

for the relief of Mrs. Willie Belger Morse—to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. TODD: Petition of Frank D. Warren, of C. B. Wheeler Post, No. 383, Grand Army of the Republic, and 52 citizens of the State of Michigan, in support of House bill No. 10416, for the relief of Henry Myers—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. VINCENT: Paper to accompany House bill No. 11214, for the relief of Mary Soupene, of Manhattan, Kans.—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, papers to accompany House bill No. 11304, for the relief of Charles Lewis Roper, of Pittsburg, Kans.—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, December 21, 1898.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. W. H. MILBURN, D. D.

The Secretary proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on motion of Mr. FAULKNER, and by unanimous consent, the further reading was dispensed with.

BREECH-LOADING MECHANISM.

The VICE-PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting, in response to a resolution of the 14th instant, certain information relative to the royalties paid for the use of certain breech-loading mechanism for guns, etc.; which, with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE FOR ALASKA.

The VICE-PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication from the Attorney-General, transmitting the report of the commission appointed pursuant to the act of June 4, 1897, to revise and codify the criminal and penal laws of the United States relative to a code of civil procedure for the district of Alaska; which, with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to be printed.

PRESIDENTIAL APPROVALS.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. O. L. PRUDEN, one of his secretaries, announced that the President had on this day approved and signed the following acts:

An act (S. 95) to amend the laws relating to American seamen, for the protection of such seamen, and to promote commerce;

An act (S. 622) concerning sail vessels of over 700 tons, and for other purposes;

An act (S. 3941) regulating the inspection of flour in the District of Columbia;

An act (S. 4080) providing for a national exposition of American products and manufactures at the city of Philadelphia for the encouragement of the export trade;

An act (S. 4326) to regulate the sitting of the United States courts within the district of South Carolina;

An act (S. 4717) authorizing the use of typewriting machines for the recording of deeds and other instruments of writing in the office of the recorder of deeds of the District of Columbia; and

An act (S. 4812) to pay J. & W. Seligman & Co. the sum of \$1,794.56 for certain coupons detached from United States bonds, which said coupons were lost on the Cunard steamship *Oregon*, sunk at sea March 14, 1886.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. W. J. BROWNING, its Chief Clerk, announced that the House had passed the following bill and joint resolutions:

A bill (S. 4891) to authorize the Choctaw and Memphis Railroad Company to construct bridges across the Arkansas and other navigable rivers in the State of Arkansas; and

A joint resolution (S. R. 16) providing for estimate of cost of certain improvements of Bridgeport Harbor, Connecticut.

The message also announced that the House had passed the following joint resolutions; in which it requested the concurrence of the Senate:

A joint resolution (H. Res. 274) for the improvement of the harbor at Racine, Wis.;

A joint resolution (H. Res. 275) for the improvement of the harbor at Kenosha, Wis.;

A joint resolution (H. Res. 299) asking for preliminary survey of Ohio River at or near Cincinnati; and

A joint resolution (H. Res. 313) directing the Secretary of War to submit a report of survey and estimate for the improvement of the east channel in New York Harbor.

The message further announced that the House had passed a concurrent resolution authorizing the Secretary of War to prepare and submit estimates of the cost of dredging Cleveland Harbor, etc.; in which it requested the concurrence of the Senate.

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PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

Mr. FAIRBANKS presented a petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Plainfield, Ind., and a petition of the Quarterly Meetings and Bible School Conference of the Friends Church, of Plainfield, Ind., praying for the enactment of legislation to prohibit the sale of liquor in canteens of the Army and Navy and of Soldiers' Homes, and in immigrant stations and Government buildings; which were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. PLATT of New York presented petitions of the congregation of the Presbyterian Church of Williamson and of sundry citizens of Waverly, Hope, Solvay, and Elmira, all in the State of New York, praying for the enactment of legislation to prohibit the sale of liquor in canteens of the Army and Navy and of Soldiers' Homes, and in immigrant stations and Government buildings; which were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. HALE presented a petition of the State Board of Trade of Maine, praying for the establishment of a light-ship off the entrance of Portland Harbor, in that State; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

He also presented a petition of sundry citizens of Island Falls, Me., praying for the enactment of legislation to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors, including wine and beer, except for medicinal and mechanical purposes, and that in the election of officers to enforce this law votes of women shall be counted the same as those of men; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor.

He also presented a petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Maine, and the petition of Thomas J. Hardy and sundry other citizens of Maine, praying for the enactment of legislation to prohibit the sale of liquor in canteens of the Army and Navy and of Soldiers' Homes, and in immigrant stations and Government buildings; which were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. QUAY presented a petition of members of the Presbyterian Sunday school of New Alexandria, Pa., praying for the enactment of legislation to prohibit the sale of liquor in canteens of the Army and Navy and of Soldiers' Homes, and in immigrant stations and Government buildings; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

DIVISION OF MINES AND MINING.

Mr. STEWART. I ask to have printed the report of the Director of the United States Geological Survey on the joint resolution (S. R. 205) to provide for the division of mines and mining in the United States Geological Survey.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. If there is no objection, the order to print will be made.

THE NICARAGUA CANAL.

Mr. PETTIGREW. I ask unanimous consent to have an article in regard to the Nicaragua Canal, prepared by Henry L. Abbot, who is a retired engineer of the general Army and one of the ablest engineers in this country, published as a document.

Mr. GALLINGER. In favor of the project?

Mr. PETTIGREW. No; against it.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Is there objection to the request made by the Senator from South Dakota? The Chair hears none, and the order is made.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. CULLOM, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, to whom was referred the bill (S. 4893) to provide a government for the Territory of Hawaii, reported it with amendments.

Mr. McLAURIN, from the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 6371) for the benefit of J. C. Rudd, reported it without amendment, and submitted a report thereon.

Mr. WARREN. I am directed by the Committee on Irrigation and Reclamation of Arid Lands, to whom was referred the bill (S. 4925) granting 2,000,000 acres of land to the State of Nevada for irrigation purposes, to report it with amendments. The committee will present a report at a later date.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The bill will be placed on the Calendar.

Mr. McMILLAN, from the Committee on the District of Columbia, to whom was referred the bill (S. 4148) to establish a board of charities for the District of Columbia, reported it without amendment, and submitted a report thereon.

Mr. VEST, from the Committee on Commerce, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 9281) authorizing the construction of three bridges across the Conecuh River, a navigable stream in Escambia County, Ala., reported it without amendment.

Mr. HAWLEY, from the Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (S. 3200) for the relief of Sarah K. McLean, widow of the late Lieut. Col. Nathaniel H. McLean, reported it without amendment, and submitted a report thereon.

GENERAL ORDERS AND FORMS IN BANKRUPTCY.

Mr. LODGE, from the Committee on Printing, reported the following resolution; which was considered by unanimous consent, and agreed to:

Resolved, That there be printed for the use of the Senate 5,000 copies, with suitable paper cover, of the General Orders and Forms in Bankruptcy, adopted and established by the Supreme Court of the United States November 23, 1898.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. HALE introduced a bill (S. 5074) fixing the pay of certain chiefs of bureaus in the Navy Department when retired; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

Mr. ALLEN introduced a bill (S. 5075) to construct and maintain postal telegraph and telephone lines, and to authorize the purchase of telegraph and telephone lines now in existence, and to fix reasonable rates for the use of the same; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Post-Offices and Post-Roads.

He also introduced a bill (S. 5076) authorizing the Sioux City and Omaha Railway Company to construct and operate a railway through the Omaha and Winnebago Reservation, in Thurston County, Nebr., and for other purposes; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Mr. MCENERY introduced a bill (S. 5077) for the relief of Anna Elisabeth Jamison, executrix of the estate of Samuel Jamison, deceased; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. DEBOE introduced a bill (S. 5078) for the relief of the estate of James A. Gregory; which was read twice by its title, and, with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Claims.

He also introduced a bill (S. 5079) granting a pension to Richard Stevens; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

He also introduced a bill (S. 5080) granting a pension to John H. James; which was read twice by its title, and, with the accompanying paper, referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. WELLINGTON introduced a bill (S. 5081) authorizing the board of control of the Rock Creek Park to construct a roadway across said park; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

Mr. TELLER introduced a bill (S. 5082) granting a pension to James H. Hower; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

He also introduced a bill (S. 5083) granting an increase of pension to Jasper Pitts; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

He also introduced a bill (S. 5084) for the relief of F. A. Land; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. McBRIDE introduced a bill (S. 5085) to remove the charge of desertion from Maurice D. Roberts, deceased; which was read twice by its title, and, with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

He also introduced a bill (S. 5086) for the purchase or construction of a steam launch for the customs service at and in the vicinity of Astoria, Oreg.; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. CAFFERY introduced a bill (S. 5087) for the erection of a monument to the memory of the soldiers that fell at the battle of New Orleans in 1815; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on the Library.

Mr. NELSON introduced a bill (S. 5088) to amend section 27, chapter 2, of the laws of 1871 (amended 1872), entitled "Apportionment and election of Representatives," which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

AMENDMENTS TO BILLS.

Mr. McBRIDE submitted an amendment providing for an appropriation of \$200,000 toward the construction of a dry dock of granite or sandstone, or of concrete faced with granite or sandstone, at such point on the Columbia River, Oregon, as shall be selected, intended to be proposed by him to the naval appropriation bill; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

He also submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill (S. 3057) to provide for telegraphic communication between the United States of America, the Hawaiian Islands, Japan, China, and Australasia, and to promote commerce; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, and ordered to be printed.

ROBERT CAMERON, JR.

Mr. GEAR. I submitted yesterday an amendment intended to be proposed by me to the general deficiency appropriation bill for the allowance of an additional bounty to Robert Cameron, Jr., now an occupant of the Soldiers' Home at Marshalltown, Iowa, which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations. I ask to have the reference changed, and that the proposed amendment be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Is there objection to the change of reference suggested by the Senator from Iowa? The Chair hears none, and that order will be made.

Mr. DANIEL. I ask that the Senate proceed to the consideration of resolution 433, offered by the Senator from Vermont [Mr. PROCTOR], with respect to sending a special committee to the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Will the Senator from Virginia withhold his request until the morning business is concluded?

Mr. DANIEL. Very well.

AMENDMENT OF THE RULES.

Mr. CHANDLER. In behalf of the Senator from Montana [Mr. CARTER], who is detained from the Senate by sickness, I desire to offer a resolution for reference to the Committee on Rules.

The resolution was read, as follows:

Resolved, That paragraph 1 of Rule XVI of the standing rules of the Senate be amended by striking out the words "All general appropriation bills shall be referred to the Committee on Appropriations, except bills making appropriations for rivers and harbors, which shall be referred to the Committee on Commerce and" and inserting the following:

"The general appropriation bills shall be referred to committees as follows:

"To the Committee on Appropriations: The bills for legislative, executive, and judicial expenses, for sundry civil expenses, and for all deficiencies;

"To the Committee on Agriculture: The bill for the Agricultural Department;

"To the Committee on Foreign Relations: The consular and diplomatic bill;

"To the Committee on Military Affairs: The bill for the military establishment, including the Military Academy;

"To the Committee on Naval Affairs: The bill for the naval establishment;

"To the Committee on Post-Offices and Post-Roads: The Post-Office appropriation bill;

"To the Committee on Indian Affairs: The bill for Indians and Indian tribes;

"To the Committee on Commerce: The bill for rivers and harbors;

"To the Committee on Coast Defenses: The fortifications bill;

"To the Committee on the District of Columbia: The bill making appropriations for the District; and

"To the Committee on Pensions: The pension appropriation bill."

The purpose of the foregoing amendment of Standing Rule No. 16 is to commit the consideration of each appropriation bill to that committee having charge under the existing orders of the Senate of the subject to which the appropriations in the bill relate, and thereby to facilitate and expedite the business of the Senate.

Mr. VEST. I wish to call the attention of the Senator from New Hampshire to the fact that that is a simple repetition of the existing rule so far as the Committee on Commerce and the river and harbor bill are concerned. That bill goes now to the Committee on Commerce, and never has gone anywhere else.

Mr. CHANDLER. It is a simple repetition and will do no harm. I ask that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Rules.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Without objection, that will be the order.

Mr. CHANDLER. I also offer a notice, which I ask may be read and referred to the Committee on Rules.

The notice was read, and referred to the Committee on Rules, as follows:

Notice is hereby given of an intention to move to amend paragraph 1 of Rule XVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate by striking out all of said rule down to the words "no amendments shall be received," in the fourth line, and inserting the following:

"The general appropriation bill shall be referred to committees as follows:

"To the Committee on Appropriations: The bills for legislative, executive, and judicial expenses, for sundry civil expenses, and for all deficiencies;

"To the Committee on Agriculture: The bill for the Agricultural Department;

"To the Committee on Foreign Relations: The consular and diplomatic bill;

"To the Committee on Military Affairs: The bill for the military establishment, including the Military Academy;

"To the Committee on Naval Affairs: The bill for the naval establishment;

"To the Committee on Post-Offices and Post-Roads: The Post-Office appropriation bill;

"To the Committee on Indian Affairs: The bill for Indians and Indian tribes;

"To the Committee on Commerce: The bill for rivers and harbors;

"To the Committee on Coast Defenses: The fortifications bill;

"To the Committee on the District of Columbia: The bill making appropriations for the District; and

"To the Committee on Pensions: The pension appropriation bill."

The purpose of the foregoing amendment is to commit the consideration of each appropriation bill to that committee having charge, under the existing orders of the Senate, of the subject to which the appropriations in the bills relate, and thereby to facilitate and expedite the business of the Senate.

UNITED STATES OF CENTRAL AMERICA.

Mr. MORGAN submitted the following resolution; which was considered by unanimous consent, and agreed to:

Resolved, That the President is requested, if it is not inconsistent with the public service, to inform the Senate whether authentic information is in possession of the Government as to the alleged dissolution of the Government of the United States of Central America.

THE NICARAGUA CANAL.

Mr. MORGAN submitted the following resolution; which was considered by unanimous consent, and agreed to:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Construction of the Nicaragua Canal is authorized to sit in the recess of the Senate, or when the Senate is in session, and to send for persons and papers, and to administer oaths to witnesses and examine them touching any agreement or combination of any persons or corporations in reference to the proposed canal through the Republic of Nicaragua, entered into for the purpose of defeating or controlling the construction of such canal for the personal emolument or advantage of such person or for the benefit of such corporation.

ADULTERATION OF ARTICLES OF FOOD AND DRINK.

Mr. MASON submitted the following resolution; which was considered by unanimous consent, and agreed to:

Whereas it is and has been for years publicly charged that in the manufacture of articles of food and drink many manufacturers of the United States who transport their goods from one State to another do most grossly adulterate such products, to the serious detriment of the public health and to the defrauding of purchasers: Therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee on Manufactures of the Senate is hereby authorized and directed to investigate and ascertain what, if any, manufacturers are adulterating food and drink products, and which, if any, of said products are deleterious to public health, and which, if any, of said products are frauds upon the purchasers.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED.

The following joint resolutions were severally read twice by their titles, and referred to the Committee on Commerce:

A joint resolution (H. Res. 274) for the improvement of the harbor at Racine, Wis.;

A joint resolution (H. Res. 275) for the improvement of the harbor at Kenosha, Wis.;

A joint resolution (H. Res. 299) asking for preliminary survey of Ohio River at or near Cincinnati; and

A joint resolution (H. Res. 313) directing the Secretary of War to submit a report of survey and estimate for the improvement of the east channel in New York Harbor.

HARBOR OF CAPE PORPOISE, ME.

The VICE-PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following concurrent resolution of the House of Representatives; which was read, and referred to the Committee on Commerce:

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of War be directed to submit an estimate of the probable cost of improving the harbor of Cape Porpoise, Me., in accordance with the recommendations contained in the report of Col. P. C. Hains, dated October 23, 1894, now on file at the War Department.

DEEP CREEK, VIRGINIA.

The VICE-PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following concurrent resolution of the House of Representatives; which was read, and referred to the Committee on Commerce:

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, directed to prepare and submit an estimate of the cost of widening and deepening Deep Creek, Virginia, from the South Branch of the Elizabeth River to the new lock at the Dismal Swamp Canal.

CLEVELAND HARBOR.

The VICE-PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following concurrent resolution of the House of Representatives; which was read, and referred to the Committee on Commerce:

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to prepare and submit estimates of the cost of dredging Cleveland Harbor in accordance with the recommendations of Col. Jared A. Smith, local engineer, in his report for the year 1893.

REMAINS OF LATE MAJOR-GENERAL RAWLINS.

Mr. HAWLEY. I respectfully ask leave to call up a very brief measure that I think no one will object to. It is on the Calendar.

Mr. GALLINGER. Pending the request, I desire to suggest that on yesterday unanimous consent was granted that after the routine morning business was concluded to-day the remaining pension cases on the Calendar should be considered. I do not object to this measure, but I want to reserve the rights that were accorded to the Committee on Pensions yesterday.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Chair understands that unanimous consent was given yesterday that immediately after the routine business to-day the Private Pension Calendar should be taken up. Does the Senator from Connecticut withdraw his request?

Mr. GALLINGER. I will yield for that purpose, understanding that the joint resolution will not lead to debate.

Mr. HAWLEY. I ask the Senate to proceed to the consideration of the joint resolution (S. R. 151) providing for the removal of the remains of the late Maj. Gen. John A. Rawlins from the Congressional Cemetery to the national cemetery at Arlington, Va., together with the base and granite shaft now marking the spot.

There being no objection, the Senate, as in Committee of the Whole, proceeded to consider the joint resolution, which had been reported from the Committee on Military Affairs with an amendment, in line 10, page 1, after the word "dollars," to insert the words "or so much thereof as may be needed;" so as to make the joint resolution read:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, etc., That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, directed to cause the remains of the late

Maj. Gen. John A. Rawlins to be removed from the Congressional Cemetery in this city to the national cemetery at Arlington, Va., together with the base and granite shaft now marking the spot, and which were erected by the children, relatives, and friends of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Resolved, That the sum of \$500, or so much thereof as may be needed, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated, for the expense of such removal.

The amendment was agreed to.

The joint resolution was reported to the Senate as amended, and the amendment was concurred in.

The joint resolution was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Mr. MONEY. I ask leave to call up from the Calendar the bill (S. 3030) for the classification and fixing of salaries of clerks in the first-class and second-class post-offices. It is a bill that was reached last Tuesday when I was absent, for the first time this session, attending a funeral. I shall be glad to have the bill taken up to-day. It will take a very short while. There is no objection to it, and I am anxious to have it disposed of.

Mr. GALLINGER. I wish very much to be courteous toward the Senator from Mississippi and I am very strongly in favor of the bill in which he is interested, but I will venture to make the suggestion to the Senator that he allow the pension bills to go along. Probably they will not occupy half an hour. I understand the Senator's bill will be likely to be debated, and I will suggest to the Senator that if the pension bills should occupy a longer time than 1 o'clock I will ask that they be passed over at that hour.

Mr. MONEY. I will yield to the Senator from New Hampshire.

Mr. GALLINGER. I think the pension bills will all be disposed of before that time.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Pension Calendar, then, is in order.

Mr. DANIEL. I ask the Senate to proceed to the consideration of Senate resolution 433, laid over under objection yesterday.

Mr. BERRY. Was there not unanimous consent to consider the Pension Calendar this morning?

The VICE-PRESIDENT. That is the statement made by the Chair. Unanimous consent was given that immediately after the routine business to-day the Senate would proceed to the Pension Calendar. The Chair, however, yields to the Senator from Virginia the right to make the motion.

Mr. DANIEL. I do not like to impinge against the unanimous consent agreement.

Mr. GALLINGER. Perhaps the Senator from Virginia did not understand me when I said that if the pension bills should occupy a longer time than half an hour, which they probably will not, I will ask that they be passed over, so that we will get through by 1 o'clock with the Pension Calendar, and, I think, before that time.

Mr. ALLEN. I desire to make a parliamentary inquiry. When a resolution is introduced and passed over to another day by objection, is it not a part of the morning business; and when the order of concurrent and other resolutions has been passed should not that resolution be taken up as a part of the morning business?

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The resolution referred to by the Senator from Nebraska is upon the Calendar on the report of a committee.

Mr. ALLEN. Oh, I misunderstood it. I understood that the resolution was introduced yesterday and went over under objection until this morning.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. It was referred to the Committee to Audit and Control the Contingent Expenses of the Senate, and reported from the committee and placed on the Calendar.

Mr. ALLEN. If my understanding of the fact were correct, I should insist that the resolution is morning business.

Mr. GALLINGER. I ask that the first pension bill on the Calendar be proceeded with.

GEORGIE SMILEY.

The bill (H. R. 10316) for the relief of Georgie Smiley was announced as the first bill on the Private Pension Calendar.

