 448 citizens of Luzerne county, praying for the passage of a law requiring Sheriff's sales, county statements and other legal notices to be published in the two papers having the largest circulation in said county.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, (local.)

Mr. PUGHE, two from citizens of Luzerne county, of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. ACKER, one from citizens of Chester county, asking for the passage of a law to prevent horses, cattle, sheep, and hogs from running at large in said county.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, &c.

Mr. KOCH, one from citizens of Port Clinton, Schuylkill county, for a change in the borough limits.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, one from citizens of Schuylkill county, for a change in the Supervisor law.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, (local).

Also, one from citizens of Berks and Schuylkill counties praying for the laying out of a State road in said counties.

Referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

Mr. DOUGLASS, one from citizens of Allegheny county, for the passage of an Act to prevent cattle, sheep and hogs running at large in said county.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. COLLINS, one from citizens of Fayette county in favor of perfecting the division of Union township, in said county.

Referred to the Committee on new Counties and County seats.

Mr. BREWSTER, one from the School Directors of the borough of McConnelsburg, Fulton county, praying for the passage of an Act to legalize the paying of certain monies to School Directors.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. BYRNE, one from citizens of Jersey Shore and vicinity asking the Legislature to pass an Act authorizing the erection of a boom in the West Branch, at or near Jersey Shore, Lycoming county.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. COWAN, one of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. ACKER, one of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. MARSHALL, one from citizens of Linden, Lycoming county, of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. HOFIUS, one of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. LAWRENCE, one from citizens of Centre county of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. LEISENRING, one from citizens of Williamsport of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. STRANG, one from citizens of Potter and Clinton counties of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. ELLIOTT, one from citizens of Tioga county of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. HAYES, one of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. SMITH, (Philadelphia,) a remonstrance signed by four hundred and fifty citizens, cattle-holders and butchers against the passage of the Act providing for the inspection and weighing of cattle in the city of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, (general.)

Mr. PEIRCE, two from citizens of Chester and Delaware counties, of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. SHAFER, two from one hundred and eighteen citizens of Chester and Delaware counties, of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. ACKER, two from citizens of Chester and Delaware counties, of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Also, a petition from citizens of Chester county, in favor of the same.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. THOMAS, the resolutions of the City Councils of Philadelphia against the same.

Referred to same Committee.

Also, one from one hundred and seventy citizens of Philadelphia, in favor of the same.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. WILDEY, one from citizens of Philadelphia, of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. HARVEY, three from citizens of Delaware county, against the same.

Referred to same Committee.

Also, one from citizens of Pennsylvania, of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. HILL, one from citizens of Montgomery county, for the repeal of all laws that interfere with the rendition of fugitive slaves.

Referred to the Committe on the Judiciary, (general.)

Also, a remonstrance of citizens of Norristown, against incorporating the Continental Brush company of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. GOEHRING, one from citizens of Pittsburg and Allegheny, of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. GASKILL, two from the inmates of the Blind Asylum, Philadelphia, of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

Mr. BARTHOLOMEW, one from citizens of Pottsville, of like import.

Referred to same Committee.

SHERIFF'S TITLES.

Mr. RANDALL moved to reconsider the vote on the adoption of the report of the Committee of the Whole, negativing the bill entitled, "an Act relative to Sheriff's titles."

The motion was agreed to; and

The question recurring on the adoption of the report of the Committee of the Whole, it was not agreed to.

The bill was then read.

Mr. RANDALL moved that it be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, (general.)

The motion was agreed to.

RECEPTION OF THE PRESIDENT ELECT.

Mr. PATTERSON submitted the following:

Resolved, That a committee of six be appointed to accompany the President elect from Harrisburg to Washington; that the Speaker be *ex-officio* a member of the Committee, and that said committee be requested to aid in the reception of the President elect in connection with the committee already appointed by this House, to request him to visit Harrisburg.

The resolution was read a second time.

Mr. MARSHALL moved to amend by making the Speaker *ex-officio* Chairman of the committee.

The amendment was accepted as a modification.

Mr. SELTZER moved to amend by making the committee consist of one hundred.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. HOFIUS moved that the further consideration of the subject be postponed for the present.

The motion was agreed to.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. BURNS asked for and obtained leave of absence for Mr. MARSHALL, for a few days.

Mr. ASHCOM obtained the same leave for Mr. SHROCK.

Mr. GORDON obtained the same leave for Mr. MCLEAN, one of the folders of the House.

Mr. ABBOTT obtained the same leave for Mr. GORDON.

PAPERS WITHDRAWN.

Mr. BARNSLEY obtained leave to withdraw the remonstrances against the Seventh and Ninth streets Passenger Railroad of Philadelphia.

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS ON A COMMITTEE.

