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Congress of the United States House or REPRESENTATIVES. Thursday, Feb. 19th, 1801.

A bill making appropriations for the sapport of government for 1801; a bill-making appropriations for the military ellabifhment for 1801; alfo bill to amend the act to provide for the valuation of lands and dw-ling houses, &c; also a bill for the relief of Nathaniel Homes, were read the third time and

A petition of P. C. L'Enfant, was read. The Senare informed the houle that they had paffed he bill for the relief of Samuel Lewis femor, with an amendment; to which the house immediately agreed.

Mr. C. Goodrich made report from the committee appointed to enquire into the official conduct of Wirdhop Sorgent, which was referred to a com mitter of the whole on Monday.

The report is lengthy, and concludes with recommending he following refolution:

Rei ived that there does not appear caufe for further proceedings on the matters of complaint for mal administration against Winthrop Sangent, as governos of the Milliagn Territory.

Mr. Goditin moved the following additional rule in relation of the powers of the freater.'

The power of the intaker or chairman of the committee of the whole finall not be confirmed to extend funiels by confent of the house previously obtained, or in the case of diforderly behaviour) to the expulflor of any person, either from the lobby when introduced by any member of the house, or from the gallery, when the fame is generally opened.

Mr. Hill, from the committee appointed on fire ballances, reported a bill releating the flates from the payments of balances due by them to the United States, which was polipored till the third of next

Mr. P'att, from the committee of revifal and unforthed bulinels, reported a bill for continuing the set generally denominated the Sedition Law, which was read.

A mot on was made to reject the bill, on' which a debate enfued. On the question being taken by year and nays, it was rejected; there being. Year 50 -Nava 49, and the speaker declared him felf in the Cabell, Christic, Clay, Cla borne, Concit, Dawfon, negative.

The Year and Nays are as follow :

Meffre. Alfion Baily, Biftop, R. Brown, Cabell, Criffie, Clay, Claiborne, Condit, Davis, Dawson, Deat, I gg effon, Limende i. Gall tin, Gray. Grege, Hanna, Heifter, Holmes, Huger, Jackson, Kitchell, Leib, Lincoln, Lyon, Line, Livingston, Macon, Muldenberg, New, Nicholas, Nicholfon, Parker, Randolph, Smilie, J. Smith, S. Smith, Spaight, Stanford, Stone, Steuart, Taliaferro, Thompson, A. Trigg, J. Trigg, Tazewell, Van Cortlandt, Varnam, R. Williams - 50. NAYS.

Killers, H. Lee, S. Lee, Morris, Matthon, Otis, Page, Pinckney, Platt, Powell, J. Reed, N. Read. Rut oge, Shepard, J. C. Smith, Sheafe, Tenney, Thatcher, J. C. Thomas, R. Thomas, Wadsworth, Waln, L. Williams, Woods,-49.

Fridat, Feb. 20, 1801.

The petitions of Mathias Shroyer, and Margaret Culbertion were prefented and referred to the commatter of carnes.

A petition from fundes verfons, refiding en lande belonging to the U. 5 lying Letween Mulkingum and Second rivers, pressing to be allowed a pre-empe. tion to the land, no which the petitioners are fettled on more favourable terms than their hereinfore granse by lan.

Referred to Medie. Dennis, M'Millan and Chuffic.

A motion being made and feronded, that the houl- do come to the following refolution, viz. Refolved that he fpeaker of this houle, in direct-

ing the Seifeans at Arms to order and expel from the gallery of this house, Samued Har ifon Smith, a citiven of the United States, has affamed a power not giren him by the roles of this house, and deprived the faid Samuel Harrison Smith of a right, which can only be terfe ted by diforderly behaviour.

Mr. Davis. Mr. Speaker, my intention is to call for the relobition laid on the table by me the other ! day, which relates to the conduct of the Speaker towains Mr. Smith : But before I call up the refolu- half of Arnold H. Dohrman and others ; wherecompares with my own, forbids it. I contend for, to that effect. principle; and those who differ from me on this | Resolved that a committee be appointed to bring point, a opinion, may meet me on this ground & by in a bill to revive and continue " An act ucclaring w fair and dripollionate argument difeute the fubjecht the confent of Congress to an act of the flate of Mary-It they choose to do so I shall be iati fied; it will land passed the rath of December 1793, for the apbe the most agreeable method to me.

But il Gentieman are disposed to introduce afperity into the achites, I am ready to repel it.