Mr. GALLINGER. Let that bill be passed over.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. It will be passed over.

MARY ELIZABETH HIESKELL.

The bill (H. R. 2545) granting an increase of pension to Mary Elizabeth Hieskell was considered as in Committee of the Whole. It proposes to place upon the pension roll the name of Mary Elizabeth Hieskell, widow of Horace M. Hieskell, late pay director, United States Navy, and to pay her a pension of \$20 per month, in lieu of the pension she is now receiving.

Mr. VEST. I ask for the reading of the report.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Senator from Missouri requests that the report be read in connection with this bill. The report will be read.

The Secretary read the report submitted by Mr. GALLINGER July 4, 1898, as follows:

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 2545) granting an increase of pension to Mary Elizabeth Hieskell, have examined the same and report:

The report of the Committee on Invalid Pensions of the House of Representatives, hereto appended, is adopted, and the passage of the bill is recommended.

HOUSE REPORT.

This bill as amended proposes to increase from \$8 to \$20 per month the pension of Mary Elizabeth Hieskell, of Philadelphia, Pa., widow of Horace M. Hieskell, late pay director, United States Navy, who was commissioned a purser in the Navy, title changed to paymaster July 22, 1860. Appointed fleet paymaster May 3, 1864. Commissioned a pay director March 3, 1871. Placed on the retired list September 24, 1875. He died at Philadelphia, Pa., December 26, 1891. A transcript from the records of the city of Philadelphia shows that he died December 26, 1891, of general paresis, aged 74.

The widow, this claimant, filed a claim February 24, 1892, under the general law, which was rejected December 10, 1895, on the ground that death resulted from general paresis not due to any disability in service which has been legally accepted.

Soldier is shown by the records to have been treated in service in 1845 for fever, purging, and pain in the bowels; in 1856 for colic; in 1858 for fever following chill; in 1873 for conjunctivitis, and in 1874 for intermittent fever and subluxatio; in 1875 for acute tonsillitis, chronic rheumatism, and rheumatic gout.

William R. Dunton, M.D., testifies that Horace M. Hieskell was under his professional care from 1868 to the time of his death. That while on duty in China he contracted dysentery, from which he never entirely recovered, being always afterwards subject to relapses. He also, while on duty, contracted rheumatism, to severe attacks of which he was subsequently subject. In consequence of these infirmities he became prematurely old and feeble. He was attacked with hemiplegia in 1886 and gradually the paralysis became general. His death, which was hastened by the prevailing epidemic of influenza, occurred December 26, 1891, at the age of 74 years.

The same physician, in an affidavit executed March 22, 1894, says:

"After exposure on a passage to Washington in charge of Government money, Pay Director Hieskell had a very severe attack of rheumatism—his first—from which he never fully recovered, and afterwards he was also liable to acute attacks. His heart was feeble, but I do not remember any valvular disease. In 1897, after a chill, he had a very severe attack of hemiplegia of the entire right side, with aphasia, from which he only partially recovered. He had a very slight attack previously, and two afterwards. About two years subsequently to his severe attack signs of general paresis appeared. On the west coast of Africa he contracted the fever. In the China seas he suffered with dysentery and diarrhea, and always afterwards from sequelæ of these diseases. Consequently his health was poor and his senile condition premature, which probably caused his paresis."

This claimant was married to Pay Director Hieskell February 16, 1881, his former wife having died in 1875, and is 44 years of age. She is pensioned at \$8 per month as a Mexican war widow, on account of the services of her husband in the Mexican war. It is alleged by the claimant that unless she secures a further pension from the Government she will be compelled to seek shelter in some charitable institution or be dependent upon the bounty of friends. A similar bill was favorably reported from this committee in the Fifty-fourth Congress at \$30 per month.

The following is a copy of a letter from Thomas H. Looker, former Paymaster-General of the Navy:

THE COMMITTEE ON INVALID PENSIONS.

GENTLEMEN: As former Paymaster-General of the Navy (now retired), and as an old friend of the same rank (relative rank of commodore) of Pay Director H. M. Hieskell, U. S. N., his widow, Mary Elizabeth Hieskell, appeals to me to aid in her application for a pension of \$30 per month.

Pay Director Hieskell was one of the best and most meritorious officers of the Navy, serving many years. He once saved one of our vessels of war to the Government and the lives of officers and men from a planned mutiny which he discovered and reported (the brig *Somers*), and again in Norfolk, in 1861, he, at the risk of his life, patriotically saved moneys and valuable papers from capture by the enemy.

These were great and signal and meritorious services to his country. His widow and daughter are in great need. I earnestly trust that the pension may be granted.

Respectfully,

THOS. H. LOOKER, U. S. N.

Mr. VEST. I am not so demented as to suppose that I can do more than make a statement in regard to this bill. If I understand the report, it states that none of the maladies to which this gentleman was subjected came from his service in the United States Army.

Mr. GALLINGER. If the Senator will allow me, the report states quite the contrary. It is admitted that all the maladies were incurred in the service, but it is claimed that he died of a malady that he did not incur in the service—one of the fine distinctions that they make in the Pension Bureau.

Mr. VEST. I tried to listen to the reading of the report. There was considerable conversation in my vicinity. But if I am not grossly mistaken the report states that this matter was examined by the Bureau and the claim rejected. And now, upon a letter written by a fellow-officer or a former commander of this officer of the Navy, we are to overrule the Bureau and grant this special pension. If the chairman of the committee contradicts that statement, I hope he will show from the report that I am mistaken. As I understand it, the case was examined and rejected by the Bureau.

Mr. GALLINGER. I do contradict it to this extent: The report shows conclusively that while in the service this man suffered from various maladies, I should say sufficiently severe to kill almost any man, certainly any man living in New Hampshire. But he chanced to die of a malady that did not appear in the list he was suffering from, and hence the Pension Bureau says he did not die of diseases contracted in the service. I have no question but that he died of diseases contracted in the service.

Mr. VEST. He died of influenza.

Mr. ALLEN. Does the evidence show that it was contracted in the service?

Mr. GALLINGER. The evidence shows that a variety of diseases were contracted by him in the service.

Mr. ALLEN. Is there any evidence connecting this disease with his service?

Mr. GALLINGER. The man died of general paresis, which is one of those terms that mean much or little.

Mr. VEST. I will ask that that portion of the report be read again, because, unless I am utterly mistaken, the report states that he died from the epidemic of influenza.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Secretary will read the portion of the report indicated.

The Secretary read as follows:

William R. Dunton, M. D., testifies that Horace M. Hieskell was under his professional care from 1863 to the time of his death. That while on duty in China he contracted dysentery, from which he never entirely recovered, being always afterwards subject to relapses. He also, while on duty, contracted rheumatism, to severe attacks of which he was subsequently subject. In consequence of these infirmities he became prematurely old and feeble. He was attacked with hemiplegia in 1886 and gradually the paralysis became general. His death, which was hastened by the prevailing epidemic of influenza, occurred December 26, 1891, at the age of 74 years.

The bill was reported to the Senate without amendment, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

ELIZABETH J. COOK.

The bill (S. 2497) granting a pension to Elizabeth J. Cook was announced as next in order.

Mr. GALLINGER. The Senator from Kentucky [Mr. LINDSAY] reported this bill, and he has made an elaborate argument in favor of it of a legal nature. I ask that it be passed over, the Senator not being present in the Chamber. It is a question he is better able to answer than I am.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The bill we be passed over.

JOHN C. KNAPP.

The bill (H. R. 8952) granting an increase of pension to John C. Knapp was considered as in Committee of the Whole. It proposes to place on the pension roll the name of John C. Knapp, private in Company K, Eighty-fifth Regiment of New York Volunteers, and to pay him a pension of \$20 per month, in lieu of the pension he is now receiving.

Mr. VEST. Let the report be read.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The reading of the report is called for. The Secretary will read it.

The Secretary read the report submitted by Mr. ROACH July 7, 1898, as follows:

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 8952) granting an increase of pension to John C. Knapp, have examined the same and report:

The report of the Committee on Invalid Pensions of the House of Representatives, hereto appended, is adopted, and the passage of the bill is recommended.

HOUSE REPORT.

This bill as amended proposes to increase from \$12 to \$20 per month the pension of John C. Knapp, of Palmer, Merrick County, Nebr.

This soldier served as private in Company K, Eighty-fifth New York Volunteer Infantry, from September 17, 1861, to June 27, 1865, when he was honorably discharged.

The records show that he was captured at Plymouth, N. C., April 20, 1864; paroled at Northeast Ferry, North Carolina, February 23, 1865; admitted to hospital, Annapolis, Md., March 5, 1865; furloughed April 3, 1865, for thirty days, date of return not stated; readmitted to hospital, division No. 2, May 11, 1865. The records of the hospital show that he was treated for acute diarrhea.

He filed and established a claim under the general law for "disease of digestive organs, result of prison life," and was pensioned therefor at \$6 from date of discharge, and \$8 from April 17, 1878, and was increased to \$12 from June 20, 1894, for "disease of digestive organs and resulting general debility, result of prison life," and that rate he is now receiving.

An application for increase, filed May 8, 1897, was rejected November 19, 1897. "No increase."

The board of examining surgeons at St. Paul, Nebr., where he was examined June 30, 1897, found no disease of digestive organs, or hemorrhoids, or organic disease of heart, but rated him six-eighths for impairment of sight due to age, twelve-eighths for debility, six-eighths for defective memory, and two-eighths for enlargement of prostate.

The only disability rated which is conclusively shown to be due to service is debility, for which he was rated twelve-eighths—just what he is now receiving.

It is proved to the satisfaction of this committee that the soldier has disabilities of probable service origin that entitle him to a pension of at least \$20 per month, and as it is further shown that he is a citizen of good character and that he is very poor and needy and unable to earn a living by manual labor, your committee are of the opinion that an increase of this soldier's pension to \$20 a month is fully justified.

The bill was reported to the Senate without amendment, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

REBECCA OTIS.

The bill (H. R. 4173) granting an increase of pension to Rebecca Otis was considered as in Committee of the Whole. It proposes to place on the pension roll the name of Rebecca Otis, late an Army nurse, and to pay her a pension of \$24 per month, in lieu of the pension that she is now receiving.

The bill was reported from the Committee on Pensions with amendments.

The first amendment was, in line 5, after the word "Otis," to strike out the words "late an Army nurse" and insert "widow of John Otis, late a private, Company F, Twelfth Iowa Volunteer Infantry."

The amendment was agreed to.
The next amendment was, in line 7, before the word "dollars," to strike out "twenty-four" and insert "twenty."
The amendment was agreed to.
The bill was reported to the Senate as amended, and the amendments were concurred in.
The amendments were ordered to be engrossed and the bill to be read a third time.

The bill was read the third time, and passed.

SUSAN BUCK.

The bill (S. 3669) granting a pension to Susan Buck was considered as in Committee of the Whole.

The bill was reported from the Committee on Pensions with an amendment, in line 7, after the word "month," to strike out "to take effect from the date of the death of said Daniel W. Buck, deceased;" so as to make the bill read:

Be it enacted, etc., That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place upon the pension roll the name of Susan Buck, widow of Daniel W. Buck, late of Company E, Eighth Illinois Cavalry, at the rate of \$20 per month.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. GALLINGER. I desire to propose a further amendment. In line 4, after the word "place," I move to strike out "upon" and insert "on;" and after the word "Cavalry," in line 6, to insert "and pay her a pension."

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. COCKRELL. Let the report be read in that case.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The report will be read.

The Secretary read the report submitted by Mr. SHOUR July 8, 1898, as follows:

Susan Buck is the widow of Capt. Daniel Buck, late of Company E, Eighth Illinois Volunteer Cavalry, who enlisted in the service of the United States on the 5th day of September, 1861, and served continuously until October 10, 1864. She was married to Captain Buck on the 10th day of September, 1874.

It appears from the evidence on file in the office of the Commissioner of Pensions that Captain Buck died suddenly on the 6th of January, 1892, from hemorrhage of the lungs and rheumatism of the heart. It also appears that the application of Captain Buck for a pension was allowed by the Department at the rate of \$20 per month, the rate named in the pending bill, from the 28th day of April, 1890, but that the certificate of pension, which was numbered 62186 and dated December 16, 1891, never reached the soldier, his death occurring, as before stated, on the 6th of January, 1892.

The claim of the widow, Susan Buck, for the pension of \$20 per month granted her husband was rejected by the Department on the ground that it did not appear that death was caused by disease contracted in the service. But the committee begs to call attention to the fact that according to the doctor's certificate on file with the papers in the office of the Commissioner it appears that death was caused by rheumatism of the heart, the very disease for which Captain Buck had previously been pensioned on the theory that the disease was contracted in the service of the United States.

In view of this state of facts, the committee recommends that the bill do pass with the following amendment:

Strike out all after the word "month," in line 7.

The bill was reported to the Senate as amended, and the amendments were concurred in.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

JEHIEL J. STEVENS.

Mr. MASON. I desire to ask for the consideration of a bill at this time. It is on the Pension Calendar for to-day, but it may not be reached before 1 o'clock.

Mr. GALLINGER. I yield to the Senator to have the bill in which he is interested considered at this time.

Mr. MASON. I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the bill (S. 4918) granting a pension to Jehiel J. Stevens.

There being no objection, the Senate, as in Committee of the Whole, proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Pensions with an amendment, in line 8, after the words "rate of," to strike out "sixty" and insert "forty-five;" so as to make the bill read:

Be it enacted, etc., That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place on the pension roll, subject to the provisions and limitations of the pension laws, the name of Jehiel J. Stevens, late a private in Company K, Eighteenth Regiment New York Volunteers, and pay him a pension at the rate of \$45 per month, in lieu of the pension he is now receiving.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. COCKRELL. Let the report be read in that case.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The report will be read.

The Secretary read the report submitted by Mr. GALLINGER December 20, 1898, as follows:

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (S. 4918) granting an increase of pension to Jehiel J. Stevens, have examined the same and report:

This bill proposes to increase from \$36 to \$60 per month the pension of Jehiel J. Stevens, of Washington, D. C., late private of Company K, Eighteenth New York Volunteer Infantry.

Soldier was enlisted in Company K, Eighteenth New York Volunteer Infantry, on May 17, 1861, and discharged May 28, 1863. He reenlisted in Capt. William H. Woodward's independent battery light artillery on July 2, 1863, from which he was discharged November 4, 1863.

He was pensioned at \$8 per month from May 29, 1863, on account of gunshot wound of left leg. His rate was increased to \$12, commencing on September 25, 1869; to \$18 from January 28, 1881, for gunshot wound of left leg resulting in amputation; to \$24 from March 3, 1883; to \$30 from August 4, 1886, and to \$36 from June 14, 1890, for gunshot wound of left leg, resulting in amputation and reamputation above knee joint.

On April 9, 1897, claimant filed a claim for increase, alleging that since the date of his last amputation abscesses had formed, that several pieces of bone had issued from his leg, resulting in atrophy of the muscles, especially of the posterior muscles of the stump, thereby making it impossible for him to wear an artificial limb, and that the constant use of the crutch caused partial paralysis of the left side. This claim was rejected on the ground that paralysis was not shown to exist and that the alleged resulting necrosis of bone, abscesses, and atrophy of muscles were included in the approval and rate (\$36). In the certificate of soldier's last examination, had on October 20, 1897, the examining surgeons state that the left thigh was amputated 6 inches above the knee, and that it is very difficult to determine whether he can wear an artificial limb. They give him a rating of \$36 for the gunshot wound and resulting amputation. They also give him a rating of \$6 for oblique inguinal hernia of right side.

Following is the history of claimant's case, as shown by the records of the hospital in which his leg was reamputated:

On the 27th day of June, 1862, patient was injured by the explosion of a shell. The left leg was broken below the knee. Patient was in hospital eight months; wound healed, and for a long time gave no trouble, but in 1881 leg was amputated for necrosis of bone; but patient has never been able to wear an artificial limb without great pain, consequently he has been unable to attend to his business. * * * Remarks: Wound healed promptly; before the last amputation the circulation below the knee was much impeded, and to a great extent preventing the use of an artificial limb.

"Date of admission, June 13, 1890.

"Date of discharge, July 11, 1890.

"CHARLES T. PARKES, Professor of Surgery."

In a statement made on October 5, 1891, Dr. H. B. Fenner, whose particular branch of the medical profession is the adjustment and construction of artificial limbs, gave it as his opinion that soldier "will never be able to wear an artificial limb."

On April 4, 1892, Dr. Z. P. Hanson, who had been claimant's physician for about twelve years, certified as follows:

"Since the amputation abscesses have formed and several pieces of necrosed bone have come away. The result of so much inflammation and formation of abscesses has been atrophy of the muscles, and especially the posterior muscles of the stump, making it impossible for him to wear an artificial limb, and, in my opinion, he will never again be able to do so with any comfort."

The rate allowed by law for amputation at hip joint, or so near joint as to prevent the use of an artificial limb, is \$45. Soldier's leg was amputated 6 inches above the knee, and it is clearly shown that he is unable to make use of an artificial limb, thus making his disability equivalent to the loss of a leg at the hip joint. He can therefore properly be given the rate allowed by law for such disability. He is 60 years of age and very needy.

Your committee report the bill back favorably, after it shall have been amended as follows:

In line 8 strike out the word "sixty" and insert in lieu thereof the word "forty-five."

Also amend the title so as to read: "A bill granting an increase of pension to Jehiel J. Stevens."

The bill was reported to the Senate as amended, and the amendment was concurred in.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

The title was amended so as to read: "A bill granting an increase of pension to Jehiel J. Stevens."

WASHINGTON SWEATT.

Mr. GALLINGER. I ask that the bill (S. 4975) granting an increase of pension to Washington Sweatt may now be considered. It is a bill identical with the one which has just been passed.

There being no objection, the Senate, as in Committee of the Whole, proceeded to consider the bill. It proposes to place on the pension roll the name of Washington Sweatt, late of Company K, Sixth Regiment New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry, and to pay him a pension of \$45 per month, in lieu of that he is now receiving.

Mr. COCKRELL. Do I understand that this bill is similar to the one previously passed?

Mr. GALLINGER. It is, precisely; only, I think, a case more aggravated, and undoubtedly the soldier ought to receive this increase of pension.

The bill was reported to the Senate without amendment, ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

GEORGE W. EMERY.

The bill (S. 1245) granting a pension to George W. Emery was considered as in Committee of the Whole.

The bill was reported by the Committee on Pensions with an amendment to strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place on the pension roll, subject to the provisions and limitations of the pension laws, the name of George W. Emery, late of Company H, Sixth Regiment New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry, and pay him a pension at the rate of \$30 per month in lieu of that which he is now receiving.

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill was reported to the Senate as amended, and the amendment was concurred in.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

The title was amended so as to read: "A bill granting an increase of pension to George W. Emery."

FLORA STANTON KALK.

The bill (S. 4775) granting a pension to Flora Stanton Kalk was considered as in Committee of the Whole. It proposes to place on the pension roll the name of Flora Stanton Kalk, and infant children, widow of First Lieut. Frank Green Kalk, late of the Fifth United States Infantry.

Mr. COCKRELL. Let the report be read in that case.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The report will be read.
The Secretary read the report submitted by Mr. SHOUP December 13, 1898, as follows:

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (S. 4775) granting a pension to Flora Stanton Kalk, have examined the same and submit the following report:

The claimant is the widow of First Lieut. Frank Green Kalk, late of the Fifth United States Infantry. Lieutenant Kalk entered the Military Academy in 1881, and was graduated in 1888. He joined his regiment September 30, 1888, and served therewith until July 5, 1897, when he was assigned to duty by the Secretary of War as instructor of military tactics at the Iowa Wesleyan University, Mount Pleasant, Iowa, which position he held until his death, March 5, 1898. It appears from the evidence on file in the case that on March 4, 1898, Lieutenant Kalk, by permission of the president of the college, visited Burlington, Iowa, about 30 miles from Mount Pleasant, and upon returning, having missed the passenger train, attempted to board a later freight train in order that he might be at Mount Pleasant in time to take charge of his morning classes at the college, but he was thrown under the wheels and instantly killed.

His widow made application for pension, and the claim was fully established so far as she was concerned, but was rejected on the ground that technically the soldier was not in the line of duty at the time of his death.

The Commissioner of Pensions, in reporting on the case July 27, 1898, stated in part:

"* * * I have to state that the circumstances under which this officer met his death, as reported by the War Department, do not bring the case within the provisions of the pension laws, for the reason that the injury causing his death was not received in the line of duty as contemplated by the pension laws."

"It has been uniformly held that an injury received while a soldier was absent from his command or from his post on leave or individual furlough was not received in line of duty for pensionable purposes."

"I very much regret that this Bureau is unable to afford any relief, but I am of the opinion that it is a proper and worthy case for special legislation by Congress looking to her relief."