Mr. MARSHALL moved that two additional members be appointed on the Committee on the Militia System.

The motion was agreed to.

ANNUAL COMPENSATION TO THE OLD SOLDIERS.

Mr. BLAIR submitted the following:

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR THE RELIEF OF THE SOLDIERS OF 1812.

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives: That it is, in the opinion of the General Assembly of this Commonwealth, both just and equitable that the soldiers who served in the war of 1812, whether on land or water, as well as in the Indian wars, should receive an annual compensation from the General Government, in amount equal to that paid to the Revolutionary soldiers.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to furnish a copy of the foregoing resolution to the Speaker and members of Congress.

Mr. BLAIR moved to suspend the rules, and proceed to the consideration of the resolutions.

The motion was agreed to; and

The resolutions were considered and passed finally.

CONGRESSIONAL APPORTIONMENT OF THE STATE.

Mr. MOORE submitted the following:

Resolved, That a committee of seven be appointed to district the State in conformity to the new Congressional apportionment.

The resolution was read a second time.

Mr. SELTZER moved that the further consideration of the same be postponed for the present.

The motion was agreed to.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. GORDON, (Judiciary general) as committed a supplement to the Act authorizing the sale of real estate.

Mr. WILLIAMS, (same) as committed an Act to erect the county of Lycoming into a separate judicial district.

Mr. ARMSTRONG, (same) with amendment an Act to provide for the final adjustment of the claim of Samuel R. Richards.

Mr. HILL, (same) moved that the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the bill entitled "an Act regulating intelligence offices in this Commonwealth," and that the same be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. BYRNE, (same,) as committed, an Act relating to executions.

Mr. DUFFIELD, (same,) with a negative recommendation, a supplement to the Act relative to the compensation of associate judges.

Mr. GRAHAM, (Agriculture, &c.) as committed, an Act to extend the provisions of an Act for the better regulation of agricultural societies, to the county of Erie.

Mr. CALDWELL, (same,) as committed, a supplement to the Act for the better preservation of game in this Commonwealth.

Mr. STEHMAN, (same,) as committed, an Act to repeal an Act for the preservation of fish in the county of York.

Mr. BURNS, (same,) with amendment, an Act granting premiums on muskrats in Clinton county.

Mr. COPE, (same,) with a negative recommendation, Senate bill No. 132, entitled an Act for the protection of speckled trout in Pike county.

On motion of Mr. BRODHEAD, the bill was recommitted.

Mr. ANDERSON, (Accounts,) with amendment, an Act to provide for the settlement of claims against the Commonwealth.

Mr. HAYES, (Claims,) as committed, Senate bill, entitled an "Act for the relief of Wm. K. McClintock."

Mr. MANIFOLD, (same,) with amendment, an Act relative to the claim of John Kelley, of Lawrence county.

Mr. SELTZER, (Railroads,) with amendment, a further supplement to the Act incorporating the Lykens Valley Railroad company.

Mr. COLLINS, (same,) with amendment, a further supplement to the Act incorporating the Cumberland Valley Railroad company.

Mr. ACKER, (same,) as committed, an Act to provide for the fencing of a portion of the Northern Central railroad, and for the better protection of property in Dauphin county.

Mr. PRESTON, (same,) as committed, a supplement to the Act incorporating the Cheltenham and Chestnut Hill Railroad company.

Mr. BREWSTER, (same,) with a negative recommendation, an Act to tax the tonnage on the Cumberland Valley railroad.

Mr. WILDEY, (corporations,) as committed, an Act to extend the charter of the Delaware Fire company.

Mr. HUHN, (same,) as committed, an Act to revise the municipal charter of the city of Reading.

Also, (same,) as committed, an Act to extend the limits of the borough of Orwigsburg, Schuylkill county.

Mr. TRACY, (same,) as committed, an Act to incorporate the Towanda Telegraph company.

Mr. TRACY moved to suspend the rules, and proceed to consider the bill.

The motion was agreed to, and said bill was taken up and passed finally.

Mr. DUNCAN, (same,) as committed, an Act to ratify the charter of the Hayes Mechanics' Home.

Mr. PIERCE, (same,) as committed, an Act to incorporate the Green Lawn Cemetery company, of Phœnixville, Chester county.

Mr. ROLLER, (same) as committed, an Act to incorporate the Zion's African Methodist Episcopal church, of Philadelphia.

Mr. SMITH, (Berks,) (same) as committed, an Act to extend the limits of the borough of Brompton, Wayne county.

BILL RE-COMMITTED.

Mr. ACKER moved that the bill relative to private bankers, reported a few days ago, be recommitted to the Committee on Banks.

The motion was agreed to.

BILLS IN PLACE.

Mr. MARSHALL read in place a bill to prevent the explosion of steam boilers in this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary (general.)

