Mr English then moved to lay the said motion on the table, which prevailed. Mr English then moved to refer the bill to

the committee on Finance. Mr HARDIN said he would rather have the bill killed outright then smothered in this manner by being sent to that committee. Mr LEARY said, there was one reason why the committee on Finance was a very appro-

priate one it was this-nothing went to them but it came back taxed! (a laugh) The reference was then agreed to, yeas 44, nays 42.

The bill to locate the county seat of Stark, was then taken up, and passed. Several Senate bills were taken up, read, and ordered to a second reading, when the

House adjourned. SATURDAY, Feb. 13. Petitions were presented by messrs Odam,

Wilson and Peck, which were appropriately Mr KITCHELL, from the judiciary committee, reported back the petition of David

Berry, for a divorce, and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the same; the report and petition were, on motion of Mr Hardin, laid on the table. Same, from same, recommended the rejecpaired by the conduct of Maine.

tion of the bill to mark bags sent to mill, and it was rejected. Mr CAVARLY reported back the bill to authorize the Sheriff of Gallatin to execute a

deed to S. Wood, which had been returned with objections by the Council of Revision. The question being on passing the bill notwithstanding the objections of the Council of Revision, the bill was re-passed, yeas 46. The orders of the day were then taken up.

Bills read a third time and passed. Bill to establish the county of Okaw. Bill in relation to judgments and executions. Bill for the formation of the county of Woodford, (amended by Mr Gridley, so as to leave it to the votes of the citizens of McLean

county.) Bill to authorize the village of Cahokia to lease the common lands of said village. On motion of Mr Cavarly, a committee of conference was appointed on the disagreeing vote in relation to the resolution for electing

five supreme judges. A motion by Mr ENGLISH for a committee of conference, on the House bill for relief of Mrs Hart, rejected by the Senate, was pronounced by the Chair not to be in order.

Sundry Senate bills were taken up, read, Mr TRUMBULL, from the judiciary committee, reported back the bill in relation to the redemption of real estate, and recommen-

ded its rejection, and it was rejected. Same, from same, reported back a bill to amend an act in relation to insolvent debtors, with an amendment, which was agreed to, and the bill ordered to a 3rd reading. Same, from same, reported back a bill in re-

lation to recording conveyances executed out of the State: ordered to a 3rd reading. Same, from same, reported back a bill to enable purchasers of real estate to ascertain if land is incumbered or not: ordered to a 3rd

The Senate bill to prevent the misapplicaon of money on the line of the Illinois and Michigan canal coming up, the question on ordering it to a 2d reading was taken, and the House refused to order it to be read a second time, by yeas 30, nays 52. A considerable number of Senate bills hav-

ing been taken up, read, and appropriately The House adjourned.

2 o'clock, P. M. Mr. LOGAN, from a select committee, intro-

duced a bill to authorize ------to establish a ferry over a certain river.

Mr DENNY moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed, which motion was lost, yeas 39, nays

Mr DENNY then proposed sundry amendments which were adopted, yeas 39, nays 38, and the bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third read-

The Senate bill for the establishment of circuit courts was then taken up, and read a first time, the question being on ordering it to a second On motion of Mr KITCHELL, a call of the House was made: at a subsequent period the Sergeant-at-Arms having returned, the bill was or-

dered to a second reading, and on motion of Mr TRUMBULL was read a second time, and

referred to the judiciary committee.

The bill for regulating elections, was then taken up; the question being on its passage,

Mr HENDERSON offered an amendment tending to provide for voting to be by ballot, and not by open ticket, which amendment was rejected, yeas 28, nays 40.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Mr CARPENTER, from the committee on counties, introduced a bill for the formation of the county of Allen, which was read twice, and on motion of Mr BROWN of Separate for the county of Allen, which was read twice, and on motion of Mr BROWN of Separate for the county of Allen, which was read twice, and on motion of the BROWN of Separate for the county of Allen, which was read twice, and on motion of the country of the coun tion of Mr BROWN, of Sangamon, referred to a

Mr DODGE, on leave, introduced a bill to establish a ferry across Fox river, which was read twice and ordered to a third reading.

Mr McCLERNAND, from a select committee

reported back the bill to lease the State mills on the little Wabash river, recommending the amendments thereto to be rejected, and the bill to be passed.

The question being on concurring with the com-

mittee in its report, and rejecting the amendments, Mr TURNEY addressed the House in support of the amendments, and against the original bill.