Your committee are of the opinion that the technicality as to whether this officer was in the line of duty when killed should be waived and the pension asked for be granted by special act, as suggested by the Commissioner of Pensions.

The passage of the bill is therefore recommended.

The bill was reported to the Senate without amendment, ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

Mr. GALLINGER. I will request that the remaining two bills on the Pension Calendar be now passed over, so that other Senators may have an opportunity to ask for the consideration of particular bills in which they are interested.

CLERKS IN FIRST AND SECOND CLASS POST-OFFICES.

Mr. DANIEL. Mr. President—

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Senator from Mississippi [Mr. MONEY] had made a request for unanimous consent for the consideration of a bill, and was recognized by the Chair.

Mr. MONEY. I am requested by the Senator from Maine [Mr. HALE] to allow the bill which I desired to call up to go over in order to allow him to examine into the subject. I will therefore yield to the Senator from Virginia.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE.

Mr. McMILLAN. I am directed by the Committee on Commerce, to whom was referred several joint and concurrent resolutions from the House of Representatives, to report them favorably and without amendment. They are very short, and I ask for their present consideration. They call for information from the War Department, and it is important that they should be acted upon at once, so that the desired information may be before Congress. They will take but a few moments.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Is there objection to the request of the Senator from Michigan, that the resolutions referred to by him may be considered at this time? The Chair hears no objection.

HARBOR AT RACINE, WIS.

Mr. McMILLAN. I first ask for the consideration of the joint resolution (H. Res. 274) for the improvement of the harbor at Racine, Wis.

The Senate, as in Committee of the Whole, proceeded to consider the joint resolution. It directs the Secretary of War to cause a survey to be made of the harbor at Racine, Wis., to ascertain the best method or plan, by breakwaters or otherwise, to prevent the injurious effects of the northeast seas, and to report said method or plan with the approximate cost of the same, and that he also report as to the advisability of making such improvement.

The joint resolution was reported to the Senate without amendment, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

DEEP CREEK, VIRGINIA.

Mr. McMILLAN. I now ask for the consideration of the concurrent resolution which I have reported relating to Deep Creek, Virginia.

The concurrent resolution was considered by unanimous consent, and agreed to, as follows:

Resolved, etc., That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, directed to prepare and submit an estimate of the cost of widening and deepening Deep Creek, Virginia, from the South Branch of the Elizabeth River to the new lock at the Dismal Swamp Canal.

HARBOR OF CAPE PORPOISE, ME.

Mr. McMILLAN. I now ask unanimous consent for the consideration of the concurrent resolution which I have reported in relation to the improvement of the harbor of Cape Porpoise, Me.

The concurrent resolution was considered by unanimous consent, and agreed to, as follows:

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring). That the Secretary of War be directed to submit an estimate of the probable cost of improving the harbor of Cape Porpoise, Me., in accordance with the recommendations contained in the report of Col. P. C. Hains, dated October 28, 1894, now on file at the War Department.

CLEVELAND HARBOR.

Mr. McMILLAN. I now ask for the consideration of the concurrent resolution I have reported from the Committee on Commerce in relation to the dredging of Cleveland Harbor.

The concurrent resolution was considered by unanimous consent, and agreed to, as follows:

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring). That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to prepare and submit estimates of the cost of dredging Cleveland Harbor in accordance with the recommendations of Col. Jared A. Smith, local engineer, in his report for the year 1898.

OHIO RIVER NEAR CINCINNATI.

Mr. McMILLAN. I now ask for the consideration of the joint resolution (H. Res. 299) asking for preliminary survey of Ohio River at or near Cincinnati, which I have reported from the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. FORAKER. I hope that that joint resolution may be now considered by the Senate. It is a resolution simply to provide for a survey.

The Senate, as in Committee of the Whole, proceeded to consider the joint resolution (H. Res. 299) asking for preliminary survey of Ohio River at or near Cincinnati. It directs the Secretary of War to cause a preliminary survey to be made of the Ohio River at a point at or near Cullums Rifle, immediately below the city of Cincinnati, Ohio, for the purpose of reporting upon the probable cost and advisability of constructing a suitable lock and dam across the river at that point, of sufficient dimensions to secure a channel depth opposite that city of not less than 6 feet of water at low-water stage; and that the expense of the investigation and report shall be paid for out of any moneys remaining unexpended in any funds heretofore appropriated for the improvement of the Ohio River.

The joint resolution was reported to the Senate without amendment, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

HARBOR AT KENOSHA, WIS.

Mr. McMILLAN. I now ask for the consideration of the joint resolution (H. Res. 275) for improvement of the harbor at Kenosha, Wis.; which is one of the resolutions reported by me a while ago.

The Senate, as in Committee of the Whole, proceeded to consider the joint resolution. It directs the Secretary of War to cause a survey to be made of the harbor at Kenosha, Wis., to ascertain the best method or plan, by breakwaters or otherwise, to prevent the injurious effects of the northeast seas, and to report the method or plan, with the approximate cost, and that he also report as to the advisability of making such proposed improvement.

The joint resolution was reported to the Senate without amendment, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

ISLANDS OF CUBA AND PORTO RICO.

Mr. DANIEL. I move that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the resolution relative to the appointment of a select committee to visit the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico, etc.

Mr. HALE. Let the resolution be read, Mr. President.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The question is on the motion of the Senator from Virginia to proceed to the consideration of the resolution named by him; which will be read, as requested by the Senator from Maine.

The Secretary read the resolution submitted by Mr. PROCTOR on the 14th instant and reported yesterday from the Committee to Audit and Control the Contingent Expenses of the Senate, as follows:

Resolved. That a select committee of five Senators, to be appointed by the President of the Senate, be authorized to visit the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico, to inquire into the military requirements necessary to establish and maintain until those islands until civil government is inaugurated, and to further investigate the existing conditions, military, political, economic, and sanitary, in these islands and report such facts and recommendations as they may deem important for the information of the Senate, the expenses of the investigation to be paid from the contingent fund of the Senate.

Mr. HALE. I call for the yeas and nays on the motion of the Senator from Virginia.

The yeas and nays were ordered; and the Secretary proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. CHANDLER (when his name was called). On this question I am paired with the junior Senator from Colorado [Mr. WOLCOTT]. If he were present, he would vote "nay" and I should vote "yea."

Mr. CULLOM (when his name was called). I have a pair with the Senator from Maryland [Mr. GORMAN], and therefore withhold my vote.

Mr. FAULKNER (when his name called). I am paired with my colleague, the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ELKINS].

Mr. GALLINGER (when his name was called). I have a general pair with the Senator from Texas [Mr. MILLS]. I do not see him in his seat, and will withhold my vote.

Mr. GEAR (when his name was called). I am paired with the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. SMITH].

Mr. McLAURIN (when his name was called). I am paired with the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. PRITCHARD]. I do not know how he would vote on this question if present, and I withhold my vote.

Mr. McMILLAN (when his name was called). I am paired with the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. LINDSAY].

Mr. MITCHELL (when his name was called). I am paired with the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. SEWELL], who is absent on account of illness. If he were present, I should vote "nay."

Mr. PASCO (when his name was called). I am paired with the Senator from Washington [Mr. WILSON]. If he were present, I should vote "yea."

Mr. SIMON (when his name was called). I am paired with the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. SPOONER]. If he were present, he would vote "nay" and I should vote "yea."

Mr. SULLIVAN (when his name was called). I have a general pair with the Senator from Illinois [Mr. MASON]. I do not know whether he has voted or not, and I therefore refrain from voting.

Mr. McLAURIN (when Mr. TILLMAN's name was called). My colleague [Mr. TILLMAN] has a general pair with the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. THURSTON]. I notice neither of the Senators is present, and I therefore announce the pair.

The roll call was concluded.

Mr. MORGAN. I desire to state that my colleague [Mr. PETRUS] is detained from the Senate by sickness.

Mr. MARTIN. I have a general pair with the senior Senator from Montana [Mr. MANTLE]. If he were present, I should vote "yea."

Mr. CHILTON. I am paired on political questions with the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. DAVIS]. Not treating this as a political question, I vote "nay."

Mr. GALLINGER. Under the conditions of my pair I feel justified in voting on a matter of this kind, and I vote "yea."

Mr. LODGE (after having voted in the negative). I have a general pair with the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CLAY]. I transfer that pair to the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. ALDRICH], and will let my vote stand.

Mr. McMILLAN. So as to make a quorum, I will take the liberty of voting, and vote "nay."

The result was announced—yeas 8, nays 30; as follows:

YEAS—8.

Daniel, Foraker,	Gallinger, Money,	Nelson, Penrose,	Perkins, Proctor.
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NAYS—30.

Allen, Allison, Bate, Berry, Burrows, Caffery, Chilton, Fairbanks,	Hale, Hanna, Harris, Hawley, Heitfeld, Lodge, McBride, McEnery,	McMillan, Mallory, Morgan, Murphy, Pettigrew, Platt, Conn. Platt, N. Y. Quay,	Roach, Teller, Turley, Turner, Vest, Wellington.
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NOT VOTING—52.

Aldrich, Bacon, Baker, Butler, Cannon, Carter, Chandler, Clark, Clay, Cockrell, Cullom, Davis, Deboe,	Elkins, Faulkner, Frye, Gear, Gorman, Gray, Hansbrough, Hoar, Jones, Ark. Jones, Nev. Kenney, Kyle, Lindsay,	McLaurin, Mantle, Martin, Mason, Mills, Mitchell, Morrill, Pasco, Pettna, Pritchard, Rawlins, Sewell, Shoup,	Simon, Smith, Spooners, Stewart, Sullivan, Thurston, Tillman, Turpie, Warren, Wetmore, White, Wilson, Wolcott.
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Mr. PLATT of Connecticut. No quorum has voted.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The absence of a quorum is disclosed.

Mr. HALE. It is clear that there is not a quorum here, and I doubt whether one will be present during the day. I therefore move that the Senate adjourn.

Mr. VEST. Let us have an executive session.

Mr. ALLISON. I think the only proceeding which is in order, except the motion to adjourn, is a roll call.

Mr. CULLOM. Let us have a call of the Senate.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Maine insist upon his motion to adjourn?

Mr. HALE. With the view of having an executive session, I will withdraw the motion to adjourn, in order that a roll call may perhaps disclose the presence of a quorum. Then I give notice that I shall move an executive session.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Secretary will call the roll.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following Senators answered to their names:

Allison, Bate, Berry, Burrows, Butler, Caffery, Carter, Chandler, Chilton, Cullom, Daniel, Fairbanks,	Faulkner, Foraker, Gallinger, Gear, Hale, Hanna, Harris, Hawley, Lodge, McBride, McLaurin, McMillan,	Mallory, Martin, Mason, Mitchell, Money, Morgan, Murphy, Nelson, Pasco, Penrose, Perkins, Pettigrew,	Platt, Conn. Platt, N. Y. Proctor, Quay, Roach, Simon, Sullivan, Teller, Turley, Vest, Warren, Wellington.
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The VICE-PRESIDENT. Forty-eight Senators having answered to their names, a quorum is present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mr. HALE. I move that the Senate proceed to the consideration of executive business.

The motion was agreed to; and the Senate proceeded to the consideration of executive business. After twenty minutes spent in executive session the doors were reopened, and (at 1 o'clock and 45 minutes p. m.) the Senate adjourned, the adjournment being, under the concurrent resolution of the two Houses, until Wednesday, January 4, 1899, at 12 o'clock meridian.

NOMINATIONS.

Executive nominations received by the Senate December 21, 1898.

SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

Ethan A. Hitchcock, of Missouri, to be Secretary of the Interior, vice Cornelius N. Bliss, resigned.

REGISTER OF LAND OFFICE.

F. W. Johnson, of California, to be register of the land office at Marysville, Cal., vice William A. Lowery, term expired.

CONSUL.

Richard Le Bert, of Colorado, to be consul of the United States at Ghent, Belgium, vice Henry C. Morris, resigned.

POSTMASTERS.

Alonzo C. Boyle, to be postmaster at McGregor, in the county of Clayton and State of Iowa, in the place of T. H. Studebaker, removed. Mr. Boyle is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles D. Hellen, to be postmaster at Webster City, in the county of Hamilton and State of Iowa, in the place of C. E. Howard, whose commission expired August 10, 1898. Mr. Hellen is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Moses D. Mosier, to be postmaster at Remsen, in the county of Plymouth and State of Iowa, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Mosier is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William H. Needham, to be postmaster at Sigourney, in the county of Keokuk and State of Iowa, in the place of D. W. Hamilton, whose commission expired August 4, 1898. Mr. Needham is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Willis W. Overholser, to be postmaster at Ireton, in the county of Sioux and State of Iowa, in the place of W. U. Sulser, removed. Mr. Overholser is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

David M. Rowland, to be postmaster at Marengo, in the county of Iowa and State of Iowa, in the place of C. L. Shipton, whose commission expired July 30, 1898. Mr. Rowland is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George A. Young, to be postmaster at Madrid, in the county of Boone and State of Iowa, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898.

John P. Harris, to be postmaster at Ottawa, in the county of Franklin and State of Kansas, in the place of John B. Kessler, whose commission expired December 13, 1898. Mr. Harris is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Leo C. Veeder, to be postmaster at Cherryvale, in the county of Montgomery and State of Kansas, in the place of T. W. Anderson, removed. Mr. Veeder is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John W. Breathitt, to be postmaster at Hopkinsville, in the county of Christian and State of Kentucky, in the place of W. A. Wilgus, removed. Mr. Breathitt is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Frank H. Bristow, to be postmaster at Elkton, in the county of

Todd and State of Kentucky, in the place of E. W. Weathers, removed. Mr. Bristow is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Miles M. J. Williams, to be postmaster at Eminence, in the county of Henry and State of Kentucky, in the place of W. A. Hopkins, resigned. Mr. Williams is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Paul Demanade, to be postmaster at Lafayette, in the parish of Lafayette and State of Louisiana, in the place of C. O. Mouton, whose commission expired April 14, 1898.

Robert P. Hunter, to be postmaster at Alexandria, in the parish of Rapides and State of Louisiana, in the place of Bessie G. Wells, removed. Mr. Hunter is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John R. G. Pitkin, to be postmaster at New Orleans, in the parish of Orleans and State of Louisiana, in the place of F. A. Daniels, whose commission expired May 9, 1898. Mr. Pitkin is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Henry C. Ray, to be postmaster at Monroe, in the parish of Ouachita and State of Louisiana, in the place of C. H. Trousdale, removed. Mr. Ray is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George J. Reiley, to be postmaster at Clinton, in the parish of East Feliciana and State of Louisiana, in the place of Sebello Knox, removed.

Jarvis C. Billings, to be postmaster at Bethel, in the county of Oxford and State of Maine, in the place of G. R. Wiley, whose commission expired July 10, 1898. Mr. Billings is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Walter H. Downs, to be postmaster at South Berwick, in the county of York and State of Maine, in the place of T. J. Goodwin, whose commission expired August 10, 1898. Mr. Downs is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles H. Hooper, to be postmaster at Castine, in the county of Hancock and State of Maine, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Hooper is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John M. Oak, to be postmaster at Bangor, in the county of Penobscot and State of Maine, in the place of C. E. Bliss, whose commission expired August 10, 1898. Mr. Oak is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William T. Smart, to be postmaster at Lewiston, in the county of Androscoggin and State of Maine, in the place of Charles Walker, deceased. Mr. Smart is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Thomas R. Green, to be postmaster at Denton, in the county of Caroline and State of Maryland, in the place of Howard Melvin, removed. Mr. Green is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Milton Schaeffer, to be postmaster at Westminster, in the county of Carroll and State of Maryland, in the place of J. B. Boyle, whose commission expired July 19, 1898. Mr. Schaeffer is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles F. Shaffer, jr., to be postmaster at Laurel, in the county of Prince George and State of Maryland, in the place of John A. Flannery, removed. Mr. Shaffer is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Joseph H. White, to be postmaster at Easton, in the county of Talbot and State of Maryland, in the place of C. R. Leonard, whose commission expired August 3, 1898. Mr. White is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John E. Bosworth, to be postmaster at Lee, in the county of Berkshire and State of Massachusetts, in the place of John Stallman, whose commission expired August 8, 1898. Mr. Bosworth is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles D. Brown, to be postmaster at Gloucester, in the county of Essex and State of Massachusetts, in the place of L. J. Presson, whose commission expired August 8, 1898. Mr. Brown is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Woodbury A. Ham, to be postmaster at Everett, in the county of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, in the place of Woodbury A. Ham, whose commission expired August 6, 1898. (Reappointment.) Mr. Ham is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John Huxtable, to be postmaster at Wareham, in the county of Plymouth and State of Massachusetts, in the place of John Huxtable, whose commission expired August 8, 1898. (Reappointment.) Mr. Huxtable is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Samuel R. Moseley, to be postmaster at Hyde Park, in the county of Norfolk and State of Massachusetts, in the place of E. C. Jenney, whose commission expired August 24, 1898. Mr. Moseley is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John W. Fairbanks, to be postmaster at Westboro, in the county of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, in the place of B. W. Hero, whose commission expired August 16, 1898. Mr. Fairbanks is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Frederick E. Pierce, to be postmaster at Greenfield, in the county of Franklin and State of Massachusetts, in the place of Frederick E. Pierce, whose commission expired August 2, 1898. (Reappointment.) Mr. Pierce is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

James F. Shea, to be postmaster at Indian Orchard, in the county of Hampden and State of Massachusetts, in the place of James F. Shea, whose commission expired August 2, 1898. (Reappointment.) Mr. Shea is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles J. Wood, to be postmaster at Natick, in the county of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, in the place of Patrick Mahan, whose commission expired August 8, 1898. Mr. Wood is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John Ames, to be postmaster at Lake Linden, in the county of Houghton and State of Michigan, in the place of A. A. Guck, removed. Mr. Ames is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Darwin M. Bainbridge, to be postmaster at Clinton, in the county of Lenawee and State of Michigan, in the place of A. F. Kishpugh, whose commission expired July 10, 1898. Mr. Bainbridge is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William Bennett, to be postmaster at Hartford, in the county of Van Buren and State of Michigan, in the place of C. A. Gustin, whose commission expired July 10, 1898. Mr. Bennett is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John F. Chisholm, to be postmaster at Grand Marais, in the county of Alger and State of Michigan, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Chisholm is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles Delamere, to be postmaster at South Haven, in the county of Van Buren and State of Michigan, in the place of E. S. Smith, whose commission expired March 14, 1898. Mr. Delamere is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Frank P. Heath, to be postmaster at Plainwell, in the county of Allegan and State of Michigan, in the place of C. C. Rogers, whose commission expired August 2, 1898. Mr. Heath is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Henry L. Hess, to be postmaster at Three Oaks, in the county of Berrien and State of Michigan, in the place of Maggie Breece, removed. Mr. Hess is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles H. Loomis, to be postmaster at Sparta, in the county of Kent and State of Michigan, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Loomis is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William Fitzgibbons, to be postmaster at Saranac, in the county of Ionia and State of Michigan, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Fitzgibbons is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles W. Pullen, to be postmaster at Milan, in the county of Washtenaw and State of Michigan, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Pullen is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

James M. Scarritt, to be postmaster at Hudson, in the county of Lenawee and State of Michigan, in the place of O. R. Pierce, resigned. Mr. Scarritt is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John Chermak, to be postmaster at Chatfield, in the county of Fillmore and State of Minnesota, in the place of J. R. Manahan, deceased. Mr. Chermak is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Milo T. Dewolf, to be postmaster at Windom, in the county of Cottonwood and State of Minnesota, in the place of G. E. Le Tourneau, whose commission expired July 20, 1898. Mr. Dewolf

is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Ernest P. Le Masurier, to be postmaster at Hallock, in the county of Kittson and State of Minnesota, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Le Masurier is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Frank W. Sickler, to be postmaster at Marshall, in the county of Lyon and State of Minnesota, in the place of J. S. Renninger, whose commission expired June 23, 1898. Mr. Sickler is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Patrick R. Vail, to be postmaster at Ely, in the county of St. Louis and State of Minnesota, in the place of Harris Van Blarcom, whose commission expired May 28, 1898. Mr. Vail is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John W. Lockhart, to be postmaster at Durant, in the county of Holmes and State of Mississippi, in the place of Adeline Edwards, whose commission expired April 11, 1898. Mr. Lockhart is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Thomas Richardson, to be postmaster at Port Gibson, in the county of Claiborne and State of Mississippi, in the place of Harriet L. Hastings, removed. Mr. Richardson is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Frederick W. Baumhoff, to be postmaster at St. Louis, in the county of St. Louis and State of Missouri, in the place of James L. Carlisle, whose commission expired March 19, 1898. Mr. Baumhoff is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles R. Landrum, to be postmaster at Mount Vernon, in the county of Lawrence and State of Missouri, in the place of W. H. Cecil, resigned.

