

which the House seconded by 90 to 59. Several dilatory motions were voted down and the main question was ordered. Davis' amendment was rejected, and the bill and Logan's amendment were referred; 95 to 59; only 10 Democrats voted in the negative. Adjourned.

Yesterday the House committee on commerce voted the report with the amendments of the Senate of the bill to protect the fur seals, at seasons unsuitable for killing, after a stormy debate. There is but a small chance of the bill passing both Houses the present session.

Banks, from the committee on foreign affairs, reported a joint resolution declaring sympathy with the people of Cuba, that Congress will sustain the President when he deems it expedient to recognize the independence and sovereignty of the republican government.

Pomeroy introduced a bill to protect the rights of actual settlers on the public domain.

Cessina from the committee on elections reported that Covode had a prima facie right to a seat from the 21st district of Pennsylvania.

Paine, on behalf of four members of the committee made an opposite report; both were ordered printed.

Butler called up a motion to reconsider the vote referring to the Tenure of Office Repeal Bill. The Judiciary Committee suggested an additional House bill section, requiring the President to return the nominations to Congress within thirty days, after their being made. Considerable sparring ensued, Garfield and Farnsworth speaking of Butler, Logan and others as having allied themselves with the Democrats on this measure; which charge Logan refuted. After considerable discussion back and forth, in which a slight passage at arms occurred between Butler and Bingham, Butler moved the previous question, which the House refused to second, Democrats voting no—a circumstance to which Butler called their attention, asking, where are our allies now. Bingham made an hour's speech in favor of concurring with the Senate Amendment, arguing that it was a substantial repeal of the law. The debate was continued by Davis, Hotchkiss, Garfield, Schenck, Blair and others. Finally, at 5 o'clock, the debate closed. The vote of reference was reconsidered. The House refused to concur with the Senate amendment; seventy yeas, ninety-nine nays. The bill goes back to the Senate as a simple repeal of the law; adjourned till Monday.

#### GENERAL.

The Richmond *Whig* says there will be a large immigration to Virginia this season, from Europe. Northern men are also prospecting for a settlement.

Memphis.—The *Appeal's* Little Rock special says Government has notified the Legislature that martial law is removed from Crittenden county; the last one in the State; recommending the re-establishment of a court of claims. Both houses agreed to adjourn till April 1st.

Chicago.—The *Tribune's* Omaha special says that the Union Pacific Railroad commenced running passengers and mails to Ogden on Thursday.

A dispatch from Georgetown, Colorado, says that the greatest yield of silver for the same number of tons ever worked in Colorado, and the heaviest button silver finished in one cupelle in America was taken from Brown & Co.'s lode. Twenty-nine tons of ore was reduced in one cupelle, yielding a button weighing 532 pounds of silver, which was shipped to Philadelphia for coinage.

Private letters received here from Cuba represent the cause of the insurgents as favorable. It is considered impossible for the Spaniards to suppress the insurrection. The insurgents maintain themselves. They number more than half the island, outside of the principal cities, and their numbers are constantly increasing.

New York, 23.—Several passengers on the ship *James Foster*, made affidavit yesterday, charging the carpenter with the murder of two persons, and the boatswain with the murder of a seaman. It is also alleged that other officers of the ship were implicated in these murders. The first mate died at his residence in Brooklyn on Sunday.

The news boys at the Brooklyn lodging house, yesterday, raised a rebellion because a negro boy was allowed to lodge there. The police quelled it.

Governor Hoffman promised to preside at a Fenian reception of Cannon and Costello.

It is reported that James Fisk is negotiating for the purchase of the New York *Commercial Advertiser*. Fisk says he is determined at least to own two daily papers.

Charleston.—The *News* publishes a letter announcing the arrival at Cuba of the American expeditionary force in aid of the revolutionists. The force is said to be composed mainly of officers and men who served in the Federal and Confederate armies during the late war. Commanded by Gen. Henningsen of Nicaragua fame.

Memphis.—A fight occurred between a body of disguised men and several federal soldiers at Batesville, Miss., on Saturday night. One of the maskers was captured after some sharp firing. The maskers were endeavoring to lynch a negro in the neighborhood.

It is reported that the Tennessee militia lost 15 killed in an encounter with armed men at Woodville. It is not fully confirmed. Considerable excitement and anxiety prevails in that vicinity.

Washington.—Chas. Wilder, colored, has been recommended by the South Carolina Congressional Delegation for Post-master of Columbia.

Washington.—The statement from Charleston that Gen. Henningsen is commanding the American expedition in Cuba is incorrect. The General is now in Washington.

The representative of the Cuban Provisional Government is expected here to-morrow.

Washington, 22.—The Senatorial Republican caucus, after two hours session on the Tenure of Office bill, adjourned without action. Morton, Grimes and Sprague withdrew, refusing to bind themselves to the action of the caucus. It is generally believed that the law will be suspended for four years.