Mr T. said that the leasing of this mill according
to the provisions of the bill would altogether destroy the navigation of the river as to all useful purposes to the inhabitants of the county above Mr TURNEY then offered an amendment as a

substitute for the mills, to authorize the Sheriff to knock down the mills, and abate them as a nui-Mr TURNEY proceeded at some length to ad

dress the House in support of the amendment, and decribed the obstruction to the river occasioned by the mill as being most ruinous to the people of the upper country. Several millions of pounds of pork are sent down the river, and being stopped on their passage by these mills, are obliged to be unloaded and carried round the mill-dam. Great losses have accrued to the people of the upper country by this nuisance, and he hoped it would be abated: the mills did not belong to the State, but

Mr McCLERNAND stated, that the mills had been bought by the State for \$40,000; that they are now in operation, and it was desirable to lease them; that the bill provides for the erection o slopes so as not to impede the navigation. He ought this property ought not to be destroyed.

Mr TURNEY then moved to refer the bill and

amendments to the committee on internal im-

Messrs WEBB and McCLERNAND opposed the reference, and the question being taken thereon, it was negatived.

estion on the amendment offered by Mr Turney was then taken, and the amendment was

The question recurring on agreeing with the report of the committee, it was decided in the af

firmative.

Mr GREEN then offered an amendment, requiring bond to be given by the lessee and providing that if no lease be effected, the nuisance be aba-

Mr GREEN proceeded to speak at some length in support of the amendment and in opposition to

Mr WEBB replied, when the question on the amendment was taken, and it was rejected, year 37, nays 41.

Mr DODGE called for the previous question;

which was ordered The question on ordering the bill to a third reading was then carried, yeas 58, nays 28.

The bill to amend the act to incorporate the

across Little Wabash river; which was passed. Cairo City and Canal Company, was taken up, ndry Senate bills were taken up, read, and to annul the sale of the 16th section of the counties of Effingham and Clay, which was

ordered to a second reading.

Mr WILSON, on leave, introduced a bill to reread twice. locate a State road from Palestine to Vandalia; lief of the honest and poor debtor, which was refused a second reading, ayes 40, noes 40. which was read twice. The Senate joint resolution for application to Congress for the Cumberland Road to be made

to pass through the city of Springfield, was then

Mr CAVARLY moved to refer the same to the | Mr TURNEY, from same, reported back |

to a resolution as to the resumption of specie

the school funds; which on motion of Mr DOL-

A communication from his Excellency the Gov-

payment, was read and also referred.

Banks, was then agreed to.

LINS, was laid on the table.

referred to the committee on education.

Canal President and Commissioners.

e; which was agreed to.

Mr FUNK moved to adjourn.

The resolution was then adopted.

On motion, the House adjourned.

The Speaker laid before the House a com-

munication from John Tilson, jr. former

Fund Commissioner, which was, on motion,

Petitions and remonstrances were presen

Dormady, unfavorably from the majority.

vorable to the prayer of the petition.

ported back the bill relating to special be

Mr DRUMMOND, from the same, repor

The bill on motion of Mr PECK, was refer-

Same from same reported back the bill to

Mr LINCOLN, from the Finance commit-

amend the act relating to jails and jailors, re-

commending its rejection and it was rejected

tee, reported back the bill supplemental to the charter of the Springfield and Alton Turnpike

Company, which on his motion was laid on

Mr PECK, from same, reported back the Bu-

The bill was then read a second time.

a change in the circuit courts alluded to.

Mr CUNNINGHAM, from the committee

Mr WOOD, from the saline committee, re-

ported a bill for leasing the muddy Salines in

Mr GREEN, from committee on claims,

asked and was discharged from the petition

Mr FRANCIS, from a select committee, re-

ported back the bill to authorize John Primm

to build a dam across Sangamon, recommen

Mr GREEN, from same, reported back the bill for S. Husselton to build a mill-dam

Mr HANKINS, from same, reported a bill

Same from same, reported a bill for the re-

Mr M'LEAN, from same, reported back the

which was ordered to a third reading.

ding its passage, and it was passed.

ment, and recommended its rejection.

red to a select committee.

and lots from taxation.]

to a third reading.

veas 35, navs 36

of Sam'l Grubb.

MONDAY, Feb. 15.

40, navs 42.

laid on the table.

lost, yeas 30, navs 44.

for a third reading.

iccted.

Also another from the same, with a report from

LY, was referred to the committee on canals.
On motion of Mr DODGE, the Senate resolu

amittee of the whole, along with the Alton re- the Senate bill to amend acts in relation to Mr WEBB moved to lay the resolution on the table, but withdrew it, when on motion of Mr Lincoln, it was there laid.