John K. Martin, to be postmaster at Rich Hill, in the county of Bates and State of Missouri, in the place of W. T. Marsh, removed. Mr. Martin is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Wesley W. Wehrli, to be postmaster at Mound City, in the county of Holt and State of Missouri, in the place of F. Q. Mitchell, whose commission expired August 6, 1898. Mr. Wehrli is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Herbert O. Chowen, to be postmaster at Great Falls, in the county of Cascade and State of Montana, in the place of D. J. Tallant, resigned. Mr. Chowen is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

David J. Dolsen, to be postmaster at Sandcoulee, in the county of Cascade and State of Montana, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after July 1, 1898. Mr. Dolsen is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Julia Anna Kline, to be postmaster at White Sulphur Springs, in the county of Meagher and State of Montana, in the place of George Wallwork, whose commission expired August 6, 1898. Julia Anna Kline is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Edward S. Stackpole, to be postmaster at Deerlodge, in the county of Deerlodge and State of Montana, in the place of R. T. Kennon, whose commission expired June 23, 1898. Mr. Stackpole is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Henry H. Campbell, to be postmaster at Osceola, in the county of Polk and State of Nebraska, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Campbell is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

James H. Logan, to be postmaster at Ponca, in the county of Dixon and State of Nebraska, in the place of R. R. MacMullen, removed. Mr. Logan is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Alonzo L. Krause, to be postmaster at Westpoint, in the county of Cuming and State of Nebraska, in the place of August Kleine, resigned. Mr. Krause is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Peter L. Rork, to be postmaster at Tekamah, in the county of Burt and State of Nebraska, in the place of O. S. Parmelee, removed. Mr. Rork is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Leopold Steiner, to be postmaster at Austin, in the county of Lander and State of Nevada, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President from and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Steiner is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Henry Robinson, to be postmaster at Concord, in the county of Merrimack and State of New Hampshire, in the place of Byron

Moore, whose commission expired May 22, 1898. Mr. Robinson is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Nathan W. C. Hays, to be postmaster at Burlington, in the county of Burlington and State of New Jersey, in the place of G. D. Wetherill, whose commission expired May 3, 1898. Mr. Hays is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Joseph Miller, to be postmaster at Salem, in the county of Salem and State of New Jersey, in the place of John P. Flynn, whose commission expired May 11, 1898. Mr. Miller is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William B. Singleton, to be postmaster at Toms River, in the county of Ocean and State of New Jersey, in the place of E. W. Manolt, whose commission expired July 9, 1898. Mr. Singleton is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Henry W. Edsall, to be postmaster at Hamburg, in the county of Sussex and State of New Jersey, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after July 1, 1898. Mr. Edsall is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Caroline E. Condit, to be postmaster at Millburn, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after July 1, 1898. Caroline E. Condit is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William H. Coggeshall, to be postmaster at Summit, in the county of Union and State of New Jersey, in the place of M. C. Halsey, resigned. Mr. Coggeshall is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Justo R. Armijo, to be postmaster at Albuquerque, in the county of Bernalillo and Territory of New Mexico, in the place of E. A. Grunsfeld, whose commission expired December 11, 1898.

John B. Alexander, to be postmaster at Oswego, in the county of Oswego and State of New York, in the place of L. C. Rowe, removed. Mr. Alexander is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George Anderson, to be postmaster at Castleton, in the county of Rensselaer and State of New York, in the place of William P. Smith, removed. Mr. Anderson is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Fred R. Babcock, to be postmaster at Smithville, in the county of Jefferson and State of New York, in the place of D. B. York, removed. Mr. Babcock is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Harrison Beecher, to be postmaster at Monticello, in the county of Sullivan and State of New York, in the place of K. D. L. Niven, whose commission expired May 3, 1898. Mr. Beecher is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Clark E. Churchill, to be postmaster at Arcade, in the county of Wyoming and State of New York, in the place of Hiram Steele, removed. Mr. Churchill is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Herbert J. Curtis, to be postmaster at Red Hook, in the county of Dutchess and State of New York, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Curtis is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Sidney B. Cloyes, to be postmaster at Earlville, in the county of Madison and State of New York, in the place of B. B. Wilcox, whose commission expired May 22, 1898. Mr. Cloyes is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Cyrus Durey, to be postmaster at Johnstown, in the county of Fulton and State of New York, in the place of Edwin Baylies, removed. Mr. Durey is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John H. Eadie, to be postmaster at New Brighton, in the county of Richmond and State of New York, in the place of J. E. Mulligan, whose commission expired March 6, 1898. Mr. Eadie is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Levi M. Gano, to be postmaster at Watkins, in the county of Schuyler and State of New York, in the place of M. J. Sunderlin, removed. Mr. Gano is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George D. Genung, to be postmaster at Waverly, in the county of Tioga and State of New York, in the place of J. A. Clark, removed. Mr. Genung is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Arthur H. Goldsmith, to be postmaster at Floral Park, in the

county of Queens and State of New York, in the place of W. H. Tilton, whose commission expired July 30, 1898. Mr. Goldsmith is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

James S. Graham, to be postmaster at Rochester, in the county of Monroe and State of New York, in the place of G. H. Perkins, whose commission expired May 22, 1898. Mr. Graham is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Richard P. Groat, to be postmaster at Newark, in the county of Wayne and State of New York, in the place of Mitchell Chadwick, whose commission expired August 24, 1898. Mr. Groat is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George B. Helmle, to be postmaster at Nyack, in the county of Rockland and State of New York, in the place of Philip Doersch, whose commission expired March 6, 1898. Mr. Helmle is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Frank W. Higgins, to be postmaster at Wellsville, in the county of Allegany and State of New York, in the place of John H. Wolverton, removed. Mr. Higgins is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles C. Horton, to be postmaster at Silver Creek, in the county of Chautauqua and State of New York, in the place of A. L. Brown, removed. Mr. Horton is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William R. Lee, to be postmaster at Pawling, in the county of Dutchess and State of New York, in the place of G. T. Chapman, removed. Mr. Lee is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Frank J. McNeil, to be postmaster at Dansville, in the county of Livingston and State of New York, in the place of J. E. Crisfield, removed. Mr. McNeil is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William J. H. Parker, to be postmaster at Moravia, in the county of Cayuga and State of New York, in the place of W. L. Van Dyne, removed. Mr. Parker is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George R. Pettit, to be postmaster at Brocton, in the county of Chautauqua and State of New York, in the place of Augustus Blood, removed. Mr. Pettit is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Albert S. Potts, to be postmaster at Cooperstown, in the county of Otsego and State of New York, in the place of S. S. Bowne, whose commission expired July 23, 1898. Mr. Potts is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Jonas M. Preston, to be postmaster at Delhi, in the county of Delaware and State of New York, in the place of R. P. Cormack, removed. Mr. Preston is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John Raines, jr., to be postmaster at Canandaigua, in the county of Ontario and State of New York, in the place of Frank R. Beecher, removed. Mr. Raines is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George G. Roe, to be postmaster at Clyde, in the county of Wayne and State of New York, in the place of De Lancey Stow, removed. Mr. Roe is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles Schmeiser, to be postmaster at Stapleton, in the county of Richmond and State of New York, in the place of John Macklin, removed. Mr. Schmeiser is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles F. Shelland, to be postmaster at Oneonta, in the county of Otsego and State of New York, in the place of George Kirkland, whose commission expired July 9, 1898. Mr. Shelland is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

James L. Taylor, to be postmaster at Dobbs Ferry, in the county of Westchester and State of New York, in the place of C. G. Storms, whose commission expired June 23, 1898. Mr. Taylor is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Hiram W. Vedder, to be postmaster at Waterford, in the county of Saratoga and State of New York, in the place of C. H. Kavanaugh, whose commission expired August 8, 1898. Mr. Vedder is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Peter H. Vosburgh, to be postmaster at Matteawan, in the county of Dutchess and State of New York, in the place of James Forrestal, whose commission expired December 11, 1898.

Benjamin L. Ward, to be postmaster at Cambridge, in the county of Washington and State of New York, in the place of D. C. Fassett, whose commission expired July 30, 1898. Mr. Ward is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Everett I. Weaver, to be postmaster at Angelica, in the county of Allegany and State of New York, in the place of A. T. Wilson, whose commission expired March 15, 1898. Mr. Weaver is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Carlton D. Wing, to be postmaster at Attica, in the county of Wyoming and State of New York, in the place of Charles Morgenstern, deceased. Mr. Wing is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John G. Williams, to be postmaster at Granville, in the county of Washington and State of New York, in the place of Ellis Williams, whose commission expired September 13, 1897. Mr. Williams is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Seraph E. Wolcott, to be postmaster at Keeseville, in the county of Essex and State of New York, in the place of H. M. Prime, removed. Mr. Wolcott is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Henry S. White, to be postmaster at Walton, in the county of Delaware and State of New York, in the place of Levi S. Chace, removed. Mr. White is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Laban L. Jenkins, to be postmaster at Gastonia, in the county of Gaston and State of North Carolina, in the place of Laban L. Jenkins, resigned. (Reappointment.) Mr. Jenkins is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William H. Snow, to be postmaster at High Point, in the county of Guilford and State of North Carolina, in the place of R. C. Charles, whose commission expired February 2, 1898. Mr. Snow is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles L. Mitchell, to be postmaster at Jamestown, in the county of Stutsman and State of North Dakota, in the place of C. A. Klaus, removed. Mr. Mitchell is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George B. Alaback, to be postmaster at East Palestine, in the county of Columbiana and State of Ohio, in the place of D. S. Smith, whose commission expired July 10, 1898. Mr. Alaback is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Harry M. Ashton, to be postmaster at Spencerville, in the county of Allen and State of Ohio, in the place of S. F. Richardson, removed. Mr. Ashton is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Lucius A. Austin, to be postmaster at Granville, in the county of Licking and State of Ohio, in the place of A. H. Jones, whose commission expired June 13, 1898. Mr. Austin is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John W. Ammerman, to be postmaster at Eaton, in the county of Preble and State of Ohio, in the place of G. W. Rehffuss, whose commission expired October 20, 1897. Mr. Ammerman is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Joseph C. Bender, to be postmaster at National Military Home, in the county of Montgomery and State of Ohio, in the place of J. G. Galloway, whose commission expired August 3, 1898. Mr. Bender is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Albert C. Buss, to be postmaster at New Bremen, in the county of Auglaize and State of Ohio, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after July 1, 1898. Mr. Buss is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Robert J. Cox, to be postmaster at Delaware, in the county of Delaware and State of Ohio, in the place of W. S. Parks, whose commission expired August 3, 1895. Mr. Cox is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Russell B. Day, to be postmaster of Bluffton, in the county of Allen and State of Ohio, in the place of H. L. Romey, whose commission expired August 3, 1898. Mr. Day is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Joel P. De Wolfe, to be postmaster at Fostoria, in the county of Seneca and State of Ohio, in the place of T. D. Adams, whose commission expired December 12, 1898. Mr. De Wolfe is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Edward P. Flynn, to be postmaster at South Charleston, in the county of Clark and State of Ohio, in the place of G. W. Wilkinson, whose commission expired July 10, 1898. Mr. Flynn is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Joseph E. Hall, to be postmaster at Bucyrus, in the county of Crawford and State of Ohio, in the place of A. M. Ensminger, whose commission expired July 9, 1898. Mr. Hall is now serving

under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George Hall, to be postmaster at Lima, in the county of Allen and State of Ohio, in the place of W. B. Mehaffey, whose commission expired September 14, 1897. Mr. Hall is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Mary L. Herrick, to be postmaster at Wellington, in the county of Lorain and State of Ohio, in the place of C. W. Arner, whose commission expired July 25, 1898. Mary L. Herrick is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

James Chester Holloway, to be postmaster at Montpelier, in the county of Williams and State of Ohio, in the place of J. J. Blue, removed. Mr. Holloway is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Edgar C. Hornbeck, to be postmaster at Mount Sterling, in the county of Madison and State of Ohio, in the place of E. B. Hodges, removed. Mr. Hornbeck is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

James W. Hull, to be postmaster at Millersburg, in the county of Holmes and State of Ohio, in the place of E. J. Duer, whose commission expired March 20, 1898. Mr. Hull is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Walter B. Johnson, to be postmaster at Fredericktown, in the county of Knox and State of Ohio, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Johnson is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William M. Miller, to be postmaster at Dresden, in the county of Muskingum and State of Ohio, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President from and after April 1, 1898. Mr. Miller is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Edmund F. Moore, to be postmaster at Lisbon, in the county of Columbiana and State of Ohio, in the place of Bert Burns, whose commission expired July 20, 1898. Mr. Moore is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William A. Pittenger, to be postmaster at Dennison, in the county of Tuscarawas and State of Ohio, in the place of G. W. Finney, whose commission expired March 20, 1898. Mr. Pittenger is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Akin M. Richards, to be postmaster at Hicksville, in the county of Defiance and State of Ohio, in the place of G. K. Otis, whose commission expired August 10, 1898. Mr. Richards is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John J. Roberts, to be postmaster at Prospect, in the county of Marion and State of Ohio, in the place of W. L. Cox, whose commission expired September 7, 1897. Mr. Roberts is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George L. Lage, to be postmaster at Blackwell, in the county of Kay and Territory of Oklahoma, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President from and after July 1, 1898. Mr. Lage is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William B. Curtis, to be postmaster at Marshfield, in the county of Coos and State of Oregon, in the place of John D. Black, removed. Mr. Curtis is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Herbert F. McCornack, to be postmaster at Eugene, in the county of Lane and State of Oregon, in the place of T. J. Craig, removed. Mr. McCornack is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles McDonald, to be postmaster at Astoria, in the county of Clatsop and State of Oregon, in the place of Herman Wise, whose commission expired May 8, 1898. Mr. McDonald is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Benjamin F. Vaughan, to be postmaster at Heppner, in the county of Morrow and State of Oregon, in the place of J. P. Williams, whose commission expired May 8, 1898. Mr. Vaughan is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Clarence N. Andrews, to be postmaster at Easton, in the county of Northampton and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of P. C. Evans, whose commission expired June 1, 1898. Mr. Andrews is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John W. Armstrong, to be postmaster at Eddystone, in the county of Delaware and State of Pennsylvania, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested

in the President on and after July 1, 1898. Mr. Armstrong is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Ada U. Ashcom, to be postmaster at Ligonier, in the county of Westmoreland and State of Pennsylvania, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President from and after July 1, 1898. Ada U. Ashcom is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William P. Bach, to be postmaster at Pottstown, in the county of Montgomery and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of M. S. Longaker, whose commission expired August 16, 1898. Mr. Bach is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Manfred H. Barr, to be postmaster at Milton, in the county of Northumberland and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of Horace Gauger, whose commission expired August 24, 1898. Mr. Barr is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William A. Boyd, to be postmaster at Sandy Lake, in the county of Mercer and State of Pennsylvania, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898.

Cornelius P. Bucklin, to be postmaster at Tidioute, in the county of Warren and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of W. R. Dawson, whose commission expired March 19, 1898. Mr. Bucklin is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Henry M. Brownback, to be postmaster at Norristown, in the county of Montgomery and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of Albrecht Kneule, whose commission expired August 16, 1898. Mr. Brownback is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Abel H. Byers, to be postmaster at Hamburg, in the county of Berks and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of B. F. Bean, whose commission expired December 11, 1898. Mr. Byers is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles Crouse, to be postmaster at Wyoming, in the county of Luzerne and State of Pennsylvania, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Crouse is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Judson A. Elliott, to be postmaster at Mansfield, in the county of Tioga and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of J. L. Cummings, whose commission expired August 16, 1898. Mr. Elliott is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Barnett C. Fretts, to be postmaster at Scottdale, in the county of Westmoreland and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of W. L. Kelly, whose commission expired December 11, 1898. Mr. Fretts is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William E. Harrison, to be postmaster at McKeesport, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of G. F. Myer, whose commission expired August 16, 1898. Mr. Harrison is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Amos R. Hougendobler, to be postmaster at Columbia, in the county of Lancaster and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of John Westernman, whose commission expired July 30, 1898. Mr. Hougendobler is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Francis I. Jones, to be postmaster at Blossburg, in the county of Tioga and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of F. H. Stratton, whose commission expired March 29, 1898. Mr. Jones is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Joseph I. Latimer, to be postmaster at New Bethlehem, in the county of Clarion and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of J. S. Sloan, whose commission expired July 30, 1898. Mr. Latimer is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Jonas E. Laubenstein, to be postmaster at Minersville, in the county of Schuylkill and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of C. E. Steel, removed. Mr. Laubenstein is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William H. H. Lea, to be postmaster at Carnegie, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of Charles Sossong, removed. Mr. Lea is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John G. McCamant, to be postmaster at Tyrone, in the county of Blair and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of W. F. Conrad, whose commission expired March 21, 1898. Mr. McCamant is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Frank H. McCully, to be postmaster at Osceola Mills, in the county of Clearfield and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of J. Earley, whose commission expired March 5, 1898. Mr. McCully is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Thomas P. Macfarlane, to be postmaster at Kingston, in the county of Luzerne and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of H. Manscoy, whose commission expired June 29, 1898. Mr. Macfarlane is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William M. McKim, to be postmaster at Oil City, in the county of Venango and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of J. H. Payne, whose commission expired March 14, 1898. Mr. McKim is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Nathan N. Metcalf, to be postmaster at Austin, in the county of Potter and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of H. D. Caskey, whose commission expired May 23, 1898. Mr. Metcalf is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Herman H. North, to be postmaster at Bradford, in the county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of J. H. Ossenbeck, whose commission expired August 16, 1898. Mr. North is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles W. Oberg, to be postmaster at Mount Jewett, in the county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of T. J. Butler, removed. Mr. Oberg is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Samuel M. Rhone, to be postmaster at Montgomery, in the county of Lycoming and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of L. G. Kilmer, whose commission expired July 10, 1898. Mr. Rhone is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Lucius Rogers, to be postmaster at Kane, in the county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of J. H. Grady, whose commission expired July 30, 1898. Mr. Rogers is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles W. Scott, to be postmaster at Williamsport, in the county of Lycoming and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of James W. Sweely, whose commission expired March 15, 1898. Mr. Scott is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George E. Shaw, to be postmaster at New Kensington, in the county of Westmoreland and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of D. H. McCarty, whose commission expired March 19, 1898. George E. Shaw is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Samuel M. Stewart, to be postmaster at Mercer, in the county of Mercer and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of R. J. Zahner, whose commission expired June 7, 1898. Mr. Stewart is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Howard S. Stillwagon, to be postmaster at Rosemont, in the county of Montgomery and State of Pennsylvania, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President from and after July 1, 1897. Mr. Stillwagon is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William W. Wren, to be postmaster at Boyertown, in the county of Berks and State of Pennsylvania, in the place of B. J. Rhoads, removed. Mr. Wren is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William W. D. Yerkes, to be postmaster at Ogontz, in the county of Montgomery and State of Pennsylvania, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after July 1, 1898. Mr. Yerkes is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George E. Gardner, to be postmaster at Wickford, in the county of Washington and State of Rhode Island, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Gardner is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Warren W. Logee, to be postmaster at Pascoag, in the county of Providence and State of Rhode Island, in the place of E. L. Hawkes, whose commission expired June 5, 1898. Mr. Logee is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John R. Cochran, jr., to be postmaster at Anderson, in the county of Anderson and State of South Carolina, in the place of M. P. Tribble, removed. Mr. Cochran is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John W. Dunovant, to be postmaster at Chester, in the county of Chester and State of South Carolina, in the place of Caroline

A. Youngblood, whose commission expired May 11, 1898. Mr. Dunovant is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George H. McKee, to be postmaster at Darlington, in the county of Darlington and State of South Carolina, in the place of A. A. Gandy, whose commission expired March 14, 1898. Mr. McKee is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

James B. Barber, to be postmaster at Rapid City, in the county of Pennington and State of South Dakota, in the place of Gustavus Schnasse, whose commission expired April 11, 1898. Mr. Barber is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John H. Dobson, to be postmaster at Alexandria, in the county of Hanson and State of South Dakota, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Dobson is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Frank T. Hoard, to be postmaster at Howard, in the county of Miner and State of South Dakota, in the place of Barney O'Neill, removed. Mr. Hoard is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Thomas B. Roberts, to be postmaster at Armour, in the county of Douglas and State of South Dakota, in the place of G. W. Mathews, resigned. Mr. Roberts is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