Refored unanimously that the speaker, be excus-

erder ?" and it patied in the negative, as follows, commencing on the 4th of March, Yras 49. Nays 54.

Melles, Aliton, Baily, Bishop, R. Brown, Cabell, Chi nie, Cay, Ciriborne, Condit. Danfon, the act to regulate the collection of duties on imports Dent, Egglebon, Elmendor', Fowler, Gelatin, and tonnage, which were agreed to by the house, Gray, Greng, Harna, Heifter, Holmes, Jackson, and the bill, after further amendments, was pracred Kitchell, Leib, Lyon, Linn, Livingston, Macon, Muhamberg, New, Nichola Niche fon, Randelph, Smile, J. Smith, S. Smith, Spright, Stanford. Scone, Sumpter, Stuart, Taliaferro, Thompton, A. Trigg. J. Trigg, Tozeweil, Van Cortland, Vara wan, R. Williams-49.

nuts,

Au-

Meffre. Beer, Bert'ett, Bayerd, Bird, J. Brown,

Champlin, Cooper, Craik, Dana, J. Divenport, F. into's committee of the whole, Mr. Morris in the or manufactured, the foundaries and armouries effa-blifhed, and what lands have been purchased for the Fofter, Freeman, Glen, Goode, C. Goodrich, E. | The committee reported the bill without amend-Hil, Huger, Imlay, Kittera, H. Lee, S. Lee, reasing, it was decided in the negative, and of Lincoln, Mattoon, Morris, Ctis, Page, Parker, courfe the bill was loft—The yeas and nays were Pinckney, Platt. Powell, J. Reed, N. Read, Rutas follow:
ledge, Shephard. J. C. Smith, Sheafe, Tenney, Yeas.—Meffra. Baer, Bartlett, Bayard, J. Brown, Champlin, Cooper, Craik, Dana, J. Davenport, F. Waln, L. Williams, Woods—54.

Davenport, Dennis, Dickfon, Edmond, Evans, Follow: Freeman Clen. C. Goodrich, K. Goodrich, E. Goodrich, R. Goo

And fo the faid motion was not in order. house do come to the following resolution, viz.

Refolved that the power of the Speaker or chair- Page, Pinckney, Platt Powell, J. Read, N. Read, man of the committee of the whole shall not be Rutledge, Shepard, J. C. Smith, Sheife. Tenney, construed to extend (unless by consent of the house, Thatcher, 1. C. Thomas, R. Thomas, Wadsworth, previously obtained, or in case of disorderly be. Waln, L. Williams, Woods. -49. havi ur) to the expulsion of any person, et her from Nays. - Messes. Alston, Bailey, Bishop, R. Brown,

The previous queftien was called for by five members, viz. "thall the rain question to agree to the fail motion be now put ?"

Whereupon the faid question being under confidera iou, Mr. Livington, having addressed the speaker did in the opinion of the ly-aker proceed to debate the main quellion, and being thereupon caled to order by the fpeaker.

Whereupon an appeal was made to the house, from the decision of the speaker, and on the question of concuring with the speaker in his said decision, it was refulved in the affirmative-Yeas 60, Nays 42,

Yeas .- Meffra, Baer, Bartlett, Bayard, Bird, J. Brown, Champlin, Cooper, Crark, Dana, J. Da. venport, F. Davenport, Dennis, Dent, Dickfon, Edmond, Evans, Foster, Freeman, Glen, Goode, C. Goodich, E. Goodrich, Gregg, Griswod, Grove, Hanna, Harper, Henderson, H. II, Huger, Imlay, Kitchell, Kittera, H. Lee, S. Lee, Lincoln, Mattoon, Morris, Otia, Page, Parker, Piackney, Platt, Powell, J. Reed, N. Read, Rutledge, Shepard, J. Smith, J. C. Smith, Sheafe, Tenny, That-cher, J. C. Thomas, R. Thomas, Varnum, Wadfworth, Wale, L. Williams, Wonds.

Nays -Meffrs. Altion, Bailey, Bifhop, R. Brown, Egglefion, Elmendorf, Fowler, Heifter, Helmes, Jackson, Leib, Lyon, Linn, Livingston, Macon, Muhlenberg, New, Nicholas, Nicholfon, Randolph, Smilie, S. Sm th, Spaight, Stanford. Stone, Sumpter, Stewari, Tabalerro Thompson, A Trigg, J. Tr gg, Tazewell, Van Cortlandt, R. Williams.

The previous question upon the motion being then taken, in the words following, viz. " fhall the main quellion, to agree to the lame be now put?"