Admiral Hoff writes that Salnave is besieging Aux Cayes, and would soon bombard the place.

San Francisco.—Charles A. C. Dussenberry, appointed consul for the North German Confederation for California, has entered upon the duties of his position.

Oregon papers report that smoke is issuing from Mounts Hood, Jefferson and the Three Sisters; they apprehend earthquakes in consequence.

Legal tenders 77½. Another section, of twenty miles, of the Central Pacific Railroad, was completed yesterday, making 590 miles of track, east of Sacramento.

The White Pine excitement is undiminished, and notwithstanding the bitter cold weather and heavy snow storms prevailing there the rush of people is unabated, and indeed is increasing. New and rich discoveries are daily reported. Although a hundred companies have already been incorporated here to work the White Pine mines, companies are still being incorporated at the rate of three to five per day.

Late Alaska advices say that business is dull and the Indians quiet. Heavy shocks of earthquake were felt at Choumangan Island and the north-east harbor, on Feb. 29.

The residence of Mr. Stevenson, at Eugene city, Oregon, was burned on March 18th; Mrs. Stevenson and three children perished in the flames.

Boston, 23.—The Aldermen, after hearing the remonstrance against the erection of a building on the Common, for a peace jubilee, have resolved to adhere to the original order granting the right.

St. Louis.—Movements are afoot in this and other cities to call an Irish National Convention, with the object of forming a Central Bureau in New York, with auxiliary societies in all the States, for the purpose of furnishing aid and information to Irish people desiring to settle in this country, on the general plan of emigration societies.

Gen. Custar was heard from on the 6th of March, he was getting along finely.

Steamers for the Upper Missouri are being repaired at Sioux City.

New York.—The report that Wm. M. Tweed, jr., has been appointed receiver for the Union Pacific Railroad is erroneous. Tweed was temporarily appointed receiver for the *Credit Mobilier*.

New York.—At a large meeting of members of the Produce Exchange, resolutions were adopted favoring a reform in the management of canals, and the improvement in canals to obtain the maximum capacity in transportation so as to reduce the cost of transportation and prevent diversion of trade.

Richmond.—The police last night arrested Gov. Wells and H. C. Bond, register of bankruptcy, and L. E. Dudley, Secretary of the State central committee, on the charge of purloining from the post office a letter written by the ex-Secretary of the Republican central committee to Edgar Allen, ex-member of the constitutional convention. The parties were before United States Com-

missioner Cahoon to-day, and gave bail to appear to-morrow.

Washington.—The President to-day nominated J. Bancroft Davis assistant Secretary of State; he also made a number of revenue appointments. The President made a number of appointments as midshipmen at the naval academy.

Lewis Downing, Chief of the Cherokees, in a memorial, calls the attention of Congress to the recent treaties which have been made with various Indian tribes with the view of settling them on the Cherokee domain. He says these were made in plain violation of the Cherokee treaty of '66; the Cherokees earnestly desire to carry out the provisions of the treaty with the utmost good faith, but he fears it will be beyond his power to restrain them from resisting all encroachments of other Indians.

A bill, introduced into the Senate, to-day, authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury, whenever he deems it for the public interest, to prepay the interest on the public debt for a period not exceeding one year, upon interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum.

Baltimore.—An Israelite named Hirst committed suicide yesterday by hanging himself in the Hebrew Synagogue.

New York.—Ten ladies graduated at the Medical College for women, yesterday.

The ship carpenters employed on the Stevens Battery, Hoboken, have been discharged because they objected to a reduction of wages.

Chicago.—The *Tribune's* special says the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations have agreed to report favorably upon the treaty for the adjustment of the claims with Mexico. There will be one commissioner for each side, with an umpire. Mexico has already ratified the treaty.

Secretary Boutwell believes the Treasury Department can be conducted so as to bring our bonds to par in foreign markets at an early day. Letters from well-informed sources confirm this belief, and all indications point to the speedy advance of our bonds.

The *Republican's* special says the Reconstruction Committee, after a protracted discussion, have authorized General Butler to report the bill for the organization of a provisional government for Mississippi. The bill provides for a Constitutional Convention, elected under the reconstruction act, be authorized to assemble forthwith to exercise the power to appoint a provisional government and to submit to the people the Constitution heretofore framed, with or without amendment. The provisional government will be subject to removal by the President. The ordinances passed by the convention will be enforced until discharged by Congress, or until Mississippi adopts a State Constitution which shall be approved by Congress.

Washington.—The Treasury Department has received information that the United States Marshal of Georgia, has absconded with a hundred thousand of the public money.

Memphis.—The Little Rock special says, that Gov. Clayton, of Arkansas, has directed all the military prisoners in Crittenden County be turned over to the civil authorities.

