

CALENDAR. 1877.

Calendar table for March 1877 showing days of the week and dates.

By Telegraph.

CONGRESSIONAL.

WASHINGTON, 3.—(Windom, Dorey and Wallace were appointed a conference committee on the sundry civil appropriation bill.

Windom, from the conference committee on the sundry civil appropriation bill, submitted a report. He said the House undertook to reduce, by a very large vote, a number of salaries which were fixed by the compromise act last year.

Blaine and Mackey were appointed visiting Senators to the West Point Academy. The chair presented a communication from the Secretary of War enclosing a letter by the Secretary of the Treasury suggesting legislation to secure a reduction, to which the Government is entitled, for transportation of the mail by the recent Supreme Court decision.

The House bill passed without discussion and without yeas and nays, making all pensions for death of a soldier's death, or discharge from the service, and providing for the payment of all arrears on that basis.

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save his bill, saying it was probably the last bill he should ever make in the halls of legislation. He spoke for the rights of the poor soldiers, and if the country got into trouble again it would call upon those same men to protect and defend her honor.

Morton said he believed he had supported the administration of General Grant with reasonable fidelity. The course did not seem to himself bound by any vote message, except for the reasons it contained. He thought the President vetoed this bill for mistaken reasons.

Blaine, from the conference on the army appropriation bill, reported that the committee had disagreed on two points—the reduction of the army to 17,000 men, to which the Senate conference would not agree. The House bill forbidding the use of the army to support the claims of the rival governors and legislatures in Louisiana and South Carolina.

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having finished their business, were ready to adjourn. Anthony called up the resolution to print ten thousand extra copies of the proceedings of the electoral commission together with the returns from all the States submitted to said commission; agreed to.

The hour of 12 o'clock having arrived, President pro tem Ferry said, before the House adjourns, I cannot forego the privilege of expressing my deep sense of obligation to this body for the formal and expressive terms, just and liberal, which have characterized the confidence and support during the short but most trying session now about to close.

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The President's salary for four years. The motion to insist was agreed to by a six-vote vote. The conference report on the fortification appropriation bill was agreed to.

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Atkins—I am glad the gentleman makes a disclaimer, because I want to say that I am for the flag, I am for the Union, I am for the Constitution. If the gentleman for the Committee on the subject of the bill, I am for the flag, I am for the Union, I am for the Constitution.

House of Tennessee, moved to suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill to pay Parks Johnson, of Tennessee, \$50,000 for the use of Bersard's corps in the fortifications around Knoxville. The vote by tellers, resulted in yeas 38, nays 23.

Morrison, from the last conference committee on the House bill, reported. He said there were several subjects in controversy, but all might be accommodated except one, and that was the fifth section, which provided for the army in Louisiana and South Carolina, and in order that the House might know exactly on what its conferees insisted, he had reduced to writing the message of the President on the subject, and sent it to the clerk's desk.

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