Meffrs. Alfton, Bailey, Bishop, R. Brown, Cehell, Chriffie, Clay, Claiborne, Condit, D.vis, Moffre, Baer, Bartlett, Bird, J. Brown, Champ- Dawlon, Dent, Egglefton, Elmendo t, Fowler, Moffer, Baer, Bartiett, Bird, J. Brown, Chamber, Gray, Gregg, Hanna, Heister, Holmes, larges of the diffrict judges of Ma-lin, Cooper, Crack, Dana, J. Davenport, F. Di- Gallatin, Gray, Gregg, Hanna, Heister, Holmes, Vork, Pe of Joania and Maryland. venport, Dennis, Dicklon, Edmond, Evans, Forer, Jackson, Kitchell, Leib, Lincoln, Lyon, Linn, Freeman, Glen, C. Goodrich, E. Goodrich, Grid. Livington, Macod, Michlen erg, New, Nicholas, wold, Grove, Harper, He derfon, Hill, Imtay, Nicholoo, Randolph, Smille, J. Smith, S. Smith, Spaight, Stanford, Stone, Sumpter, Steuart, Taliaferro, Thompson, Trigg. J. Trigg, Tazewell, Van Cottland , Varnum, R. Williams, Wo de, NAYS.

Meffrs. Baer, Bartlett, Bayard, Bird, J. Brown, Champlin, Cooper, Craik, Dans, J. Davenport, F. Davenport, Dennis, Dickton, Edmond, Evans, Fotter, Freeman, Glen, Goode, C. Goodrich, K. Goodrich, Grifwold, Grove, Harper, Henderson, Hill, Huger, Lulay, Kittera, H Lee, S. Lee, Mattoon, Morris, Otis, P.ge, Parker, Pinchney, Platt, Powell, J. Reed, Read, Ruiedge, Shepard, J. C. Thomas, R. Thomas, Wadiworth, Waln, L. Williams -53.

A message was received from the President of the U. States, as follows :

Gentlemen of the Senate, and

Gentlemen of the House of Recresentatives. I transmit to Congress a report received this morning from Elias Boud not, Eng director of the Mint, dated February 13, 1801, which will require the attention and decision of Congress before the close of the fession.

JOHN ADAMS. United States,

Feb. 10, 1801. The meffage and report were read, and ordered

to lie on the table.

Mr. M.con, from the committee of claims, made report on the petition of Charles Tomkills, in betion I will remark that I have not introduced it upon refolved that the Profident of the U. States, be with a view to afford myfelf an opportunity of vent- authorized to life a patent for the 13th township choles, Otis, Page, Parker, Platt, Powell, J. Reed, ing invectives or perforalities against the Speaker, in the 7th range, to Arnold H. Dohrman or his legal The die reined of this houle forbids an act of that representatives agreeable to a resolution of Congress fort. The number of days the Speaker has feen, of October 1, 1787, and that a bill be brought in

pointment of a Health Officer.

Ordered that the committee of revifal and unfinished bafinels bring in faid bill.

Mr. Pinckney, from the committee appointed for ed from deciding whether the faid motion is in on that purpofe, reported that the committee had waited on the Prefident of the U.S:ates, to inform him that rected to be laid before this house an account of the

The house refumed the confideration of the amend. ment reported yefterday fr. m the committee of the whole to whom was committee the bill to smend to be engroffed for a third reading to morrow.

Saturday Feb. 21, 1801.

A report was read to favour of continuing the MIMT ESTABLISHMENT at Philadelphia tall March

Goodrich, Griwold, Grove, Harper, Henderson, mont, and on the question of engroffment for a third Hil, Huger, Imlay, Kitters, H. Lee, S. Lee, reading, it was decided in the negative, and of

Folter, Freeman, Gien, C. Goodrich, E. Goodrich, A motion was then made and feconded that the Grifwold, Grove, Harper, Henderson, Hill, Imlay, Kitters, H. Lee, S. Lee, Matteon, Morris, Otre,

the lobby when introduced by any member of the Cibeil, Chriffie, Clay, Claiborne, Condit, Davis, house, or from the gallery, when the tame is gene- Dawlon, Dent, Eggleston, Elmendorf, Fowler, Galon, Goode, Gray, Gregg, Hanna, Heider, Holmes, Bager, Ickson, Kitchell, Leib, Lincoln, Lyon, Lime, Livingston, Macon, Muhlenburg, New, Nicholes, Nicholfon, Parker. Randolph, Smilie, J. Smith,

S. Smith, Spaight, Stanford, Stone, Sumter, Stewart, Talisferro, Thompson, A. Trigg, J. Trigg, Tazewell, Van Cortlandt, Varsum, R. Williams. 5,4 The house went into a committee of the whole on the bill from the senate in relation to the Territory of Columbia, and after confidering the fame, reported progrets, and afked leave to fit again.

