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Proceedings of Congress.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

THURSDAY, July 15.

after discussion, was reported, and taken up in the house.—Various contrariety of opinion prevailed, whe-

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pealed, and a new one substituted; whether the additional duties, as reported by the committee, should be agreed to, &c. &c. but not being able to come to any decision the house adjourned until to-morrow.

FRIDAY, July 16.

A message was received from the president of the United States, notifying that he had approved and figned " An act further to provide for the payment of the invalid pensioners of the United States."

A-message was received from the senate, informing, that the president of the United States had notified to tercourse with the Indian tribes. them his approbation of the act for establishing the permanent and temporary seat of government.

A petition from I. F. Amelung, proprietor of a glass manufactory in Maryland, was presented to the house, and read, praying a grant of land, or other encourage. ment, to enable him to extend his undertaking upon a plan that shall be equal to the supply of the United States. The petition, after being read, was reserred to the secretary of the treasury.

The house proceeded to the farther consideration of the bill making further provision for paying the debts of the United States; several amendments were made, and the bill ordered a third reading on Monday next.

Mr. Williamson presented a bill for the relief of difabled soldiers and seamen, and of certain other persons lately in the service of the United States, which was read the first time and laid on the table.

SATURDAY, July 17.

the petition of the clerks in the office of the paymailergeneral of the army accounts, was agreed to, which was in favour of the petitioners.

the relief of certain disabled soldiers and seamen, late in the service of the United States, was again read, and referred to the committee of the whole house on Monday. The bill to provide more effectually for the collection of the revenue was read the third time, and passed.

Monday, July 19.

The bill making further provision for the public debt. of the United States, was brought in, engrossed, and the blanks filled up.

The time for the commencement of the act was fixed at the first day of January next.

Duty on imported cables, 150 cents tarred cordage, for every 150 do. untarred do. and yarns, 180 do. (112 lb. twine and pack-thread, 400 do.

The blanks being filled up the question was, shall this bill pass? On this, Mr. Sedgwick called for the ayes and noes, which are as follow:

AYES-Mest. Ashe, Baldwin, Bloodworth, Brown, Burke, Cadwalader, Carroll, Clymer, Coles, Contee, Fitzsimons, Floyd, Gilman, Hartley, Heester, Huntington, Jackson, Livermore, Lawrence, Madison, Matthews, Moore, P. Muhlenberg, Page, Parker, Renfallaer, Scott, Seney, Sevier, Sherman, Sylvester, Sinnickson, Steele, Sturges, Sumpter, Tucker, Vining, White, Williamson. Wynkoop.

NOES-Mest. Ames, Benson, Foster, Gale, Gerry, Goodhue, Grout, Leonard, Partridge, Sedgwick, Smith, (M.) Smith, (S. C.) Thatcher, Trumbull, Wadsworth.

Mr. Madison, of the committee of conference on the bill to regulate trade and intercourse with the Indian tribes, from which the senare had proposed to strike ec out the 4th section, and which amendment the house had disagreed to, reported on behalf of the committee, that the house should recede from their disagreement; it was moved that the house should accept this report and recede; the question being put, it passed in the afhrmative.

In committee of the whole on the bill for the relief of disabled soldiers, seamen, and certain other persons late in the service of the United States.

Mr. SENEY in the chair.

The committee went through the discussion of the bill, and agreed to fundry amendments; they then rose and reported the same to the house.

it lie on the table till to-morrow.

In committee of the whole on the bill to enable the officers and soldiers of the Virginia line of the late army on continental establishment, to obtain titles to certain lands on the north-west of the river Ohio, between the Big Miami and Scioto.

The committee reported the bill without amendments; and it was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading to morrow.

* N committee of the whole on the . In committee of the whole on the bill to ascertain new ways and means bill, which, the fees and perquisites to which the consuls and viceconsuls of the United States shall be entitled-some progress was made in the discussion, when the comamendments were proposed and much mittee rose and asked leave to sit again.

A message was received from the senate, informing the house that they have passed an act to amend the act for the establishing, and support of light-houses, beacons and public piers. Adjourned.

TUESDAY, July 20.

Mr. Gilman, of the joint committee, reported, that the three following enrolled bills had been examined, and found correct, viz. An act to provide for holding treaties and to establish peace with certain Indian tribes therein mentioned: -An act to amend the act for the establishing and supporting light-houses, beacons, buoys and public piers—and, An act to regulate trade and in-

The bill to enable the officers and foldiers of the Virginia line of the late army, on continental establishments, to obtain titles to lands in the territory northwest of the Ohio, was brought in, engrossed, read the third time and passed.

A message was received from the president of the United States, informing, that the act imposing duties on tunnage, and the act to provide for the regulation and government of seamen in the merchants service, both of which originated in the house, had received his

In committee of the whole on the bill to establish the sees and perquisites of the consuls and vice-consuls of the United States, in foreign parts.

On motion of Mr. Madison, a proviso was added, authorifing the president of the United States to appoint one or more confuls on the coast of Barbary, at a salary of 2000 dollars per annum.

The committee having finished the discussion of the The report of the committee, to which was referred bill, and agreed to fundry amendments, role and reported the same.

These were taken into consideration by the house, and the bill further amended; it was then ordered that A bill, reported by Mr. Williamson yesterday, for it be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow: Several petitions were read and referred.

WEDNESDAY, July 21.

The engrossed bill respecting consuls, was read the third time and passed.

A petition of John Tucker, clerk of the supreme court of the United States, was read, praying to be repaid certain sums he had advanced to procure seals for the supreme and circuit courts.