James A. Stewart, to be postmaster at Edgemont, in the county of Fall River and State of South Dakota, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after July 1, 1898. Mr. Stewart is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Allen Smith, to be postmaster at Elkton, in the county of Brookings and State of South Dakota, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after July 1, 1898. Mr. Smith is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Gus A. McLane, to be postmaster at Lewisburg, in the county of Marshall and State of Tennessee, in the place of P. G. McCord, whose commission expired December 12, 1898. Mr. McLane is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Adolph Ashheim, to be postmaster at Brownsville, in the county of Cameron and State of Texas, in the place of W. J. Russell, whose commission expired April 5, 1898. Mr. Ashheim is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Harry Beck, to be postmaster at Hillsboro, in the county of Hill and State of Texas, in the place of Sallie West, resigned. Mr. Beck is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Clarence L. Bush, to be postmaster at Gatesville, in the county of Coryell and State of Texas, in the place of B. F. McClinton, whose commission expired May 23, 1898. Mr. Bush is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John M. Clark, to be postmaster at Yoakum, in the county of Dewitt and State of Texas, in the place of Alexander May, removed. Mr. Clark is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George W. Cotter, to be postmaster at Alvarado, in the county of Johnson and State of Texas, in the place of J. H. Cranford, resigned. Mr. Cotter is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles S. Doubleday, to be postmaster at Hico, in the county of Hamilton and State of Texas, in the place of S. H. Jones, whose commission expired August 24, 1898. Mr. Doubleday is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Owen Ford, to be postmaster at San Marcos, in the county of Hays and State of Texas, in the place of J. H. McGehee, whose commission expired April 24, 1898. Mr. Ford is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Elizabeth Rhea, to be postmaster at Groesbeck, in the county of Limestone and State of Texas, in the place of L. T. Padgett, whose commission expired December 11, 1898. Elizabeth Rhea is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Harper Simpson, to be postmaster at Edna, in the county of Jackson and State of Texas, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1897. Mr. Simpson is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William A. Stoner, to be postmaster at Waco, in the county of McLennan and State of Texas, in the place of J. H. Harrison,

whose commission expired August 8, 1898. Mr. Stoner is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Carrie E. Vaughan, to be postmaster at Seguin, in the county of Guadalupe and State of Texas, in the place of A. W. Dibrell, whose commission expired February 7, 1898. Carrie E. Vaughan is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George L. Clark, to be postmaster at Island Pond, in the county of Essex and State of Vermont, in the place of T. C. Tracy, removed. Mr. Clark is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Mina D. Jones, to be postmaster at Chester, in the county of Windsor and State of Vermont, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mina D. Jones is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Frank T. Taylor, to be postmaster at Hardwick, in the county of Caledonia and State of Vermont, in the place of J. H. McLoud, removed. Mr. Taylor is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Maggie W. Jordan, to be postmaster at Wytheville, in the county of Wythe and State of Virginia, in the place of T. G. Kent, whose commission expired June 9, 1898. Maggie W. Jordan is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles A. McKinney, to be postmaster at Cape Charles, in the county of Northampton and State of Virginia, in the place of J. W. Carroll, removed. Mr. McKinney is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George T. Tilley, to be postmaster at Berkley, in the county of Norfolk and State of Virginia, in the place of T. C. Humphries, removed. Mr. Tilley is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

John R. Waddy, to be postmaster at Norfolk, in the county of Norfolk and State of Virginia, in the place of W. T. Anderson, removed. Mr. Waddy is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Dan W. Bush, to be postmaster at Chehalis, in the county of Lewis and State of Washington, in the place of Charles E. Lillpop, whose commission expired August 11, 1898. Mr. Bush is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Martin Cameron, to be postmaster at Ellensburg, in the county of Kittitas and State of Washington, in the place of W. H. Peterson, whose commission expired April 5, 1898. Mr. Cameron is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Nellie E. Devilbiss, to be postmaster at Montesano, in the county of Chehalis and State of Washington, in the place of O. D. Ayer, whose commission expired May 9, 1898. Nellie E. Devilbiss is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William D. Todd, to be postmaster at Northport, in the county of Stevens and State of Washington, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after April 1, 1898. Mr. Todd is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Amos A. Bee, to be postmaster at West Union, in the county of Doddridge and State of West Virginia, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after July 1, 1898. Mr. Bee is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

James B. Campbell, to be postmaster at New Cumberland, in the county of Hancock and State of West Virginia, in the place of F. W. Stewart, whose commission expired May 11, 1898. Mr. Campbell is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

James H. Dunn, to be postmaster at Sutton, in the county of Braxton and State of West Virginia, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after July 1, 1898. Mr. Dunn is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Louis D. Getzendaner to be postmaster at Charlestown, in the county of Jefferson and State of West Virginia, in the place of G. H. Flagg, whose commission expired April 7, 1898. Mr. Getzendaner is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Mary V. B. Montgomery to be postmaster at Montgomery, in the county of Fayette and State of West Virginia, in the place of A. E. Montgomery, deceased. Mary V. B. Montgomery is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Obe A. Petty, to be postmaster at Charleston, in the county of Kanawha and State of West Virginia, in the place of Annie B.

Kenna, whose commission expired September 23, 1897. Mr. Petty is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Arthur P. Cheek, to be postmaster at Baraboo, in the county of Sauk and State of Wisconsin, in the place of Ransom Jackson, whose commission expired March 15, 1898. Mr. Cheek is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Ira P. Coon, to be postmaster at Plainfield, in the county of Waushara and State of Wisconsin, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Coon is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George H. Dodge, to be postmaster at Arcadia, in the county of Trempealeau and State of Wisconsin, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Dodge is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Edwin F. Ganz, to be postmaster at Alma, in the county of Buffalo and State of Wisconsin, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. Ganz is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William H. Johnson, to be postmaster at Berlin, in the county of Green Lake and State of Wisconsin, in the place of James Carey, whose commission expired July 18, 1898. Mr. Johnson is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Fitz James Hamilton, to be postmaster at Sturgeon Bay, in the county of Door and State of Wisconsin, in the place of Arnold Wagener, whose commission expired April 5, 1898. Mr. Hamilton is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Lemuel P. Hindes, to be postmaster at Lodi, in the county of Columbia and State of Wisconsin, in the place of Job Mills, removed. Mr. Hindes is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Charles E. Raught, to be postmaster at South Kaukauna, in the county of Outagamie and State of Wisconsin, in the place of H. J. Mulholland, removed. Mr. Raught is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Byron H. Sanford, to be postmaster at Sheboygan Falls, in the county of Sheboygan and State of Wisconsin, in the place of G. B. Ogle, whose commission expired May 16, 1898. Mr. Sanford is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

George W. Smith, to be postmaster at Eau Claire, in the county of Eau Claire and State of Wisconsin, in the place of Emmet Horan, whose commission expired May 4, 1898. Mr. Smith is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

Jarvis White, to be postmaster at South Superior, in the county of Douglas and State of Wisconsin, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. White is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

William White, to be postmaster at Algoma, in the county of Kewaunee and State of Wisconsin, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898. Mr. White is now serving under a temporary commission issued during the recess of the Senate.

James A. McAvoy, to be postmaster at Lander, in the county of Fremont and State of Wyoming, the appointment of a postmaster for the said office having, by law, become vested in the President on and after October 1, 1898.

APPOINTMENTS IN THE VOLUNTEER ARMY.

To be inspector-general with the rank of lieutenant-colonel.

Maj. Philip Reade, inspector-general, United States Volunteers.

FIRST REGIMENT VOLUNTEER CAVALRY, MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 15, 1898.

To be lieutenant-colonel.

Maj. Alexander O. Brodie, First United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Roosevelt, promoted, August 11, 1898.

To be major.

Capt. Micah J. Jenkins, First United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Brodie, promoted, August 11, 1898.

To be captains.

First Lieut. Woodbury Kane, First United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Jenkins, promoted, August 11, 1898.

First Lieut. Frank Franz, First United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice O'Neill, deceased, August 11, 1898.

Second Lieut. Richard C. Day, First United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Capron, deceased, August 11, 1898.

To be first lieutenants.

Second Lieut. Maxwell Keys, First United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Hall, resigned, August 11, 1898.

Second Lieut. David M. Goodrich, First United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Kane, promoted, August 11, 1898.

Second Lieut. John E. Greenway, First United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Franz, promoted, August 11, 1898.

Second Lieut. Sherrard Coleman, First United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Schweizer, honorably discharged, September 7, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

Sergt. William E. Dame, First United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Keys, promoted, August 11, 1898.

Sergt. Robert M. Ferguson, First United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Goodrich, promoted, August 11, 1898.

Sergt. Frank Hayes, First United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Day, promoted, August 11, 1898.

Sergt. William Tiffany, First United States Volunteer Cavalry (since deceased), vice Greenway, promoted, August 11, 1898.

Corpl. Samuel Greenwald, First United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Tiffany (deceased), August 31, 1898.

Sergt. John A. McIlhenny, First United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Coleman, promoted, September 7, 1898.

SECOND REGIMENT VOLUNTEER CAVALRY, MUSTERED OUT OCTOBER 24, 1898.

To be majors.

William G. Wheeler, of Colorado, to fill an original vacancy, July 17, 1898.

Robert Calverley, of Wyoming, to fill an original vacancy, July 17, 1898.

To be assistant surgeon with the rank of first lieutenant.

George R. White, of New York, to fill an original vacancy, July 25, 1898.

To be captains.

Arthur L. B. Davies, of Colorado, to fill an original vacancy, July 17, 1898.

J. Wash. Young, of Utah, to fill an original vacancy, July 17, 1898.

Robert A. Hocker, of Wyoming, to fill an original vacancy, July 17, 1898.

First Lieut. Walter C. Shoup, Second United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Norfolk, resigned, September 10, 1898.

To be first lieutenants.

Francis A. Perry, of Colorado, to fill an original vacancy, July 17, 1898.

Edgar D. Shurtleff, of Wyoming, to fill an original vacancy, July 17, 1898.

Andrew J. Burt, of Utah, to fill an original vacancy, July 17, 1898.

John H. Ivey, of Wyoming, to fill an original vacancy, July 28, 1898.

Second Lieut. Morgan F. Knadler, Second United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Shoup, promoted, September 10, 1898.

Second Lieut. Lewis S. Magruder, Second United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Brees, resigned, September 10, 1898.

First Sergt. Henry R. Crane, Company D, Second United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Hunt, resigned, September 27, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

First Sergt. Sidney K. Hooper, Troop I, Second United States Volunteer Cavalry, to fill an original vacancy, July 17, 1898.

Sergt. Cyrus E. Mead, Troop B, Second United States Volunteer Cavalry, to fill an original vacancy, July 17, 1898.

Sergt. Thomas W. Davies, Troop L, Second United States Volunteer Cavalry, to fill an original vacancy, July 17, 1898.

Corpl. Ralph P. Cooper, Troop G, Second United States Volunteer Cavalry, to fill an original vacancy, July 28, 1898.

Sergt. William J. Abrams, Second United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Knadler, promoted, September 10, 1898.

First Sergt. Thomas J. Gatchell, Second United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Magruder, promoted, September 10, 1898.

THIRD REGIMENT VOLUNTEER CAVALRY, MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 8, 1898.

To be surgeon with the rank of major.

First Lieut. Edward P. Grigsby, assistant surgeon, Third United States Volunteer Cavalry, to fill an original vacancy, September 26, 1898.

To be assistant surgeons with the rank of first lieutenant.

Edward P. Grigsby, of Pennsylvania, to fill an original vacancy, since promoted, July 13, 1898.

Private Edward D. Piper, Troop E, First Illinois Volunteer Cavalry, vice Grigsby, promoted, September 26, 1898.

SECOND REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be assistant surgeons with the rank of first lieutenant.

Charles Bruning, of Louisiana, to fill an original vacancy, July 15, 1898.

Henry J. Combrel, hospital steward, Second United States Volunteer Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, July 19, 1898.

To be captains.

First Lieut. Edwin T. Rockwell, Second United States Volunteer Infantry, vice McCoy, resigned, September 30, 1898.

First Lieut. Michael Pickard, Second United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Mather, resigned, September 23, 1898.

First Lieut. Charles E. Jones, Second United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Looney, resigned, November 23, 1898.

To be first lieutenants.

Second Lieut. Pierre W. Woodlief, Second United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Pickard, promoted, September 23, 1898.

Second Lieut. Walker W. Hamner, Second United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Rockwell, promoted, October 1, 1898.

Second Lieut. John B. Mangum, Second United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Jones, promoted, November 23, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

Thomas Marriott, of Texas, to fill an original vacancy, July 21, 1898.

Harry A. Dawson, of Maryland, vice Trotti, resigned, September 21, 1898.

Sergt. Maj. Joseph H. Jones, Second United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Woodlief, promoted, September 23, 1898.

First Sergt. John C. Moore, Second United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Hamner, promoted, October 15, 1898.

Lafayette A. Dorrington, late first lieutenant, Second Nebraska Volunteers, vice Allen, resigned, October 26, 1898.

Q. M. Sergt. Walter A. Robertson, Second United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Mangum, promoted, November 23, 1898.

THIRD REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be lieutenant-colonel.

Maj. Thomas S. Wylly, Third United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Reaves, resigned, October 1, 1898.

To be majors.

Capt. Edward Wilson, Third United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Gordon, resigned, October 1, 1898.

Capt. Marion W. Harris, Third United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Wylly, promoted, October 1, 1898.

To be assistant surgeons with the rank of first lieutenant.

William A. Chapman, of Georgia, vice Foote, resigned, July 15, 1898.

Julius C. Lehardy, jr., acting hospital steward, Third United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Quinn, whose commission was canceled August 18, 1898.

To be captains.

First Lieut. Sidney R. Wiley, Third United States Volunteer Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, August 12, 1898.

First Lieut. William Albert Jones, Third United States Volunteer Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, August 12, 1898.

First Lieut. Robert B. McBride, Third United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Maddox, resigned, October 1, 1898.

First Lieut. Albert W. Gilchrist, Third United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Peixotto, deceased, November 4, 1898.

First Lieut. Rex Van Deu Corput, Third United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Wilcox, resigned, November 11, 1898.

To be first lieutenants.

James A. Thomas, of Georgia, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Robert W. Collins, of South Carolina, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Second Lieut. Eddy B. Stevens, Third Regiment United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Peixotto, promoted, October 1, 1898.

Second Lieut. Edward Harralson, Third Regiment United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Wiley, promoted, October 1, 1898.

Second Lieut. Martin Williams, Third Regiment United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Parker, resigned, October 1, 1898.

Second Lieut. James H. Blount, jr., Third Regiment United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Gilchrist, promoted, November 14, 1898.

Second Lieut. James E. Bunting, Third Regiment United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Van Deu Corput, promoted, November 14, 1898.

Second Lieut. David C. Barrow, Third Regiment United States Volunteer Infantry, vice McBride, promoted, November 28, 1898.

Second Lieut. Harry C. McCool, Third Regiment United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Hoyl, resigned, November 28, 1898.

Second Lieut. Frank F. Crenshaw, Third Regiment United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Jones, promoted, August 12, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

Alpheus W. McCall, of Georgia, to fill an original vacancy July 13, 1898.

Harry C. McCool, of Georgia, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Jefferson D. Rooney, of Georgia, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

David C. Barrow, of Georgia, vice Johnson, deceased, July 13, 1898.

Sergt. Iverson Brooks Clarke, Company D, Third United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Crenshaw, promoted, August 12, 1898.

Private Howard G. Young, Troop I, First United States Volunteer Cavalry, vice Estell, promoted, August 12, 1898.

Sergt. Alton A. Clark, Third United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Stevens, promoted, October 1, 1898.

Sergt. Hiram L. Middlebrook, Third United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Williams, promoted, October 1, 1898.

Arthur W. Dunn, of Georgia, vice Harralson, promoted, November 7, 1898.

FOURTH REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be captains.

First Lieut. Charles C. Berkeley, Fourth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Treadwell, deceased, October 1, 1898.

Henry A. Wise, of New York, to fill an original vacancy, June 29, 1898.

To be first lieutenants.

Second Lieut. Abram Houghlan, Fourth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Parker, resigned, September 16, 1898.

Second Lieut. William Peacock, Fourth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Berkeley, promoted, October 1, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

Sergt. Maj. Jennings B. Wilson, Fourth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Peacock, promoted, September 16, 1898.

First Sergt. Harry N. Cootes, Fourth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Houghlan, promoted, October 1, 1898.

Sergt. Edward H. Brian, Company D, Fourth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Throckmorton, resigned, October 1, 1898.

FIFTH REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be surgeon with the rank of major.

First Lieut. Charles T. Pollard, assistant surgeon, Fifth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Winchester, resigned, September 1, 1898.

To be assistant surgeon with the rank of first lieutenant.

Evan P. Howell, of Georgia, vice Pollard, promoted, September 1, 1898.

To be chaplain.

William K. Simpson, of Alabama, vice Wear, resigned, August 16, 1898.

To be captains.

Robert S. Teague, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

John E. Taylor, of Mississippi, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Henry M. Bankhead, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

First Lieut. James C. Hixson, Fifth United States Volunteer Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

James E. Shelly, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Sergt. Walton Shields, Company C, Second Missouri Volunteers, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Thomas H. Underwood, of Louisiana, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Thomas H. Sharpe, of Mississippi, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Kibble J. Harrison, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

William M. Walker, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Edward S. Whitaker, of Louisiana, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

To be first lieutenants.

Thomas B. Frank, of Mississippi, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Philip H. Stern, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

William Grimshaw, of Louisiana, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Norman C. Jones, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Claude A. Allen, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Sergt. Dabney H. Hood, Company C, Second Mississippi Volunteers, vice Hixson, promoted, July 13, 1898.

Marion Letcher, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

William J. Jennings, of Mississippi, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Byron Dozier, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Arthur W. Orton, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

George G. Whitehead, of Mississippi, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

Thomas L. Anglin, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

John Burke, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Thomas W. Trainer, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

William A. Crossland, jr., of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Corpl. Thomas C. Baird, Company C, Second Mississippi Volunteers, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

George Culver, of Mississippi, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Virgil P. Randolph, of Tennessee, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Charles J. Fromberg, of Louisiana, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Jennings J. Peirce, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Walter C. Harkins, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Robert L. Bullard, of Mississippi, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

SIXTH REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be captains.

First Lieut. Cary F. Spence, Sixth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Hicks, resigned, October 13, 1898.

First Lieut. Horace Van Deventer, Sixth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Fox, resigned, November 25, 1898.

To be first lieutenants.

Second Lieut. Robert McFarland Barton, Sixth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Spence, promoted, August 24, 1898.

Second Lieut. George M. Whitson, Sixth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Milton, resigned, October 3, 1898.

Second Lieut. Grant T. Trent, Sixth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Dennis, resigned, October 13, 1898.

Second Lieut. Harris Lindsley, Sixth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Van Deventer, promoted, December 2, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

Q. M. Sergt. Alexander M. Hall, Sixth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Barton, promoted, October 3, 1898.

First Sergt. Andrew R. Humes, Sixth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Trent, promoted, October 6, 1898.

Sergt. Alvin Barton, Sixth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Tilson, resigned, October 13, 1898.

Private Langhorne D. Lewis, Company K, Second Virginia Volunteers, vice Whitson, promoted, August 26, 1898.

Sergt. Maj. Shirley E. Spence, Sixth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Lindsley, promoted, December 2, 1898.

SEVENTH REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be major.

Maj. Clarence A. Sinclair, First Missouri Volunteers, vice Branch, resigned, September 21, 1898.

To be surgeon with the rank of major.

First Lieut. Maj. A. W. Shockley, assistant surgeon, Seventh United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Davis, promoted, September 21, 1898.

To be assistant surgeon with the rank of first lieutenant.

John S. Wever, of Kansas, vice Shockley, promoted, September 27, 1898.

To be captains.

First Lieut. William Hammond, Seventh United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Waldeck, resigned, November 15, 1898.

Luther S. Kelly, of New York, vice Randolph, deceased, November 15, 1898.

To be first lieutenant.

Com. Sergt. William H. Boog, United States Army, vice Hammond, promoted, November 15, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

James H. Wilson, of Missouri, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Peter C. Roundtree, of Arkansas, to fill an original vacancy, July 26, 1898.

Lewis Hunter, of Missouri, to fill an original vacancy, July 26, 1898.

Joseph Armstrong, of Missouri, to fill an original vacancy, July 26, 1898.

Jesse C. Duke, of Arkansas, to fill an original vacancy, July 26, 1898.

Robert A. Wilburn, of Iowa, to fill an original vacancy, July 26, 1898.

First Sergt. Frederick H. Huskins, Company L, Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, September 7, 1898.

Sergt. William B. Coleman, Company E, Seventh United States Volunteer Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, September 7, 1898.

Sergt. Beverly Perea, Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, vice Lee, resigned, September 16, 1898.

Allen S. Pearl, of Texas, vice Morris, resigned, September 7, 1898.

