

Mr. Butler, presented the petition of sundry citizens of *McDonough* county, praying a change in a certain State road therein named; and,

On his motion,

The reading thereof was dispensed with, and the same

Referred to the committee on Petitions.

Mr. Stuart, presented the memorial of the President and Trustees of the town of Springfield, praying an alteration in the corporate powers of said town;

The reading of which was,

On his motion,

Dispensed with, and the same

Referred to the committee on Petitions.

Mr. McGahey, presented the petition of sundry citizens of Crawford county, praying for a review of a part of the State road from Vincennes to Chicago;

The reading of which was,

On his motion,

Dispensed with, and the same

Referred to a select committee.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. McGahey, Elliott and Nunnally, be that committee.

A Message from the Senate by Mr. White, their Secretary.

“MR. SPEAKER—I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have adopted the following preamble and resolutions, viz:

WHEREAS, It has been satisfactorily represented to the present General Assembly, that on the 21st day of November 1829, Daniel Malone of Perry county, State of Illinois, employed one John Brown, now deceased, as his agent to enter for him at the Land Office at Kaskaskia in said State, the west half of the north east quarter of section numbered thirty-five, in township numbered six south, of range numbered three west of the third principal meridian; and that said Brown entered by mistake the west half of the north east quarter of section numbered thirty-five, in township numbered four south, of range numbered three west of the third principal meridian, and that the land thus entered by mistake is worthless and totally unfit for cultivation;

AND WHEREAS, The said Malone, has applied to the Register of the Land Office aforesaid to have said mistake corrected,

without success, and will suffer considerable loss without relief:

Therefore:—

*Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives requested to use their exertions to procure the passage of a law, authorizing the said Malone to relinquish to the Government the half quarter section of land thus entered by mistake, and to enter the one upon which he has made his improvement and which was intended to have been entered by his said agent as aforesaid.*

*Resolved, That they be further instructed and requested to procure the passage of a general law upon this subject, by which any person may be relieved under like circumstances, by making satisfactory proof by his own affidavit or otherwise, at the proper Land Office; and when such entries have been patented, that in such cases, the error may be corrected, by making the like proof to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under such regulations and instructions as may be deemed necessary to prevent the practice of fraud; in the adoption of which, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.”*

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Dawson, from the committee on Internal Improvements, to which was referred the preamble and resolutions from the Senate, relative to a grant of land to aid in constructing a road from Equality, via Frankfort to St. Louis,

Reported the same back to the House, without amendment.

Said preamble and resolutions were then read and concurred in.

*Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.*

Mr. Harris, from the select committee, to which was referred the bill, entitled

“An act to regulate the mode of granting license to Clock-Pedlars;”

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment; Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. Manly moved to amend the 1st section of said bill, by striking out the word “six” and inserting the word “three;”

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Manly moved further to amend the first section of said