Mr. Sedgwick, from the committee of conference on the subject of the bill for settling the accounts between the United States and the individual states, reported certain amendments that it would be proper to make in the said bill; the house took the report into consideration, and agreed to the same with a small al-

A message was received from the senate, that they had passed the funding bill with sundry amendments; the amendments were made the order of the day tomorrow. Adjourned.

THURSDAY, July 22.

A bill for registering ships or vessels, to regulate the coasting trade, vessels employed in the fisheries and for other purposes, was brought in by Mr. Goodhue of the committee appointed to amend the revenue laws, read and ordered to be printed for the use of the members.

Mr. Gerry, of the committee of conference on the disagreement between the two houses respecting the post-office bill-brought in a report, which was read.

A report from the fecretary of the treasury on the unappropriated lands of the United States in the Western Territory, was read: this report contains a system for the future disposal of that property, and was ordered to be printed.

establishing and supporting light houses, beacons, buoys and public piers, all of which originated in the house, had received his affent.

The report of the committee of conference on the post-office bill, was taken into consideration.

the part of the house did not agree to. This amendment was to invest the postmaster-general with the The bill being further amended, it was ordered that moved that the house should adhere to their disagree. power to establish, the cross post-roads .- Mr. Hartley ment; this was seconded by Mr. Bloodworth.

A considerable debate ensued on this motion, which was finally carried in the affirmative, the ayes and noes being as follow:

AYES-Mest. Ashe, Baldwin, Bloodworth, Brown, Burke, Clymer, Coles, Contee, Fitzsimons, Floyd, Gaie, Gerry, Griffin, Hartley, Heester, Huntington, Jackson, Livermore, Madison, Matthews, Muhlenberg, Page, Parker, Scott, Seney, Sevier, Sherman, Sylvetter, Steele, Stone, Sturges, Sumpter, Tucker, Vining,

NOES-Mess. Ames, Benson, Boudinot, Cadwalader, Foster, Gilman, Goodhue, Grout, Lawrence, Leonard, Partridge, Rensallaer, Schureman, Sedgwick, Smith, (M.) Snith, (S.C.) Thatcher, Trumbull, Wadiworth, Wynkoop.

The other amendments were agreed to. The house then took up the amendments of the se-

nate to the funding bill, and made some progress there-

FRIDAY, July 23. The house proceeded in the consideration of the amendments proposed by the senate to the funding

On motion of Mr. Gerry, the interest on indents was raised from three to sour per cent. per annum.

The term of ten years, the period at which one third of the principal was proposed to be funded, was altered to seven years. These, with the rate of redemption, at eight dollars per annum on account of principal and interest, which the senate proposed should be at seven dollars per annum, were all the alterations made by the house this day.

On the proposition for the assumption of the state! debts being read, Mr. Jackson moved that the house should disagree to the amendment.-Mr. Jackson enforced his motion with a lengthy speech, and was replied to by Mr. Smith, (S. C.) and Mr. Sherman.

Mr. Gerry made a few remarks, and then the house adjourned without a decision till to-morrow 11 o'clock.

A bill more effectually to provide for the NATI-ONAL DEFENCE, by establishing a uniform MI-

LITIA throughout the UNITED STATES. (Concluded from our last.)

AND be it further enacted, That every commissioned officer who shall be convicted by a general court martial, of having refused or neglicited to perform, or of having acted contrary to any of the duties of his office, shall be punished according to the nature and degree of his offence, at the discretion of the court, either by fine or removal from his office: Provided, that no fine for the first offence, shall exceed dollars; and for any subsequent offence dollars; which fines shall be levied and collected by warrant, under the hand and seal of the commanding officer of the regiment or battalion, directed to any sergeant of the regiment or battalion to which the offender may belong, in like manner as the fines hereafter mentioned to be recovered of non-commissioned officers and privates, for neglect or refusal of duty, are directed to be levied and collected. That the commanding officer of divifions and brigades may order courts-martial for the trial of offences within his division or brigade, the members of which shall be warned for that duty by the brigade-major, who shall keep a roster for that purpose. That the proceedings and sentence of every court-martial, by which any officer shall be removed from office, shall be in writing, signed by the president thereof; and shall by the president be delivered to the commanding officer of the brigade, to be by him trantmitted to the commander in chief of the state, who shall approve or disapprove of the same in orders: And that all other proceedings and sentences of brigade courts-martial, shall be delivered by the president thereof to the commanding officer of the brigace, who shall approve or disapprove of the same in orders. That all courts martial for the trial of general officers, shall be ordered by the commander in chief of the state, and composed of general and field officers, who shall be warned to that duty by the adjutant-general of the state, from a roster to be by him kept for that purpose. That the proceedings and sentences of such courts shall be transmitted by the presidents thereof to the commander in chief, who shall approve or disapprove of the same A message was received from the president of the in orders: Provided, that no sentence of a court-mar-United States, informing the house, that An act to re- tial on a general officer, shall extend further than a regulate trade and intercourse with the Indian tribes - moval from office. That all general courts-martial An act for holding a treaty or treaties of peace with shall confist of at least nine commissioned officers, who certain Indian tribes and, An act to amend an act for shall appoint their judge advocate, who is hereby authorised and required to administer an oath to each member of the court, which they are hereby enjoined severally to take before they proceed on business, to the following effect: "You do swear that you will well and truly try and determine according to The first amendment of the senate the committee on evidence, the matter depending between the state of

and the prisoner or prisoners now to be tried -That you will not divulge the sentence of the court, until the same shall be approved or disapproved purfuant to law; neither will you upon any account at any time whatfoever, disclose or discover the vote or