EIGHTH REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be captains.

Post Q. M. Sergt. Gustavus W. Fahlbush, United States Army, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Elmer E. Hood, of West Virginia, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Charles O. Thomas, jr., of Tennessee, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Robertson Palmer, of Illinois, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

First Sergt. William T. Bishop, Company C, Third New Jersey Volunteers, to fill an original vacancy, July 27, 1898.

To be first lieutenants.

Sergt. Joseph Moore, Troop A, Ninth United States Cavalry, to fill an original vacancy, July 19, 1898.

Private Benjamin O. Davis, Company G, Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Second Lieut. Thomas H. R. Clarke, Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Second Lieut. William Washington, Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, July 29, 1898.

Second Lieut. John C. Proctor, Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, July 29, 1898.

Private John H. Hill, Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, July 21, 1898.

George T. Robinson, of Tennessee, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Second Lieut. William McBryar, Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Waller, whose commission was canceled September 7, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

First Sergt. John C. Proctor, Troop A, Ninth United States Cavalry, to fill an original vacancy, July 17, 1898.

Sergt. William McBryar, Company H, Twenty-fifth United States Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, July 29, 1898.

Sergt. Wyatt Huffman, Company G, Twenty-fifth United States Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, July 29, 1898.

Sergt. Macon Russell, Company H, Twenty-fifth United States Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, July 29, 1898.

Private Charles E. Minkens, Company G, Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Sherman T. Wiggins, of Texas, to fill an original vacancy, July 19, 1898.

William L. Irvin, of Tennessee, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Sergt. Andrew J. Smith, Company B, Twenty-fifth United States Infantry, vice Clark, promoted, July 29, 1898.

First Sergt. Edward Goins, Company D, Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Woodford, resigned, September 7, 1898.

First Sergt. Earnest Gaither, Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Davis, resigned, September 7, 1898.

Sergt. Maj. Bartley J. Campbell, Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice McBryar, promoted, October 20, 1898.

First Sergt. Grafton S. Norman, Company K, Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Austin, resigned, October 26, 1898.

William Cardozo, of South Carolina, vice Washington, promoted, August 8, 1898.

NINTH REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be captains.

Charles G. Bickham, of Ohio, vice Lincoln, declined, July 19, 1898.

First Lieut. Charles D. Wood, Ninth United States Volunteer Infantry, vice Simpson, resigned, November 28, 1898.

Sergt. William M. Brown, Company C, Second United States Infantry, vice Chandler, resigned, August 10, 1898.

Edward B. Markley, of Texas, vice Patrick, resigned, August 10, 1898.

To be first lieutenants.

Pierre L. Carmonche, of Louisiana, to fill an original vacancy, July 21, 1898.

Henry H. Blunt, of Louisiana, to fill an original vacancy, July 19, 1898.

Arthur Victor Harang, of Louisiana, to fill an original vacancy, July 19, 1898.

First Sergt. William Henry Franklin, Company C, Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, vice Walton, whose commission was canceled, August 16, 1898.

First Sergt. Alexander Richardson, Company B, Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, vice Barnett, deceased, October 24, 1898.

Sergt. William Wilkes, Company F, Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, vice Johnson, resigned, October 24, 1898.

First Sergt. Edward Williams, Company C, Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, vice Smiley, resigned, October 24, 1898.

James Longstreet, jr., of Georgia, vice Wood, promoted, November 28, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

Walter A. Pinchback, of Louisiana, to fill an original vacancy, July 19, 1898.

William Robinson, of Louisiana, to fill an original vacancy, July 19, 1898.

Lafayette Tharp, of Louisiana, to fill an original vacancy, July 19, 1898.

First Sergt. Robert G. Woods, Company G, Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, vice Duncan, resigned, October 24, 1898.

Private Thomas C. Butler, Company H, Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, vice Philipson, resigned, October 24, 1898.

Saddler Sergt. Jacob C. Smith, Tenth United States Cavalry, vice Butler, resigned, October 24, 1898.

Saddler Sergt. John W. Brown, Ninth United States Cavalry, vice Petivan, resigned, October 24, 1898.

Sergt. Stephen Starr, Company D, Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, vice Allen, deceased, November 28, 1898.

TENTH REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be colonel.

Capt. Thaddeus W. Jones, Tenth United States Cavalry, vice Lee, resigned, July 13, 1898.

To be major.

Algernon A. Mabson, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 25, 1898.

To be captains.

Robert Lee Byrd, of Georgia, to fill an original vacancy, July 15, 1898.

Austin P. Mullarky, of Georgia, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

George W. Henneman, of South Carolina, to fill an original vacancy, July 21, 1898.

Clarence S. Nettles, of South Carolina, to fill an original vacancy, August 9, 1898.

William G. Chafee, of South Carolina, to fill an original vacancy, August 20, 1898.

First Sergt. Francis H. Cameron, Troop F, Second United States Cavalry, to fill an original vacancy, August 20, 1898.

To be first lieutenants.

Thomas L. Cotton, of Georgia, to fill an original vacancy, July 19, 1898.

William A. Hilton, of Virginia, to fill an original vacancy, July 19, 1898.

Second Lieut. Winfield S. Brown, Tenth United States Volunteer Infantry, to fill an existing vacancy, July 26, 1898.

Edwin A. Brown, of Alabama, to fill an original vacancy, July 26, 1898.

Floyd H. Crumbly, of Georgia, to fill an original vacancy, July 26, 1898.

Second Lieut. Thomas Grant, Tenth United States Volunteer Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, July 26, 1898.

Sergt. Maj. Edward L. Baker, Tenth United States Cavalry, to fill an original vacancy, August 2, 1898.

Sergt. Maj. John H. Anderson, Ninth United States Cavalry, to fill an original vacancy, August 2, 1898.

Q. M. Sergt. Alfred M. Ray, Troop F, Tenth United States Cavalry, to fill an original vacancy, August 2, 1898.

Sergt. Maj. George W. McGaffin, Ninth United States Infantry, vice Harris, resigned, October 25, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

First Sergt. John C. Pendergrass, Troop A, Tenth United States Cavalry, to fill an original vacancy, August 2, 1898.

First Sergt. William H. Givens, Troop D, Tenth United States Cavalry, to fill an original vacancy, August 2, 1898.

First Sergt. Saint Foster, Troop C, Tenth United States Cavalry, to fill an original vacancy, August 2, 1898.

Charles H. Burton, of North Carolina, to fill an original vacancy, August 10, 1898.

John J. Oliver, of Georgia, to fill an original vacancy, August 20, 1898.

Sergt. Elisha Jackson, Troop H, Ninth United States Cavalry, to fill an original vacancy, August 10, 1898.

Private Edward I. Alexander, jr., Company L, Tenth United States Volunteer Infantry, to fill an original vacancy, July 26, 1898.

Private William Blaney, Company B, Tenth United States Infantry, vice Grant, promoted, July 26, 1898.

Joseph E. Mathews, of Georgia, vice Brown, promoted, July 26, 1898.

SECOND REGIMENT VOLUNTEER ENGINEERS.

To be assistant surgeons with the rank of first lieutenant.

Edward J. Barrett, of Illinois, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Patrick J. McKenna, of Utah, to fill an original vacancy, July 19, 1898.

To be chaplain.

Elias S. Kimball, of Utah, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

To be captains.

William L. Geary, of Washington, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

George W. Freeman, of Oregon, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

First Lieut. Freemont Hill, Second United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Hurd, declined, July 21, 1898.

To be first lieutenants.

Second Lieut. Joseph R. McAndrews, Second United States Volunteer Engineers, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

John E. Savage, of California, vice Hamilton, declined, July 21, 1898.

Edwin W. Vincent, of North Dakota, vice Hill, promoted, July 21, 1898.

Charles A. Coolidge, of Oregon, vice Butler, declined, July 21, 1898.

Second Lieut. Frank H. Martin, Second United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Fishburn, resigned, November 7, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

Sergt. Arthur S. Carswell, Company B, Second United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Martin, promoted, November 15, 1898.

Sergt. Charles J. Carlsen, Second United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Tannatt, resigned, November 7, 1898.

THIRD REGIMENT VOLUNTEER ENGINEERS.

To be lieutenant-colonel.

Maj. Edgar Jadwin, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Spencer, resigned, September 15, 1898.

To be majors.

First Lieut. Stephen M. Foote, Fourth United States Artillery, vice Morrow, resigned, October 8, 1898.

Capt. John L. Van Ornum, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Davis, resigned, October 20, 1898.

To be assistant surgeon with the rank of first lieutenant.

Henry J. Hinkel, acting assistant surgeon, United States Army, vice Gibbon, resigned, October 23, 1898.

To be chaplain.

Samuel W. Small, of Georgia, to fill an original vacancy, July 15, 1898.

To be captains.

First Lieut. Henry L. Reber, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Taylor, resigned, August 26, 1898.

First Lieut. Frederick C. Hand, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Laird, resigned, October 12, 1898.

First Lieut. Charles H. Smith, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Van Ornum, promoted, October 20, 1898.

To be first lieutenants.

Fingal C. Black, of South Carolina, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Thomas C. Thomas, of Mississippi, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Charles A. Miner, of Louisiana, to fill an original vacancy, July 13, 1898.

Second Lieut. James R. Fain, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Bacon, resigned, August 26, 1898.

Second Lieut. Samuel F. Crecelius, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Reber, promoted, August 26, 1898.

Second Lieut. Walter S. Brown, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice White, resigned, September 12, 1898.

Second Lieut. Jeff. D. Regan, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Laird, promoted, September 30, 1898.

Second Lieut. Elmer Zarbell, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Hand, promoted, October 12, 1898.

Second Lieut. William D. Rhea, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Smith, promoted, October 20, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

Sergt. Wharton Griffin, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Fain, promoted, August 26, 1898.

Private Rudolph Bumgardner, Company K, Second Virginia Volunteers, vice Crecelius, promoted, August 26, 1898.

Corpl. Samuel Dibble, jr., Company C, Second South Carolina Volunteers, vice Chadbourne, declined, July 25, 1898.

Sergt. Maj. William A. Kent, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Brown, promoted, September 12, 1898.

Battalion Sergt. Maj. Raymond W. Hardenbergh, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Regan, promoted, September 30, 1898.

Battalion Sergt. Maj. Charles B. Gwynn, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Zarbell, promoted, October 12, 1898.

Sergt. George M. Holly, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Rhea, promoted, October 20, 1898.

Sergt. Charles E. Codd, Company G, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Whitehead, resigned, November 19, 1898.

FIRST REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be first lieutenant.

Second Lieut. Joseph McA. Power, First United States Volunteer Infantry, since mustered out, September 1, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

Q. M. Sergt. William D. Wylie, jr., Company K, First United States Volunteer Infantry, since mustered out, September 21, 1898.

Sergt. William C. Lothrop, Company K, First United States Volunteer Infantry, since mustered out, September 23, 1898.

Q. M. Sergt. Lee Marston, First United States Volunteer Infantry, since mustered out, September 23, 1898.

THIRD REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be captains.

Hugh H. Colquitt, of Georgia, since resigned, July 13, 1898.

First Lieut. Daniel L. M. Peixotto, Third United States Volunteer Infantry, since deceased, October 1, 1898.

To be first lieutenants.

Second Lieut. John H. Estell, jr., Third United States Volunteer Infantry, since resigned, August 12, 1898.

Thomas L. Jelks, of Georgia, since declined, July 13, 1898.

To be second lieutenant.

Sergt. Joshua W. Johnson, Third Volunteer Infantry, since deceased, October 1, 1898.

FOURTH REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be second lieutenant.

Howard W. Throckmorton, of New York, since resigned, June 29, 1898.

SEVENTH REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be captain.

Peyton Randolph, of Maryland, since deceased, September 23, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

Charles W. Lee, of Missouri, since resigned, July 26, 1898.

Howard M. Morris, of Missouri, since resigned, July 26, 1898.

EIGHTH REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be first lieutenant.

Private Alfred T. Waller, Company I, Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry, commission since canceled, July 19, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

Private Richard B. Woodford, Company K, Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry, since resigned, July 19, 1898.

Private David P. Davis, Company C, Eighth United States Volunteer Infantry, since resigned, July 13, 1898.

William W. Gordon, jr., of Georgia, since resigned, July 29, 1898.

George Austin, of Ohio, since resigned, August 6, 1898.

NINTH REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be first lieutenants.

Frederick T. Walton, of Louisiana, commission canceled, physically disqualified, September 21, 1898.

First Sergt. Alexander Williams, Company A, Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, since declined, October 24, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

John W. Butler, of Louisiana, since resigned, June 29, 1898.

Olive S. Duncan, of Louisiana, since resigned, August 2, 1898.

Arthur J. Petivan, of Louisiana, since resigned, July 19, 1898.

TENTH REGIMENT VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

To be first lieutenant.

Q. M. Sergt. Charles G. Harris, Tenth United States Volunteer Infantry, since resigned, July 26, 1898.

FIRST REGIMENT VOLUNTEER ENGINEERS,

Under orders to be mustered out.

To be major.

Capt. Ira A. Shaler, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Duncan, resigned, September 1, 1898.

To be captains.

First Lieut. David L. Hough, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Breese, resigned, September 1, 1898.

First Lieut. Maurice A. Viele, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Kahler, honorably discharged, November 1, 1898.

To be first lieutenants.

Second Lieut. Rodmond V. Beach, First United States Volunteer Engineers, since deceased, vice Bramwell, declined, July 13, 1898.

Second Lieut. Lawrence L. Gillespie, First United States Volunteer Engineers, since resigned, vice Steinmetz, resigned, July 27, 1898.

Second Lieut. Henry P. Walker, First Volunteer Engineers, vice Livingston, promoted, September 1, 1898.

Second Lieut. John George Morgan, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Beach, deceased, October 21, 1898.

Second Lieut. Mathew M. Corbin, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Gillespie, resigned, October 21, 1898.

Second Lieut. William Hopkins, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Dow, resigned, October 21, 1898.

Second Lieut. Harry C. Delano, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Robbins, resigned, October 21, 1898.

Second Lieut. Walcott L. C. Beard, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Lee, resigned, October 21, 1898.

Second Lieut. William G. Mitchell, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Fischer-Hansen, resigned, October 25, 1898.

Second Lieut. Walter C. Kimball, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Sullivan, resigned, October 30, 1898.

Second Lieut. Edward M. Taylor, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Viele, promoted, November 1, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

Private Walter C. Kimball, Company C, New York Volunteer Cavalry, vice Morton, declined, July 13, 1898.

Edward M. Taylor, of New York, vice Beach, promoted, July 27, 1898.

Sergt. Chauncey Eldridge, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Walker, promoted, September 1, 1898.

Howard H. Woodman, of Minnesota, vice Gillespie, promoted, July 29, 1898.

Sergt. Maj. Francis M. Blacklock, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Morgan, promoted, October 21, 1898.

Q. M. Sergt. Omar Jauge, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Corbin, promoted, October 21, 1898.

Sergt. Maj. Archibald S. Downey, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Hopkins, promoted, October 21, 1898.

Sergt. Maj. George L. Taylor, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Beard, promoted, October 21, 1898.

Sergt. Robert C. Wiggin, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Abbott, resigned, October 21, 1898.

Sergt. Walter J. Ives, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Mitchell, promoted, October 25, 1898.

Sergt. Philip W. Lauriat, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Kimball, promoted, October 30, 1898.

Sergt. Aristide Rodrigue, Company K, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Taylor, promoted, November 1, 1898.

Sergt. Edward L. Pierce, First United States Volunteer Engineers, vice Delano, promoted, October 21, 1898.

SECOND REGIMENT VOLUNTEER ENGINEERS.

To be second lieutenant.

Eben T. Tannatt, of Washington, since resigned, July 15, 1898.

THIRD REGIMENT VOLUNTEER ENGINEERS.

To be major.

First Lieut. Jay J. Morrow, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, since resigned, September 15, 1898.

To be captains.

Sidney B. Williamson, of Alabama, since resigned, July 13, 1898.

John L. Van Ornum, of Missouri, since promoted, July 13, 1898.

William D. Taylor, of Louisiana, since resigned, July 13, 1898.

First Lieut. John A. Laird, Third United States Volunteer Engineers, since resigned, September 30, 1898.

To be first lieutenants.

James H. Bacon, of Florida, since resigned, July 13, 1898.

Charles H. Smith, of Georgia, since promoted, July 13, 1898.

Franklin C. Hand, of Texas, since promoted, July 13, 1898.

Henry L. Reber, of Missouri, since promoted, July 13, 1898.

John Alfred Laird, of Missouri, since promoted, July 13, 1898.

Chester Bailey White, of Missouri, since resigned, July 13, 1898.

To be second lieutenants.

William D. Rhea, of Tennessee, since promoted, July 13, 1898.

James R. Fain, of Tennessee, since promoted, July 13, 1898.

Jeff. D. Regan, of Texas, since promoted, July 13, 1898.

Walter S. Brown, of Missouri, since promoted, July 13, 1898.

Samuel F. Crecelius, of Missouri, since promoted, July 13, 1898.

Elmer Zarbell, of Alabama, since promoted, July 19, 1898.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate December 21, 1898.

SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

Ethan A. Hitchcock, of Missouri, to be Secretary of the Interior.

COLLECTORS OF CUSTOMS.

John W. Howell, of Florida, to be collector of customs for the district of Fernandina, in the State of Florida.

William H. Lucas, of Florida, to be collector of customs for the district of St. Johns, in the State of Florida.

Samuel P. Anthony, of Florida, to be collector of customs for the district of St. Marks, in the State of Florida.

COMMISSIONER TO REVISE AND CODIFY CRIMINAL AND PENAL LAWS.

David K. Watson, of Ohio, to be a commissioner to revise and codify the criminal and penal laws of the United States.

ROCK CREEK PARK COMMISSIONER.

Richard Weightman, of the District of Columbia, to be a commissioner, as provided for by the act of Congress approved September 27, 1890, entitled "An act authorizing the establishment of a public park in the District of Columbia," Rock Creek Park commissioner.

RECEIVER OF PUBLIC MONEYS.

Frederick E. McKinley, of Guthrie, Okla., to be receiver of public moneys at Guthrie, Okla.

POSTMASTERS.

Charles W. Scott, to be postmaster at Williamsport, in the county of Lycoming and State of Pennsylvania.

Leopold Steiner, to be postmaster at Austin, in the county of Lander and State of Nevada.

Robert Ross, to be postmaster at East Chicago, in the county of Lake and State of Indiana.

Henry Schrage, jr., to be postmaster at Whiting, in the county of Lake and State of Indiana.

Mary Louise Woods, to be postmaster at Hammond, in the county of Lake and State of Indiana.

William M. Bingham, to be postmaster at Pineville, in the county of Bell and State of Kentucky.

Elmira E. Daugherty, to be postmaster at Frankton, in the county of Madison and State of Indiana.

Edward E. Hissem, to be postmaster at South Whitley, in the county of Whitley and State of Indiana.

William W. Lingle, to be postmaster at Paoli, in the county of Orange and State of Indiana.

Henry M. Peebles, to be postmaster at Shawneetown, in the county of Gallatin and State of Illinois.

William D. Smith, to be postmaster at Collinsville, in the county of Madison and State of Illinois.

John E. Thomas, to be postmaster at Belleville, in the county of St. Clair and State of Illinois.

Harry M. Martin, to be postmaster at Shelbyville, in the county of Shelby and State of Illinois.

Karl Miller, to be postmaster at Winchester, in the county of Scott and State of Illinois.

Joseph M. Myers, to be postmaster at Forreston, in the county of Ogle and State of Illinois.

John A. Harvey, to be postmaster at Rushville, in the county of Schuyler and State of Illinois.

James A. Lauder, to be postmaster at Cartersville, in the county of Williamson and State of Illinois.

John C. Loudon, to be postmaster at Lebanon, in the county of St. Clair and State of Illinois.

Albert S. Corl, to be postmaster at Nunda, in the county of McHenry and State of Illinois.

James E. Ellwood, to be postmaster at Sycamore, in the county of Dekalb and State of Illinois.

James M. Joy, to be postmaster at Waverly, in the county of Morgan and State of Illinois.

Frederick J. Etter, to be postmaster at South Omaha, in the county of Douglas and State of Nebraska.

Robert H. Barton, to be postmaster at Moscow, in the county of Latah and State of Idaho.

Nathan L. Colby, to be postmaster at Pecatonica, in the county of Winnebago and State of Illinois.

James E. Wheelock, to be postmaster at Hartley, in the county of O'Brien and State of Iowa.

C. C. Clevenger, to be postmaster at Osawatimie, in the county of Miami and State of Kansas.

A. Clay Whiteman, to be postmaster at La Crosse, in the county of Rush and State of Kansas.

B. H. Tamplin, to be postmaster at Hull, in the county of Sioux and State of Iowa.

Gerrit Vanden Burg, to be postmaster at Alton, in the county of Sioux and State of Iowa.

