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**FORTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS.**  
**SENATE.**  
WASHINGTON, 11.—Nearly every  
Senator present having submitted  
petitions for a commission on al-  
cohol liquor traffic. Blair said it was  
evidence of the universal demand  
for legislation on the subject.  
Morgan offered a resolution di-  
recting the woman suffrage com-  
mittee to inquire into suffrage in Utah,  
and reported a bill to amend an ex-  
isting law relating to suffrage of  
Utah women. The resolution went  
over to the next day.

The committee on claims unani-  
mously oppose the claim of Warren  
Mitchell for \$129,000 converted into  
the treasury as proceeds of cotton  
taken from him at Savannah. Sen.  
Sherman during the war.

West spoke on the Sherman re-  
funding bill.

The democratic bills of the last  
year have saved the country \$75,-  
000,000.

The president pro tem. announced  
a special committee on rights of  
citizens of the late Superintendent of  
thony, Ferry, Blair, George, Jackson  
and Fair.

Anthony introduced a bill provid-  
ing for the retirement of any person  
who served 50 years or upwards in  
either house of Congress.

On motion of Pendleton the House  
resolution for the recognition of ser-  
vices of the late Superintendent of  
Coast Survey, Carlisle F. Patterson,  
was concurred in.

Minutes of the general assembly of  
the Presbyterian Church of the United  
States in session at Buffalo, N. Y.,  
last May, condemning polygamy was  
submitted.

Morgan had read a petition from  
the members of the Omaha tribe of  
Indians, praying Congress to grant  
each one of them clear and full title  
to land on which he has worked.  
Fifty-two signed. The petition set  
forth that they have taken out cer-  
tificates of allotment of land under  
the act of March 3, 1875, and have  
entered upon claims within the  
limits of the Omaha reservation,  
have worked upon their respective  
lands from three to ten years and  
that each of them had from five to  
fifty acres under cultivation, etc.

Daves complained of laxness of  
the Indian Commissioners in this  
matter, and asked that the petition  
be referred to the committee on Indian  
affairs.

Morgan offered a resolution  
which was laid over to be printed,  
directing the special committee on  
woman suffrage to inquire into the  
matter of suffrage in Utah and re-  
port a bill to set aside any existing  
laws conferring suffrage upon wo-  
men of that Territory.

Brown offered a resolution which  
was laid over, supplying each Sen-  
ator, not a chairman of a committee,  
with a clerk. Adjourned.

**HOUSE.**  
WASHINGTON, 11.—Orth offered a  
resolution instructing the civil ser-  
vice committee to inquire into the  
experience of the civil service com-  
missioners in the appointment of com-  
missioners of the House, with leave to report  
any time.

The speaker said it would be re-  
ferred to the committee on rules.

Orth objected, and moved to re-  
fer to the civil service committee.

Motion lost—87 to 65.

The motion was defeated—yeas  
85, nays 139, and the resolution was  
referred to the committee on rules.

Haskell then rose to a question of  
privileges and sent to the clerk's  
desk a resolution which he had con-  
sidered yesterday, declaring it to be  
the fixed and final determination of  
the 47th Congress that no person main-  
taining polygamous marital re-  
lations or teaching or inciting others  
to do so, is entitled to be admitted  
to the House of Representatives as  
delegate from any Territory.

Haskell did not think the resolu-  
tion came within the rules as a ques-  
tion of privileges. If it ever had on  
such question, it was not so now.  
The House had referred the conten-  
tious case to the committee on elec-  
tions and so far as the House was  
concerned, the question must be  
considered as *res adjudicata*.

Haskell contended the resolution  
presented a question of the highest  
importance, as much as it affected  
the dignity of the House. It has  
been charged by the public press  
that while polygamists were in  
fall, while polygamists were in  
Congress, the House had refused to  
take action on the floor of Congress.  
That was a charge affecting the dig-  
nity of the House and all houses of  
Congress. This question should not  
be decided by a committee, but should  
be decided by the House, and should  
be decided by a vote of the House.  
Canon took the ground that the  
question was not one of privilege,  
inasmuch as whether adopted or re-  
jected it could have no effect upon  
any one.

Haskell declared his resolution did  
not propose a law, it simply asked  
the House to express an opinion on  
the question of polygamy.

The speaker said the resolution pre-  
sented a privileged question.

By a vote of yeas 109, nays 133,  
the House determined not to ques-  
tion the privilege of the House.

Haskell, chairman of the com-  
mittee on post offices and post-  
roads, reported back his resolution  
calling on the House to appropriate  
to the House a letter of detailed  
statements of all the mail mat-  
ters in which transportation ser-  
vice has been discontinued, de-  
scribed, changed, increased, or im-  
proved, or established since March  
1st, 1861. Adopted.

The chairman of the committee on  
appropriations reported a bill  
for the final expenses of the tenth  
census, and gave notice that he  
would tomorrow ask to have the  
bill considered.

Several bills were introduced, and  
the committee on claims was placed  
upon the principal calendar, which

only considered on Friday of each  
week.

A bill to incorporate the Garfield  
Memorial Hospital was placed on  
the calendar.

Burrows asked leave to introduce  
and put on its passage a bill defin-  
ing the qualifications of Territorial  
Delegates. It provides no person  
shall be eligible to represent a Ter-  
ritory under 25 years, and seven years  
a citizen of the United States, and  
no person living in bigamy or poly-  
gamy be eligible.

Armfield and Singleton objected,  
and Burrows stated he had mis-  
taken the sentiment of the other  
side, and gave notice that he  
would introduce the bill again on  
Monday.

Ward introduced a bill providing  
for a commission to consider and re-  
port what legislation is necessary for  
better regulation of commerce among  
States. Referred.

Mr. Wilson offered a resolution  
calling on the Secretary of War for  
information as to what additional  
work is necessary at the fall of the  
Ohio River to complete the im-  
provement of navigation.

Cobb offered a resolution calling  
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persons who prosecute claims for  
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Adopted.

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