Mr. WILSON, one to vacate certain lanes and alleys in the out-lots in Beaver, Beaver county.

Referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

Mr. SMITH, (Berks,) one to incorporate the Maxatawney Cemetery Company of Berks county.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. BOYER, one to repeal an Act entitled "a supplement to an Act to provide for the appointment of reporters of the decisions of the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania."

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, (general.)

Also, one authorizing Daniel Kohler, Administrator, &c., of Peter Hehn, deceased, to convey real estate.

Referred to the Committee on Estates and Escheats.

Also, a supplement to an Act entitled "an Act for the regulation of the militia of this Commonwealth."

Referred to the Committee on the Militia System.

Mr. ROLLER, one declaring William L., son of Ann Wilson, an adopted son of Geo. W. Ramsey, of Tyrone, Blair county.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, (local.)

Mr. HECK, a supplement to an Act entitled "an Act to authorize the Governor to incorporate a company to make an artificial road from the north end of the bridge over Clark's creek, on the road leading from Harrisburg to Sunbury to the south end of the bridge over Powell's to the south end of the bridge over Powell's creek, on the said road, in the county of Dauphin."

Referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

Mr. DUNCAN, one relative to deers in the counties of Lycoming, Clinton and Centre.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. BREWSTER, one to incorporate the Fulton county Fire Insurance company.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, one to legalize the payment of certain monies to the School Directors of M'Connelsburg, Fulton county.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. DONLEY, a supplement to the Act to incorporate the Pennsylvania State Agricultural society.

Mr. DONLEY moved to suspend the rules and proceed to consider the bill.

The motion was agreed to, and said bill was taken up and passed finally.

Mr. BYRNE, a bill to erect a new county out of parts of Luzerne county, to be called Lackawanna.

Referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Seats.

Mr. HILLMAN, one to authorize the publication of Sheriff's sales, &c., in two papers having the largest circulation, in Luzerne county

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary (local).

Mr. ARMSTRONG, a supplement to the Act to encourage the manufacture of iron with coke or mineral coal in this Commonwealth.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary (general).

Also, a further supplement to the Act to incorporate the Clinton Coal company, approved April 18, 1853, and to change the name of the Eagletown Coal company.

Mr. ARMSTRONG moved to suspend the rules, and proceed to consider the bill.

The motion was agreed to; and said bill was taken up and passed finally.

Mr. ARMSTRONG also read in his place a bill entitled, "a Supplement to the Act relative to elections in Lycoming county."

Mr. ARMSTRONG moved to suspend the rules and proceed to consider the bill.

The motion was agreed to; and said bill was taken up and passed finally.

Mr. GIBBONEY, one to regulate the standard weight of barley.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, &c.

Mr. BRODHEAD, one to authorize the Commissioners of Monroe county to borrow money.

Mr. BRODHEAD moved to suspend the rules and proceed to consider the bill.

The motion was agreed to; and said bill was taken up and passed finally.

Mr. COPE, one to vacate Spruce Alley in Easton, Northampton county.

Mr. COPE moved to suspend the rules and proceed to consider the bill.

The motion was agreed to; and said bill was taken up and passed finally,

Mr. BISEL, one to repeal an Act relative to hucksters in Northumberland county.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary local.)

Mr. RANDALL, one to confirm the title to certain real estate in Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, (local.)

Also, a supplement to the Act relative to sales and conveyance of real estate.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, (local.)

Also, a bill to change the name of the 2nd Regiment, 2nd Brigade, 1st Division Pennsylvania Volunteers, to the 1st Regiment, 2nd Brigade, 1st Division Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Mr. RANDALL moved to suspend the rules and proceed to consider the bill.

The motion was agreed to; and

The first section of the bill was read.

Mr. WILDEY moved to postpone the further consideration of the bill for the present, which he subsequently withdrew; when

On motion of Mr. RANDALL, the bill was referred to the Committee on the Militia System.

Mr. RIDGWAY, one to confirm deeds not acknowledged in conformity with the Act of Assembly of this Commonwealth, entitled an Act relating to the sale and conveyance of real estate.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, (general.)

Mr. SMITH (Philadelphia), one to incorporate the Ninth and Seventh Streets Passenger Railroad of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on City Passenger Railroads.

Mr. PRESTON, one to incorporate the Olney Library company.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also, a further supplement to the Act to incorpate the city of Philadelphia.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. COLLINS, one to perfect the division of the township of Union, in Fayette county.

Mr. COLLINS moved to suspend the rules and proceed to the consideration of the bill.

The motion was agreed to.

And the said was taken up and passed finally.

Mr. DOTGLASS, one to establish a ferry over the Youghigheny river, at Greenock.

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. STRANG, one to authorize Notaries Public to appoint deputies.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, (general.)

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