Adelbert J. Weeks, to be postmaster at Correctionville, in the county of Woodbury and State of Iowa.

Cornelius L. Robberts, to be postmaster at Grinnell, in the county of Poweshiek and State of Iowa.

Lewis Schooler, to be postmaster at Des Moines, in the county of Polk and State of Iowa.

David H. Scott, to be postmaster at Griswold, in the county of Cass and State of Iowa.

John Kullmer, Jr., to be postmaster at Dysart, in the county of Tama and State of Iowa.

Henry D. Overholt, to be postmaster at Iowa City, in the county of Johnson and State of Iowa.

C. B. Roberts, to be postmaster at Adel, in the county of Dallas and State of Iowa.

George E. Comstock, to be postmaster at Fayette, in the county of Fayette and State of Iowa.

George A. Danforth, to be postmaster at Hamburg, in the county of Fremont and State of Iowa.

John J. Hetherington, to be postmaster at Greenfield, in the county of Adair and State of Iowa.

Charles Ashton, to be postmaster at Guthrie Center, in the county of Guthrie and State of Iowa.

Niles L. Brownell, to be postmaster at Pomeroy, in the county of Calhoun and State of Iowa.

Anna Burns, to be postmaster at Ida Grove, in the county of Ida and State of Iowa.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, December 21, 1898.

The House met at 12 o'clock m. Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. HENRY N. COUDEN.

The Journal of yesterday's proceedings was read and approved.

RIGHT OF OFFICERS OF UNITED STATES ARMY TO SEATS IN THE HOUSE.

Mr. HENDERSON. Mr. Speaker, I send up the following privileged report.

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be, and it is hereby, instructed to ascertain and report to the House:

First. Whether any member of the House has accepted any office under the United States; and

Second. Whether the acceptance of such office under the United States has vacated the seat of the member accepting the same.

The report was read, as follows:

The Committee on Rules having had under consideration resolution No. 354, report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

Mr. HENDERSON. I ask for the adoption of the resolution.

The resolution was agreed to.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

Mr. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the following resolution:

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the Public Printer be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to print and deliver to the Department of the Interior, for its use, 4,000 additional copies of the Annual Report of the Secretary of the Interior, 1897-98.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the resolution? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none.

Mr. RICHARDSON. I only want to say a letter of the Secretary of the Interior accompanies the resolution, and I ask to have it printed in the RECORD to show the necessity for this action.

The SPEAKER. If there be no objection, the letter will be printed.

There was no objection.

The letter referred to is as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, December 15, 1898.

DEAR SIR: It is found that the 5,000 copies of the Report of the Secretary of the Interior, 1897-98, which under existing laws can be printed upon requisition from this Department, is quite inadequate to meet the requirements for this report on the part of Congress, officers of the Government, the press, and individuals who are specially interested in some one or more of the subjects discussed therein.

I have therefore the honor to request that provision be made by Congress for the printing of 4,000 additional copies for the use of this Department, to enable it to meet requests for the same that still continue to be made and which can not otherwise be complied with. A concurrent resolution providing therefor is inclosed herewith which, if it meet your approval, you will oblige the Department by introducing in the House, that it may be referred to the Committee on Printing.

Very respectfully,

THOS. RYAN, Acting Secretary.

The CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRINTING,
House of Representatives.

The question was taken; and the resolution was agreed to.

Mr. RICHARDSON. I ask now that the House resolution on the same subject lie on the table.

There was no objection, and it was so ordered.

PUBLICATIONS OF THE OFFICE OF NAVAL INTELLIGENCE.

Mr. RICHARDSON. I also ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of Senate joint resolution 197, authorizing the printing of extra copies of the publications of the Office of Naval Intelligence, Navy Department.

The Clerk read as follows:

Joint resolution (S. R. 197) authorizing the printing of extra copies of the publications of the Office of Naval Intelligence, Navy Department.

Resolved, etc., That the Secretary of the Navy be, and is hereby, authorized to print, in excess of the 1,000 copies authorized by the act of January 12, 1885, such extra copies of the publications of the Office of Naval Intelligence as may be necessary for distribution to the naval service and to meet other official demands: *Provided*, That in no case shall the edition of any one publication exceed 3,000 copies.

Mr. RICHARDSON. There is an amendment.

The Clerk read as follows:

After the word "Intelligence," in line 7, insert "for the calendar year 1899."

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the resolution? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none. The question is on agreeing to the amendment.

The amendment was agreed to.

The joint resolution as amended was ordered to a third reading; and it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDSON, a motion to reconsider the several votes by which the resolutions were agreed to was laid on the table.

IMMEDIATE TRANSPORTATION OF DUTIABLE GOODS WITHOUT APPRAISEMENT.

Mr. DALZELL. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the bill I send to the desk.

The Clerk read as follows:

A bill (H. R. 10459) to amend section 5 of the act approved June 10, 1880, governing the immediate transportation of dutiable goods without appraisement.

Be it enacted, etc., That section 5 of the act approved June 10, 1880, governing the immediate transportation of dutiable goods without appraisement, be, and the same is hereby, so amended as to allow common carriers bonded under the provisions of said act, in instances where a sufficient quantity of such merchandise is not offered at the port of first arrival to fill an entire car, or compartment thereof, to forward such merchandise in cars not secured by the prescribed customs fastenings if the packages are corded and sealed, under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury; in all other respects the provisions of the act referred to to remain in full force.

Mr. DALZELL. Mr. Speaker, this bill is reported unanimously by the Committee on Ways and Means, and has the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading; and being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. DALZELL, a motion to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed was laid on the table.

JOHN VEELEY.

Mr. ZENOR. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up the bill (S. 693) for the relief of John Veeley, and ask unanimous consent for its present consideration.

The Clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 693) for the relief of John Veeley.

Be it enacted, etc., That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay to John Veeley, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the value of five certain Treasury notes found by said Veeley and forwarded to and now in the hands of the Treasurer of the United States, to wit: United States note, March 10, 1862, No. 85953, check letter A; United States note, March 10, 1862, No. 99331, check letter C, both of the foregoing bearing no interest; compound-interest note, August 15, 1864, No. 27128, check letter A; compound-interest note, August 15, 1864, No. 27229, check letter C, both of the last named bearing interest at the rate of 7.3 per cent per annum and redeemable three years after date; one-year 5 per cent note, act of March 3, 1863, No. 23310, check letter D, bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum and redeemable one year from date, according to the description of said notes set forth in the letter of the assistant treasurer dated March 23, 1896, each of said five notes being of the denomination of \$100: *Provided*, That in ascertaining the value of the notes there shall be added to the principal of those bearing interest all unpaid interest thereon, according to their terms, to the date when said notes became

redeemable, and such amount shall be paid and received in full satisfaction of the claim of the said John Veoley.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the resolution? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none.

Mr. DINGLEY. I desire to make the inquiry of the gentleman if any of these notes, and they are Treasury notes, as I understand, bearing interest, redeemable at a certain period, were not called at a particular date and the interest terminated?

Mr. ZENOR. The bill provides that the interest shall only be paid up to the time of redemption.

Mr. DINGLEY. Is there a provision for an indemnity bond?

Mr. ZENOR. No, sir; there is no provision of that kind. The notes are in the hands of the Treasurer now.

Mr. DINGLEY. You say that these notes are in the hands of the Treasurer now?

Mr. ZENOR. They are in the hands of the Treasurer.

Mr. DINGLEY. That is sufficient.

Mr. ZENOR. They are all in the hands of the Treasurer.

Mr. DOCKERY. Has this matter been approved by the Secretary of the Treasury.

Mr. ZENOR. It has frequently been before the Treasury Department, and it has been held under the decision of the Solicitor of the Treasury that the Department had no right to redeem the notes, and it was suggested that the matter be referred to Congress. The bill has passed the Senate.

The bill was ordered to a third reading; and it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. ZENOR, a motion to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed was laid on the table.

ALBERT E. REDSTONE.

Mr. BARLOW. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the bill that I send to the desk.

The Clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 708) for the relief of Albert E. Redstone.

Be it enacted, etc., That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to pay out of any money in the United States Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$1,800 to Albert E. Redstone, of Tulare County, Cal., for loss sustained by the incorporation of his presumption claim within the limits of the Sierra Forest Reserve, Tulare County, Cal.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

Mr. DOCKERY. I think we should have the report read.

Mr. DINGLEY. Let us have an explanation of this bill. Let the report be read.

The SPEAKER. It is subject to exception.

The Clerk read as follows:

The Committee on Claims, having had under consideration the bill (S. 708) for the relief of Albert E. Redstone, report the same back without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass.

The facts are fully set forth in Senate Report No. 1389 upon a similar bill introduced this Congress, being S. 635, which report is adopted as the report of this committee, and is as follows:

"The Committee on Public Lands have had the bill (S. 635) for the relief of Albert E. Redstone under consideration, and report the same back without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass.

"The bill appropriates \$2,800 to pay Albert E. Redstone for damage resulting from the passage of the act of Congress of 1890 establishing the Sierra Forest Reserve in Tulare County, Cal.

"A similar bill passed both branches of Congress during the second session of the Fifty-third Congress, but was sent back by the President for the reason that an error had been made in the name of the reservation.

"The tract of land in question is located in the Sierra Forest Reserve, while in the former bill the land was said to be situated in the Sequoia Park Reservation, in Tulare County, Cal.

"The committee adopt the former report, with the necessary change in the name of the reservation, and make the same a part hereof.

"A letter from the Commissioner of the General Land Office is also attached and made a part of this report, which letter states that the tract of land in question is situated in the Sierra Forest Reserve."

Mr. DINGLEY. Is the letter of the Land Commissioner included in this report?

Mr. BARLOW. There is a letter at the end of the report—

Mr. DINGLEY. I do not see it.

Mr. BARLOW. I will say to the gentleman from Maine that the bill passed both Houses of the last Congress, but owing to an error in the name of the reservation it was not signed by the President.

Mr. DINGLEY. Is this approved by the Land Commissioner?

Mr. BARLOW. There is no approval of the Commissioner, except the letter from the Assistant Commissioner.

Mr. DINGLEY. What I would like to know is, whether the claim has been submitted to the Commissioner by the committee and a report obtained from him as to the facts in the case? This claim is based somewhat upon the acts of the Land Office in connection with others, and I think the Land Office should be called upon to make a statement of facts in regard to it.

Mr. BARLOW. The bill, as I said, passed the previous Congress. The old gentleman's home was taken from him—

Mr. DINGLEY. What I was going to suggest was this: It seems to me that where a claim is based on the action of Government officials the officials having charge of that particular depart-

ment ought to be called upon to state officially all the facts in the case.

Mr. BARLOW. I think the committee got all those facts.

Mr. DINGLEY. They do not seem to be in the report. I should like to hear from some member of the committee, if he is able to state verbally, what the facts are about it.

Mr. CLARDY. My recollection is, Mr. Speaker, that in the investigation of that claim there were several reports and statements from the Land Office admitting the facts in this case, that the land was taken, and that it is a just claim.

Mr. MCRAE. I did not understand what the gentleman from Maine asked for.

Mr. DINGLEY. I asked if the committee had before it any communication from the Land Commissioner.

Mr. CLARDY. We had an official statement showing that this land belonged to this claimant.

Mr. DINGLEY. If the committee states that they had such facts from the Commissioner, I have no further objection.

Mr. MCRAE. Yes; the committee understood all the facts. The claimant settled on this land, which was afterwards included in the reservation, and resided there two years before the reservation was made.

Mr. CLARDY. The report from the Land Office showed, Mr. Speaker, that he took out the patent and lived there on this land before the reservation was made, and that, as far as the title is concerned, his title was regular and should have been protected.

Mr. DINGLEY. I want to say that it seems to me wise in all cases where claims rest on a certain state of facts known to an official, there ought to be a communication from the officer printed with the report, in order that the House may see that those are the facts. There seems to be no printed communication here from the Land Office. But as I understand from the gentleman from Arkansas [Mr. MCRAE] and the gentleman from Kentucky [Mr. CLARDY] that the committee obtained the facts, I make no objection; but it seems to me it would be well in such cases to have a letter in writing stating those facts printed with the report.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being engrossed, it was read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. BARLOW, a motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was passed was laid on the table.

NEIL M'ENENY.

Mr. HICKS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the bill (H. R. 8623) for the relief of the heirs of Neil McEneny, of Johnstown, Pa.

The Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, instructed to issue to the heirs of Neil McEneny, Johnstown, Pa., a duplicate in lieu of United States 4 per cent coupon bond issued under the acts of July 14, 1870, and January 20, 1871, numbered 1805, for \$500, with interest coupons attached, dated October 1, 1888, and subsequently, said bond and interest coupons having been destroyed by the Johnstown flood, May 31, 1889: *Provided,* That the said heirs shall first file in the Treasury a bond in the penal sum of double the amount of said destroyed bond and interest coupons, with sufficient sureties, to be approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, conditioned to indemnify and save harmless the United States on account of said destroyed bond and coupons.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being engrossed, it was read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. HICKS, a motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was passed was laid on the table.

BRIDGE OVER THE TENNESSEE RIVER AT OR NEAR SHEFFIELD, ALA.

Mr. SHERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the bill (H. R. 5429) to authorize the construction of a bridge over the Tennessee River at or near Sheffield.

The bill was read at length.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, I desire to ask the gentleman from New York who introduced the bill one question—

Mr. SHERMAN. The bill was introduced by General WHEELER of Alabama.

Mr. COX. Where is the bridge to be built?

Mr. SHERMAN. It is to be built over the Tennessee River, at or near Sheffield, in Colbert County, Ala.

Mr. COX. The bridge, then, is near Sheffield, in Colbert County, Ala.?

Mr. SHERMAN. Yes.

Mr. COX. I am not going to object. They can build just as many bridges as they please on the Tennessee River in Alabama; but when they get over into my territory, I do not want any more bridges there.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

There was no objection.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. SHERMAN, a motion to reconsider the last vote was laid on the table.

BENJAMIN F. JONES.

Mr. HENRY of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the bill (H. R. 5715) for the relief of Benjamin F. Jones.

The bill was read, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay to the said Benjamin F. Jones, late postmaster at Beauregard, Miss., or his legal representatives, out of any money in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$97, in consideration of the aforesaid loss and services.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

Mr. DINGLEY. Mr. Speaker, is there a communication from the Post-Office Department in reference to that?

Mr. HENRY of Mississippi. There is the report from the committee, which is quite full.

Mr. DINGLEY. Will the gentleman please state what the Post-Office Department says about it?

Mr. HENRY of Mississippi. I have no statement from the Post-Office Department. I have the report of the committee here, and the presumption is that the committee formed their judgment on the statement of the Post-Office Department. Gentlemen will understand that this town was blown away by a cyclone in 1883. The railroad company refused to stop and deliver mail at Beauregard, but carried it a mile farther to Wesson, and this postmaster expended \$97 in bringing the mail from Wesson back to Beauregard, and he thinks that he ought to have the money refunded to him, and the committee have so reported.

Mr. DINGLEY. My inquiry is as to whether there is in the report a communication from the Post-Office Department showing these facts.

Mr. HENRY of Mississippi. I have nothing direct from the Post-Office Department. The report of the committee is very full, and I judge that they gave the matter proper consideration.

Mr. DINGLEY. It is a very small matter, but the principle involved may be a vital one.

Mr. PAYNE. The preamble recites that the presiding judge and the attorney for the Government recognized the equity of the claim.

Mr. HENRY of Mississippi. Yes.

Mr. DINGLEY. Is there anything in the report showing what was said and done at that time?

Mr. HENRY of Mississippi. Nothing in the report, but my recollection is that they did make that recommendation. If there is any member of the Committee on Claims who is present, I will ask him to state what the facts are about that.

Mr. DINGLEY. Is there any member of the committee who will inform the House whether there was any communication from the Post-Office Department as to the facts in the case? It seems to me it is very unwise to pass any claim bill, when the facts concerning it are within the knowledge of a Department of the Government, without first calling upon the Department for a statement of the facts, in order that the House may be officially informed.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

Mr. HENRY of Mississippi. This report was made by the gentleman from Mississippi, Mr. SULLIVAN, who is not now a member of the House. I do not see any other member of the committee here except the gentleman from Wyoming [Mr. OSBORNE], and he is under the impression that the matter was fully considered. It is only a small matter of \$97. It has been pending for years. This man is 71 years old, and he ought to have his money.

Mr. DINGLEY. Mr. Speaker, this is, to be sure, a very small matter and I do not desire to object to it. I assume that the facts are as stated; but I wish simply to emphasize what I am sure every member of the House will see, that where a claim is presented upon facts that are officially known to any Department of this Government, it is desirable that the committee, before reporting the bill allowing the claim, should obtain an official communication from the Department having charge of that matter, in order that the House may be officially informed that the facts are as stated.

Mr. HENRY of Mississippi. The legal presumption always is that the committee has done its duty.

Mr. DINGLEY. I think the House ought to have some official knowledge of the fact; but I am not going to object in a small matter like this. I simply desire to emphasize the importance of the principle.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

There was no objection.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. HENRY of Mississippi, a motion to reconsider the last vote was laid on the table.

UNITED STATES COURTS, HAMMOND, IND.

Mr. CRUMPACKER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the bill (H. R. 10563) to provide for the holding of terms of the district and circuit courts of the United States at Hammond, Ind.

The bill was read, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That there shall be two terms each of the United States district and circuit courts for the district of Indiana held in the city of Hammond, Ind., in each year from and after the passage of this act; said terms to begin on the second Tuesday in April and October and continue as long as the business may require.

SEC. 2. That the clerk of the district and circuit courts for the district of Indiana, and the marshal and district attorney for said district, shall perform the duties appertaining to their offices, respectively, for said courts, and said clerk and marshal shall appoint deputies, who shall reside and keep their offices at Hammond, Ind. Said deputies shall keep in their offices such records as appertain to their offices, and said deputy clerk shall keep in his office full records of all actions, proceedings, and judgments in said courts.

SEC. 3. That each of said courts shall be held in a building to be provided for that purpose by the county or city authorities without expense to the United States.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

There was no objection.

Mr. CRUMPACKER. I desire to change a word in the sixth line, on the first page of the bill—to strike out the word "second" and insert in lieu thereof the word "third."

The SPEAKER. If there be no objection, the change will be made.

Mr. UNDERWOOD. Is that a committee amendment?

Mr. CRUMPACKER. The committee reported the amendment, but it does not appear on the face of the bill.

Mr. UNDERWOOD. What is the effect of the amendment?

Mr. CRUMPACKER. It changes the date for holding the terms of court from the second Monday in April and the second Monday in October to the third Monday in those months. It is to serve the convenience of those who are interested.

Mr. UNDERWOOD. I understood that the judge and district attorney had agreed upon the dates as fixed in the bill. Does the change that the gentleman proposes meet with the approval of the judge and attorney?

Mr. CRUMPACKER. The change is made in order to comply with their recommendation. They recommend the third Monday instead of the second.

The SPEAKER. If there be no objection, the change will be made.

There was no objection.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

ABEL ADAMS, DECEASED.

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the bill (H. R. 1574) for the relief of the estate of Abel Adams, deceased.

The bill was read, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the legal representative of the estate of Abel Adams, late of the city of Poughkeepsie, State of New York, the sum of \$2,300, in full for the following United States 6 per cent coupon bonds, stock of the loan of 1861, issued under the acts of July 17 and August 5, A. D. 1861, namely: Nos. 10981, 10682, and 10683, of \$100 each; Nos. 74385 and 74387, of \$1,000 each, and in addition thereto the interest maturing on said bonds after January 1, A. D. 1865, to the date when said bonds ceased to bear interest: *Provided,* That the legal representative of the estate of the said Abel Adams shall first give bond, with sureties, to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury, in a sum double the amount of said bonds, conditioned to secure the United States harmless against said bonds and coupons, said bonds having been lost by the said Abel Adams prior to his death, which occurred on the 13th day of June, A. D. 1866.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

Mr. COX. Mr. Speaker, trouble almost always arises about these bonds. We have had trouble in the Committee on Claims quite a number of times over this question. I do not want to antagonize this measure, but I should like to call the attention of the House to the fact that the evidence showing the loss of these bonds is very imperfect in many respects. Of course, if the bonds were lost, the owners ought not to suffer; but the trouble is in definitely ascertaining the fact as to the loss. I should like to ask what the Treasury Department says about this case.

Mr. BENNETT. Here is a report from the Committee on Claims, made by the gentleman from New Jersey [Mr. McEWAN]. The bill contains the usual provisions, and there is a detailed statement in the report. There is a provision for sureties to indemnify the Treasury Department, to prevent any loss occurring to that Department.