Ordered that the committee to whom was referred the meffage from the Prefident relative to the difpolition of the public property in his possession, be discharged from the confideration thereof, and that the fame be referred to the joint committee appointed on the 18th inft. to enquire what further meafure ough: to be taken for the accommodation of the Prelident of the U. States.

" An act directi g the mode of estimating certain foreign coins and currencies, and of making out invoices in certain cafet," was read a third time and

Monday, Feb. 23, 1801.

The bill " declaring the content of Congresa to an act of Maryland p fled the 28th of Dec. 1793, for the appointment of a health offi er," was rerd a 3d time

A petition of Notly Young others of the city of Washington, was read, praying that the confent of Congreis may be given to an act of the General Affembly of the flate of Maryland for eredling a bridge over the Eaftern branch of the Potomac river-referred to Mellis J C Thomas, Craik, and Donas.

The bill feat from Senste entitled " An aff to eftablift the diffriet of Kittery and Berwick to the diffield of Fortimouth, was read a third time, and

After going into committee of the whole the House came to the following refoution :

Refolved, That it is expedient to augment the falaries of the diffrict judges of Mallachufetts, New-A . ill to this effect was then ordered

in, which was immediately introduced by Mr Platt, and after two readings was committed to a committee of the whole to-morrow. The house resolved itself into a committee of the

whole on the bill making appropriations for the navy of the U. S for 1801, when teveral amendmen's were made, reported, and agreed to by the House; and the bill ordered to a third reading to-mo.row.

Ordered that the committee of ways and means be authorised to report a bill to amend the act to ellablish a stamp . Shice.

Mr. GRISWOLD : mmediately reported a bill to that effect, which was read twice, and committed to s committee of the whole House to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill from the Senate entitles an act concerning the Diffriet of Columbia.

Several amendments were made by the committee and reported to the ithuse, and agreed to, and the bill, as amended, ordered to a third reading to-mor-

Inefday, Feb. 24, 1801. The Bill from the froste entitled " an act concerning

the diarie of Columbia " was read the third time and palled, Year 57, Nays 35. The year and mays are as follow ?

YEAS.

Meffra Alfton, Bear, Bartlett, Bayard, Bird, J. Brown, Champlin, Cooper, Craik, J. Davenport F. Davengort, Denni, Dent, Dickfon, E mona, Foffer, Freemen, Glen, C. Goodrich, Grifwo d, Grove, Hitper, Henderson, Holmes, Huger, Imlay, Kitter., S. Lee, Lincoln, Macon, Mattoon, Morris, New, Ni Rutledge, Shepard S. Smith, J. C. Smith, Spaight, Sone, Sheet, Thatcher, J. C. Thomas, R. Thomas, Wadlworth, Waln, R. Williams, L. Williams,

Mellis, Bailey, Bishop, R. Brown, Calell, Clay, Cla borne, Condit, Davis, Dawfon, Egg efton, Fowler, Gallatin, Gray, Gregg, Hanne, Heifter, Jackson, Kitchell, Leib, Lyon, Linn, Livington, Muhlenberg, Nicholfon, Randolphy Smilie, J. Smith, Stanford, Stewart, A. Trigg. 1. Trigg. Tazewell, Taliaferso, Vag Cortland, Varnum -36.

Refolved that the Prefident of the U. States be di-The question was then taken, he Is this motion in Thomas Jefferson is elected President for four years, depredations committed on the commerce of the United States by veffels of Great-Britain of which complaint has been made to the government.

Feb. 17, 1801.

Mr STATERT's motion. Refolved, That the Prefident of the United States be jequefted to caufe the proper officer to lay before this House. I particular detail of the expenditures of the monies appropriated by the acts of the fourth and minery eight, and of the 10th of May one thousand eight hunared, for the jurpole of purchasing cannon and erms, or labricating the fame ; and the purchasing

purpoles of creeting foundaries, together with their respective quantities and figuations; also a lift of the warrants drawn on these appropriations, specifying in whose lavor each warrant was drawn, and fet what purpofe.

> REPORT, On flate Balances.