Chicago.—The *Republican's* Washington special says, that Secretary Bovie recommends the repeal of the eight hour law, so far as relates to the navy employees.

Washington.—The President nominated Giles A. Smith, of Illinois, Second Assistant Postmaster-General; Moses G. Grinnell, Collector of Customs at New York; and several collectors of Internal Revenue and Postmasters.

Amasa Walker has written a long letter to Garfield, chairman of the House Banking Committee, submitting another plan for the resumption of specie payments. He proposes to effect this by means of compound interest notes to the amount of greenbacks in circulation, convertible into ten-forties at five per cent.

New York.—The case of Fisk against the U. P. R. directors has been transferred to the United States Circuit Court by order of Judge Blatchford.

Memphis.—A Little Rock special says that the new registration law has passed the House. The Senate has appointed a special committee to investigate the outrages by the militia in Eastern Arkansas. The *Republican* calls on the Legislature to pass a militia indemnity bill to protect Upman and Catterson from persecutions.

Providence, 24.—The Democratic State Convention has nominated Lyman Pierce, of Providence, Governor; Lt.-Gov. Wm. H. Allen; Secretary of State, Wm. J. Miller; Attorney-General, Geo. W. Bliss; Treasurer, Caleb Ryder. The Senate has postponed the

consideration of the 15th amendment till the May session.

Chicago.—A statement is published denouncing as false, the recent communication published in the Chicago papers describing the alleged maltreatment of passengers on the Union Pacific Road. The statement says the letter was written in the interest of a rival enterprise, and was signed by many, ignorant of its contents. The allegations regarding the sufferings of the passengers and the inhumanity of the railroad employees are characterized as a baseless fabrication.

Washington, 27.—The case of Francis P. Blair, Jr., against John S. Thompson *et al*, was argued in the Supreme Court to-day by Montgomery Blair for the plaintiff, Senator Drake for the defendant. The case involves the constitutionality of the test oath in Missouri.

Trenton, N. J.—The Governor sent the 15th amendment to the Legislature to-day with a message, giving his reasons why it should not be ratified by New Jersey.

New York.—A man who had been in the sewers twenty-four hours, emerged to-day, having found a quantity of watches, jewelry and other valuables.

Judge Ingraham, of the Supreme Court, has affirmed the validity of the will of Jas. T. Roosevelt, who left the bulk of his property to the foundling hospital.

Kansas City.—Colonel Williams, editor of the *Bulletin*, and Major Whalegan of the *Times*, went to a point near Wyandotte yesterday, to fight a duel with double barreled shot guns, at thirty paces. The Sheriff heard of the affair and arrested both parties. The affair originated in mutual personal strictures published in their respective journals.

Indianapolis.—All the Democratic members of the legislature who resigned to prevent the ratification of the fifteenth amendment were returned at the special election yesterday, the Republicans making no opposition. The Governor has called the Legislature for April 8th.

Saratoga.—The St. Nicholas Hall was burned this morning; loss \$20,000. Insured.

Washington.—The Republican caucus, this morning, agreed on a report to the Judiciary Committee on the Tenure of Office question. The main features of the report are as follows:

The President is to have power to remove cabinet or other civil officers during the session of the Senate, without giving any reason for doing so, providing the Senate fill the vacancies; and during the recess the President may suspend and appoint to office until the end of the next session, but within thirty days after the commencement of the session he shall report these suspensions to the Senate, and if that body, by a direct affirmative vote refuse to concur, the suspended officers shall be reinstated; if the matter be simply passed over the officer shall not be reinstated.

San Francisco, 24.—The Indians in Humboldt county, California, who lately committed outrages on the settlers, attacked a government transportation train and killed ten mules and wounded a number more; the loss is about twelve thousand dollars.

From all parts there are encouraging accounts regarding the prospects of crops; the yield of wheat and barley promises to be largely in excess of any former year.

Chicago.—The *Times* special says the preliminary report of C. H. Snow, special commissioner appointed by President Johnson to inspect the Union Pacific Railroad, has been submitted by President Grant to the Secretary of the Interior. From the beginning to the end it is an attack upon the road.

It is stated that Col. Eli Parker has been decided to be a citizen, although an Indian. He will be appointed an Indian commissioner.

It is stated that Ashby of Ohio, will be appointed Governor of Montana.

The accredited minister of the Cuban revolutionary government has arrived to ask recognition for the insurgent government. It seems certain that the recognition feeling is gaining ground in Congress.

The *Republican* special says the House Appropriation Committee has agreed to postpone several deficiency bills until next session. The government of Massachusetts has tendered Hoar's place on the Supreme bench to Congressman Dawes.

The Quaker delegation had an interview with the President to-day, one of their best men will be made superintendent of some Indian agency, with quaker subordinates. If this plan work well a large number of Quaker appointments will be made next fall.