Mr. COX. The statute provides for that. There must be a

bond to indemnify the Treasury against loss in case of any wrong payment.

Mr. BENNETT. I yield to the gentleman from New Jersey [Mr. McEwan] to reply to the gentleman from Tennessee.

Mr. COX. I do not object to your bill, but I merely call the attention of the House to the fact that in many cases bonds which are supposed to have been lost ultimately turn out not to have been lost.

Mr. McEWAN. I made the report on this bill, and so I will undertake to answer the gentleman's question. Among the papers filed in this case are the affidavits of the heirs of the estate of Mr. Adams. Further, I would like to say that there is a general law covering cases of this kind up to \$2,000, and the reason why they can not get this amount under the general law is that the amount was \$2,300, \$300 in excess of the general law.

Mr. COX. Will the gentleman allow me to call his attention to one point, and I am done with it. What is the evidence that these bonds were lost?

Mr. McEWAN. I will state in answer to the gentleman that in addition to this evidence here stated in the report there is a copy of a communication from the Treasury, saying that none of the coupons had been paid, and it was thought that they were lost.

Mr. COX. That is getting very near to the truth.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading; and being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. BENNETT, a motion to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed was laid on the table.

DESERTION OF FAMILY BY PENSIONER.

Mr. RAY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up from the Speaker's table the bill (H. R. 1055) with a Senate amendment, and while I approve the Senate amendment as a whole, there is one matter perhaps that ought to be eliminated. Therefore I move that the House nonconcur in the Senate amendment and ask for a conference.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will report the title of the bill and the amendment.

The Clerk read as follows:

A bill (H. R. 1055) to amend section 4766 of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

The Senate amendment is as follows:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

"That section 4766, Title LVII, of the Revised Statutes of the United States be, and the same is hereby, amended by adding thereto the following additional proviso, to wit: *Provided further*, That in case a resident pensioner of the United States shall for a period of six months desert his lawful wife (she being a woman of good moral character), or, if he have no lawful wife, shall desert his legitimate minor child or children under 16 years of age, the Commissioner of Pensions is hereby directed, upon being satisfied by competent evidence of such desertion, to cause one-half of the pension due or to become due said pensioner during the continuance of such desertion to be paid to the wife, or, in case there is no wife, to the legal guardian of the child or children; and that the entrance of the pensioner into any State home for soldiers and sailors as an inmate thereof shall constitute prima facie evidence of desertion, unless the wife or minor child or children shall also be inmates of the same institution or of some home provided for the wives or children of soldiers and sailors: *Provided further*, That if any such pensioner is or shall become an inmate of a National Soldiers' Home three-fourths of the pension drawn in his behalf shall be paid by the treasurer of that institution to such pensioner's wife, or, if there be no wife, to the legal guardian of the minor child or children, on the order of the Commissioner of Pensions."

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from New York moves to nonconcur in the Senate amendment and ask for a conference.

Mr. HANDY. I would like to hear an explanation of that bill. It seems to be a very important bill.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Delaware asks an explanation.

Mr. RAY of New York. Mr. Speaker, the House passed a bill providing that where a soldier deserts his wife or minor children, having no property upon which they can lean for support, during such desertion the Commissioner of Pensions should pay one-half of the pension to the wife and minor child; or, if there be no wife, then to the minor children under 16 years. Now, the Senate has amended the bill by providing, among other things, that if the soldier enters a Soldiers' Home that shall be prima facie evidence of desertion.

Now, that ought not to be the case. It casts a stigma on the soldier. That language ought not to be on the amendment. And then it provides that two-thirds of the pension shall go to the wife or minor children, if any. Now, possibly that is all right; I am not expressing an opinion on that at the present time; but surely there should be eliminated from the amendment any intimation, in legal language, that the entrance of an old soldier to the Soldiers' Home is prima facie evidence of the desertion of wife and children; and for that reason I now ask to nonconcur in order that the House and the Senate may be brought into agreement, and that nothing of that character shall go into the legislation of this Congress.

Mr. VANDIVER. I should like to ask the gentleman a question.

Mr. RAY of New York. Certainly.

Mr. VANDIVER. I wish to know whether the language of the bill does make the provision that you mention—that the entrance into a Soldiers' Home does constitute prima facie evidence of desertion of his family.

Mr. RAY of New York. The House bill does not.

Mr. VANDIVER. That is in the amendment?

Mr. RAY of New York. That is inserted by the Senate, and I desire to eliminate that from the bill.

Mr. VANDIVER. What is the language of the bill on that point?

Mr. RAY of New York. The language is substantially this—as the Senate amendment makes it read—that the entrance of a soldier into a Soldiers' Home shall be prima facie evidence of the desertion of the wife and children by the husband.

Mr. VANDIVER. Let me ask the gentleman whether this Senate amendment increases the amount which is to go to the family in case of desertion?

Mr. RAY of New York. No; not in case of desertion; but it does increase the amount in case the soldier goes into a Soldiers' Home from one-half to two-thirds.

Mr. VANDIVER. That is there provided for; and the increase to his family ought to be allowed, it seems to me.

Mr. RAY of New York. I do not dispute that; I am not contending against that. What I object to in the Senate amendment is this: It says that the entrance of a soldier, a crippled soldier, into a Soldiers' Home shall be prima facie evidence of desertion. Now, we ought not to say a thing of that kind. It ought not to be evidence. In appropriate language we can provide that the wife or minor children shall receive one-half or two-thirds of the pension where the soldier deserts them.

Mr. VANDIVER. That is what you want to do?

Mr. RAY of New York. That is what we want. What I object to is that when the soldier enters a Soldiers' Home it shall be considered desertion.

Mr. BRUCKER. You do not want to change the rule of evidence?

Mr. VANDIVER. I agree with the gentleman from New York on that point. I only want to make it plain that the increase going to the family will not be disturbed.

Mr. RAY of New York. That will not be disturbed. The whole purpose of the bill, as originally passed, was to provide that when any soldier drawing a pension deserts his wife and children, or his wife or children, that he shall not continue to draw that pension for his own benefit, but that the wife and legal children, if any, shall share it.

Mr. HANDY. Does not the gentleman think that if the soldier enters the Soldiers' Home and has the benefit of that support that a share of his pension should go to the wife and the minor children?

Mr. RAY of New York. Certainly; I approve of that, but I do not approve of the language in the amendment which declares that such entry into a Soldiers' Home shall be prima facie evidence of the desertion of his family. It throws a stigma upon the old soldier.

Mr. HANDY. It is prima facie evidence of desertion only for the purposes of this bill.

Mr. RAY of New York. No; it says the entrance of a soldier into a Soldiers' Home is prima facie evidence of the desertion of his family. That ought not to be, because we can provide absolutely that when a soldier enters a Soldiers' Home his wife and minor children shall draw one-half or two-thirds of the pension without using any language that would throw a stigma upon him.

Mr. ROBINSON of Indiana. I would suggest, Mr. Speaker, to the gentleman from Delaware that under the bonds obtaining between the husband and wife this bill would limit two-thirds to go to the wife, whereas the law would give her all of it. I think this is an unjust provision and ought to go out.

Mr. RAY of New York. Well, we can consider that afterwards, but we ought not to have language in here which says that the entry into a Soldiers' Home shall be evidence of desertion of his family.

Mr. ROBINSON of Indiana. Well, I agree to that.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the motion of the gentleman from New York to nonconcur in the Senate amendment and ask for a committee of conference.

The motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER appointed as conferees on the part of the House Mr. RAY of New York, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. DRIGGS.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. PRUDEN, one of his secretaries, announced that the President had approved and signed bills and joint resolution of the following titles:

On December 20, 1898:
H. R. 5746. An act granting a pension to Elizabeth D. Pittman;
H. R. 2869. An act granting a pension to Eliza J. Mead;

H. R. 7257. An act granting a pension to Rachel T. Abbott;
 H. R. 1045. An act granting a pension to Mary A. Caulfield;
 H. R. 7230. An act granting a pension to Mary Paul;
 H. R. 9866. An act granting a pension to Joseph Griffith;
 H. R. 7595. An act granting a pension to Sarah E. Ward;
 H. R. 9832. An act granting a pension to Augusta Troland;
 H. R. 5992. An act granting a pension to Mary A. Freeman;
 H. R. 9141. An act granting a pension to A. A. Pinkston;
 H. R. 4608. An act granting a pension to Maggie Morris;
 H. R. 10080. An act granting a pension to Frances E. Utley Davis;
 H. R. 4741. An act granting a pension to Lucy Nichols;
 H. R. 8180. An act granting a pension to Isabella Cross;
 H. R. 10055. An act granting a pension to James Burnett;
 H. R. 7293. An act granting a pension to Della E. Spaulding;
 H. R. 3239. An act granting a pension to Catharine McCarty;
 H. R. 7010. An act granting a pension to Mary H. Harbour;
 H. R. 990. An act granting an increase of pension to George E. Welles;
 H. R. 9322. An act granting an increase of pension to Mary C. Gardheffner;
 H. R. 10276. An act granting an increase of pension to George Witter;
 H. R. 5920. An act granting an increase of pension to Monson W. Bliss;
 H. R. 4200. An act granting an increase of pension to Ellen Stack;
 H. R. 6645. An act granting an increase of pension to Theodore Cobia;
 H. R. 6076. An act granting an increase of pension to Thomas B. Hammond;
 H. R. 9234. An act increasing the pension of David R. B. Harlan;
 H. R. 6944. An act to pension John F. Gates; and
 H. Res. 311. Joint resolution to pay the officers and employees of the Senate and House of Representatives their respective salaries for the month of December, 1898, on the 21st day of said month.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. WRAY, one of its secretaries, announced that the Senate had passed bills and joint resolution of the following titles; in which the concurrence of the House was requested:

S. 4374. An act granting a pension to Nellie M. Guild;
 S. 5050. An act to authorize A. E. Bates, brigadier-general, United States Volunteers, to accept the decoration of The Legion of Honor from the President of the French Republic; and
 S. R. 202. Joint resolution providing for the printing of the Report on the Financial and Industrial Conditions of the Philippine Islands, by Edward W. Harden, special commissioner of the United States.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed without amendment the bill (H. R. 351) granting a pension to Charles Howard.

SENATE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION REFERRED.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXIV, Senate bills and a joint resolution of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and referred to their appropriate committees, as indicated below:

S. 5050. An act to authorize A. E. Bates, brigadier-general, United States Volunteers, to accept the decoration of The Legion of Honor from the President of the French Republic—to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

S. 4374. An act granting a pension to Nellie M. Guild—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

S. R. 202. Joint resolution providing for the printing of the Report on the Financial and Industrial Conditions of the Philippine Islands, by Edward W. Harden, special commissioner of the United States—to the Committee on Printing.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED.

Mr. HAGER, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that they had examined and found truly enrolled bills of the following titles; when the Speaker signed the same:

H. R. 10989. An act making appropriations to supply urgent deficiencies in the appropriations for the support of the military and naval establishments for the last six months of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899, and for other purposes;

H. R. 5370. An act relating to negotiable instruments within the District of Columbia;

H. R. 11061. An act granting the Saginaw Southern Railroad Company a right of way for railroad purposes through the San Francisco Mountains Forest Reserve;

H. R. 1607. An act to remove the charge of desertion against Jacob N. Hamburger; and

H. R. 5527. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize the Oregon and Washington Bridge Company to construct and maintain a bridge across the Columbia River, between the State of Oregon and the State of Washington, and to establish it as a post road."

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. BREWER was granted leave of absence until after the recess, on account of important business.

CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEES.

By unanimous consent, Mr. ALEXANDER was relieved from serving upon the Committee on Reform in the Civil Service and the Committee on the Census.

The SPEAKER. The Chair will appoint the same gentleman upon the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

And then, on motion of Mr. DINGLEY (at 1 o'clock and 5 minutes p. m.), the House, in accordance with its previous concurrent resolution, adjourned until 12 o'clock meridian on the 4th day of January, 1899.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXIV, the following executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

A letter from the Attorney-General, transmitting the work of the commission charged with the codification of the laws other than criminal of the district of Alaska and with the framing of a code of procedure—to the Committee on Revision of the Laws, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a copy of a communication from the Secretary of War submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriation for salaries in the office of the Commissary-General—to the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a copy of a communication from the Secretary of the Interior submitting an estimate of appropriation for a stenographer for the Superintendent of Indian Schools—to the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a copy of a communication from the Secretary of War submitting an estimate of deficiency for payment of the Hospital Corps of the Army—to the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a copy of a communication from the Secretary of the Interior submitting estimates of appropriations for additional members of the board of pension appeals—to the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Under clause 2 of Rule XIII, Mr. COOPER of Texas, from the Committee on War Claims, to which was referred House bill 11037, reported in lieu thereof a resolution (House Res. No. 359) for the relief of Mary E. Stalcup, widow of Joshua Stalcup, accompanied by a report (No. 1710); which said resolution and report were referred to the Private Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, AND MEMORIALS INTRODUCED.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXII, bills, resolutions, and memorials of the following titles were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. BURKE: A bill (H. R. 11354) authorizing a survey of the Trinity River, in the State of Texas, from its mouth to the city of Dallas, and preparation of estimates of cost of improvements thereon—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

By Mr. EVANS (by request): A bill (H. R. 11355) to amend the war-revenue act, approved June 13, 1898—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. STEVENS of Minnesota: A bill (H. R. 11356) to amend section 27, chapter 2, of the laws of 1871, relating to apportionment and election of Representatives—to the Committee on Election of President, Vice-President, and Representatives in Congress.

By Mr. BROUSSARD: A bill (H. R. 11357) for the establishment of a light-house at Sabine Pass, Louisiana and Texas—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. McDONALD: A bill (H. R. 11358) for a roadway in the District of Columbia from Brightwood avenue across Rock Creek Park—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. SOUTHWICK (by request): A bill (H. R. 11359) in relation to claims arising under the provisions of the captured and abandoned property acts, and for extension of time in which to bring suit—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HEPBURN: A bill (H. R. 11360) for the erection of a public building at Creston, Iowa—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. HAWLEY: A bill (H. R. 11369) to aid in the construction of a mechanical school of industry for colored youths of the State of Texas, as an annex to the Prairie View College, at Prairie View, Tex.—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. ELLIOTT: A joint resolution (H. Res. 321) for the preliminary survey of Wee Tee Lake—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

By Mr. BULL: A concurrent resolution (House Con. Res. No. 59) authorizing a preliminary examination of the harbor of Providence, R. I., with a view of securing increased anchorage grounds—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

By Mr. HILL: A concurrent resolution (House Con. Res. No. 60) providing for estimates for the improvement of Bridgeport Harbor, Connecticut—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

By Mr. ALEXANDER: A concurrent resolution (House Con. Res. No. 61) authorizing a preliminary examination to be made of Tonawanda Harbor, Erie County, N. Y., with advisability and probable cost thereof—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, private bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. BELL: A bill (H. R. 11361) for the relief of Henry G. Meehling—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. BRENNER of Ohio: A bill (H. R. 11362) to remove the charge of desertion from the record of Daniel L. Tate, late Company F, Seventh Maryland Volunteer Infantry—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. COX: A bill (H. R. 11363) to increase pension of John Lynch—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. ELLIOTT: A bill (H. R. 11364) for the relief of R. A. Sisson—to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. GIBSON: A bill (H. R. 11365) for the relief of George W. Swaney—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. HEPBURN: A bill (H. R. 11366) appropriating \$50 to redeem a promise made by the Continental Congress to David Hart, a soldier of the Revolution—to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. MILLER: A bill (H. R. 11367) for the relief of Capt. Sidney F. Shaw—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. SHANNON: A bill (H. R. 11368) granting a pension to Eliza Kenny—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, the following petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

By Mr. ARNOLD: Petition of citizens of Clarion, Pa., in favor of legislation to prohibit the sale of liquor in canteens of the Army and Navy and of Soldiers' Homes, and in immigrant stations and Government buildings—to the Committee on Alcoholic Liquor Traffic.

By Mr. ELLIOTT: Petition of R. P. Hinnant and 19 other citizens of the State of South Carolina, for the improvement of Wee Tee Lake, South Carolina—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

By Mr. GIBSON: Petition of George W. Swaney, of Trigonía, Loudon County, Tenn., for correction of his military record—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. HILBORN: Resolution of the Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco, Cal., in favor of the enactment of a law granting a pension to officers and men of the Revenue-Cutter Service, as in the Navy, after a period of faithful service—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Also, resolution of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, asking the Government to suitably acknowledge and reward Lieut. D. H. Jarvis, his officers and men, of the United States Revenue-Cutter Service, for their heroism in rescuing and providing supplies to the starving and ice-bound whalers at Point Barrow in the midst of an arctic winter—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. MANN: Petition adopted at a mass meeting of the young people of the South Side, Chicago, Ill., in favor of legislation prohibiting the interstate transmission of newspaper descriptions of prize fights, etc.—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Also, petition of young people of the South Side, Chicago, Ill., urging the enactment of House bill No. 7937, to prohibit the sale of liquor in immigrant stations and Government buildings—to the Committee on Alcoholic Liquor Traffic.

By Mr. MILLER: Petition and papers of Capt. Sidney F. Shaw, to accompany House bill for his relief—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. PETERS: Petition of the First Presbyterian Church of Iola, Kans., asking for the passage of the Ellis bill to forbid the sale of intoxicating beverages in all Government buildings, Soldiers' Homes, etc.—to the Committee on Alcoholic Liquor Traffic.

Also, petition of the Southeast Kansas Medical Society, protesting against the passage of the bill restricting vivisection—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, January 4, 1899.

The Chaplain, Rev. W. H. MILBURN, D. D., offered the following prayer:

Our Father in Heaven, we come together under the sense of bereavement caused by the absence of the venerable and beloved senior Senator from Vermont, whose counsel, whose presence shall no more gladden and enrich this Chamber. We bless Thee for his noble life, for his example, so wise, courteous, tender. We pray that the influence of his character may ever abide within these walls, to inspire, restrain, sweeten, and exalt.

And may every one of us take thought of that journey whose mortal end he has reached and which awaits us all—a journey that guides and leads the upright and faithful to the gates of the Eternal City, the presence of Thyself, in all the glory and majesty of Thy character, revealed more and more unto the men who, in faith and reverence and charity, walk the paths of this lower world, enriched by their discipline and strengthened by their toils and efforts for the well-being of others, to hear the final words, Well done, good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.

Grant this, O Father, as the portion of every member of this body and of all who are engaged in its service. We humbly and reverently ask through the name of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

CUSHMAN K. DAVIS, a Senator from the State of Minnesota; WILLIAM P. FRYE, a Senator from the State of Maine; GEORGE GRAY, a Senator from the State of Delaware; JOHN P. JONES, a Senator from the State of Nevada; RICHARD R. KENNEY, a Senator from the State of Delaware; and STEPHEN M. WHITE, a Senator from the State of California, appeared in their seats to-day.

In the absence of the Vice-President, the President pro tempore took the chair.

The Secretary proceeded to read the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, December 21, 1898, when, on motion of Mr. DAVIS, and by unanimous consent, the further reading was dispensed with.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Journal stands approved. The Senate will receive a message from the President of the United States.

A message in writing was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. O. L. PRUDEN, one of his secretaries.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. W. J. BROWNING, its Chief Clerk, announced that the House had disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 1055) to amend section 4763 of the Revised Statutes of the United States; asks a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and had appointed Mr. RAY of New York, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. DRIGGS managers at the conference on the part of the House.

The message also announced that the House had passed the joint resolution (S. R. 197) authorizing the printing of extra copies of the publications of the Office of Naval Intelligence, Navy Department, with an amendment in which it requested the concurrence of the Senate.

The message further announced that the House had passed the concurrent resolution authorizing the Public Printer to print and deliver to the Department of the Interior for its use 4,000 additional copies of the Annual Report of the Secretary of the Interior, 1897-98.

The message also announced that the House had passed the following bills:

A bill (S. 693) for the relief of John Veeley; and

A bill (S. 708) for the relief of Albert E. Redstone.

The message further announced that the House had passed the following bills; in which it requested the concurrence of the Senate:

A bill (H. R. 1574) for the relief of the estate of Abel Adams, deceased;

A bill (H. R. 5428) to authorize the construction of a bridge over the Tennessee River at or near Sheffield;

A bill (H. R. 5715) for the relief of Benjamin F. Jones;

A bill (H. R. 8623) for the relief of the heirs of Neil McEneny, of Johnstown, Pa.;

A bill (H. R. 10459) to amend section 5 of the act approved June 10, 1880, governing the immediate transportation of dutiable goods without appraisement;

A bill (10563) to provide for the holding of terms of the district and circuit courts of the United States at Hammond, Ind.; and

A bill (H. R. 11266) making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1900.