The committee appointed to inquire into the expediency of extinguishing the claims of the U. S. for certain balances which by the commissioners appointed to fettle the accounts between the U. S. and the several states, were reported to be due from several of

he ftates, to the United States, REPORT, That the Commissioners aforesaid, on the iquidation of the accounts reported, that there were due from feyeral of the flates, certain balances, that

From New-York,

Dolls.

	P
	Pennfylvania, 76,700
L	Delaware 612.429
e	Maryland,
	Virginia, 100,879
	Name C. Us
	That Congress by an all and all and a 501,085
	That Congress, by an act passed the 15th February.
1	1799, eng ged that any flate fo reported againft, might
7	discharge iife f from the claim, by an engagement in
	the form of a legitla ive act, to be naffed before the
į	and of April 1800, to Bay at the treasure of the file
	within five years, the amount of the fam affumed by
	the U. S. in the debt of fueh flate; or by expending
1	monies to the like amount within the time aforefaid
à	in the erection of total factions and the aforelaids
	in the erection of fortifications. And the faid act of
	Congress provides further, that any payment or ex-
-	penditure alorefaid shall be credited at the treasury
١	to the amount of Bock which laid payment or et pen-
g	dittire is count to the purchase of at the market prices
1	of Hock - I hat the flate of New-York paffed within
1	the time limited, the legislative act required by the
1	act of Congress aforesaid, and has already received
1	credit at the treasure for the form of allessay received
1	credit at the treasury for the fum of exz, 810 dollars
Ì	geents for having previously expended in fortifications

of Congreis The Committee further report, that by the immediate operation of the faid act of Congress, and of the egiflature of the flate of New-York, that flate was exonerated and released from a very confiderable part of the balance reported, to wit: whe fum of 891,129 dols ge cents ; the balance reported against the states being to that amount more than the fum subscribed on the effumption of the U. States in the debt of that flate, the fum fo fubfcribed amounts to 1,183,716 do lars 69 cents-hat the fum of 391,129 dollars 38 cents exceeds the whole amount of the balance reported to be due from any one of the ffates, and the aggregate amount of the whole of the balances, with the exception of the balance reported to he due from

he fum of 136,533 dollars 82 cents-That no other

flate has acceded to the terms offered by the faid act

the ifa e of Delaware The Committee, without entering into a discussion of the principles whereon the fett ement of the accounts by the commissioners was founded, remark-that a none of the flares but the flate of New-Y ork, has manifelted any disposition to pay the balances reported against them, whether the terms offered by the faid act of Congress operate favorally or not, and none of them have affented to the jullice or equity of the claim of the U States, and no means exist of execting payment, it feems unwife to keep alive a claim which cannot be enforced, and may have the effect of producing irritation and exciting discontent : and as the act of Congress has already released the flate of New-Yo k from fo large an amount, and enabled that flate, with advantage, to discharge the residue of the balance reported to be due from that flate, the committee are of opinion that a release of the balances due from the other flates is expedient, and for this purpole report a bill, which is fubmitted.

The above report was made Feb. 19, 1801, and the confideration thereof pollponed till the 3d day of March next.

REPORT.

The afting Secretary for the Department of Wor, in obedience to the direction of the House of Representatives, expressed in their refolution of the second instant, that he communicate to the House such information as may be in his power, in relation to the destruction of the books and papers in that department, by fire; delignating particularly, what description of books and papers has been lost thereby, and what the probable effect of fuch lofs will be in the adjustment of the unfettled accounts of the United States.

Respectfully Reports-That he has very little doubt that the fire which on the evening of the eighth of November last entirely dellroyed the house then occupied by the Department of War, was communicated from the adjoining house, as it was first discovered in the library which was errang d against the partition well directly behind the fire piace of that house, and at the distance of the whole width of the house (twesty-five or twenty fix icet) from the only fire place in the sportment a in which laft fire-place a fire not had been made on that day or for upward; of three weeks immediately pre-

ceding. That the rapadity with which a large library can tended the flames on the admiffion of fresh air into the room, entirely precluded the possibility of faving any books or papers that were deposited on the second of May and fixth of July one thouland feven hundred or third floor-the whole of the former, and one sparement on the latter, then being occupied as the Secretery's office.

3, 1803, and agreed to, and a committee appointed leafing and establishing of foundaties and armouries except one volume, in which the contracts and deeds to introduce a bill to that effect.—The house went shewing the quantity of cannon and arms purchased for lands fold to the United States were recorded