

that committee on the abuses in the New York cuatom house. It was generally believed throughout the country that the patronage of the government was used for mere partiaan purposes. He said in the olden times removals occurrence; only nine were removed during the eight years of Washington's administration, and only ten during that of the elder Adams. He contended that appointments to office should be upon the ground of fitness alone, and dwelt at length upon the evils of the present system of appointments. He was in favor of reform, and one long step towards it would be the passage of a bill disconnecting members of Congress from appointments to office. He referred to the Tammany frauds, and said it would have been impossible to perpetrate them but for this principle of partisanship in official positions. He closed his remarks with a /atrong appeal for reform in the ofvil service and the elevation of official integrity and public patronage. But unless there is purity in the administration of the government, the prediction of Clay, that the republic would go down in a despotism worse than that

Ramsey introduced a Bill to estab-lish the Territory of Ojibbeway, lying between the 46th and 49th parallels, and extending from Minnesots to Mon-

to the office of President or Vice Presi-dent of the United States. He also in-troduced a bill proposing an amend-ment touthe constitution prohibiting the intermarriage of whites and blacks, and authorizing the States to provide for the separate education of white and colored children. Conger introduced a bill to couplize

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