Same reported a bill for the relief of George The joint resolution for "One Term Presidents," was taken up,

Mr McCLERNAND moved its reference to the it was laid upon the table sine die. M. Hanson, recommending its rejection, and Mr WOODSON, from same, reported a bill committee on elections; which motion prevailed,

The Speaker laid before the House a reply motion of Mr English, was referred to a comfrom the President of the State Bank to the resolution heretofore offered by Mr Baldwin, of St. mittee of three Green men. Mr BLACKMAN, on leave, introduced a Clair, in relation to certain real estate put down among the items of the bank report.

The communication stated generally that this and petit jurors in Gallatin county, which

real estate was formerly the property of poor debt ors, liable to the Bank by action of law. was read twice.

Mr SCOTT in Mr SCOTT introduced a resolution, for a Mr WEBB moved to refer the communication call upon the Governor for information, as to the condition of the public arms, accoutre-Mr HARDIN moved to lay on the table: lost. ments, ordnance, equipments, &c. belonging to the State of Illinois, &c.: which resolution Another communication from the same in reply was adopted unanimously.

revive a certain act, as also a bill for districting communication from the Governor was read, the counties of Champaigu and Iroquois for enclosing a communication from the Gov. of Ala- the election of county commissioners, which bama, to the Executive of Illinois, requesting the were severally read and referred. same to be laid before the Legislature of Illinois. Bills were introduced by Mr Donge: a bill The papers sent related to the Georgia and Maine for the relief of Charles G. Scott, et al.; also, ispute concerning abducted negroes, consisting a bill for building bridges in Boone county;

in resolutions asserting the right of Georgia to claim her slaves, and that said right had been im-Steam Mill and Hydraulic, Manufacturing Which communication was, on motion of Mr. BISSEL, referred to the judiciary committee. Company. Which were severally read and referred. A communication from the State Treasurer wa By Mr DRUMMOND, a bill to establish the read, stating the amount, situation, and nature of

Pishwaukee Ferry Company, which was read and referred. By Mr GREEN, a bill to incorporate the Louisville Manufacturing Company; also, a bill in relation to the Great Western Mail ernor, was then read, transmitting a report of the Illinois Fire Insurance Company; which, on moroute; which were read and referred.

Another from his Excellency enclosing a petition of Mr DODGE, was laid on the table.

Another from his Excellency enclosing a petition from the New York Historical Society; which on motion of Mr TURNEY, was without reading

By Mr Henderson, a bill to vacate By Mr HANKINS, a bill to investigate the By Mr HENDERSON, a bill to vacate the town of Auburn and define the town of Lacon, which was read three times and passed; also, R. M Young; which on motion of Mr CAVARa bill to change the name of Miss Marshall to that of Van Waggoner, and the name of Miss Scott to Trumbull; which were also read and tion for both Houses to meet on Monday, the 15th

first, for the election of five judges, was taken up.
Mr HARDIN moved to amend by adding also By Mr HULL, a bill to authorize the Tazewell commissioners to lease out certain offices. Mr TRUMBULL demanded the previous ques-By Mr KELLY, a bill to make county col lectors elective by the people; also, a bill re-Mr CAVARLY moved to lay the amendmen quiring county treasurers to assess taxable Mr DODGE called for the previous question. property; which bills were severally read and Mr BRADFORD demanded a call of the

By Mr LEARY, a bill in relation to redemp tion of real estate, sold for taxes; also, a bill Mr DODGE moved to dispense with further roceedings under the call. in relation to promissory notes; which were On this motion Mr FROMAN and Mr FUNK read and referred. By Mr LESTER, a bill to repeal the act demanded the yeas and nays, and the call was

relating to the Governor's residence and salary; which was read three times and passed. The Speaker then took the Chair [occupied By Mr M'LEAN, a bill relating to the great pro tem. by Mr Drummond, and the previous question having been called for, it was now put, and the main question was ordered, by yeas 14, nays Western Mail route, in Lawrence county, read and referred. By Mr ORMSBEE, a bill to amend the act 38. whereupon discussion ended.

The question on the amendment of Mr HARcreating the Exeter Manufacturing Company.

DIN was then taken, and it was rejected, yeas By Mr PARSONS a bill to amend the act relating to minors and orphans and guardians; read and referred. By Mr PECK, a bill to amend the divorce

By Mr ROSS, a bill for a road in Fulton also a bill for a sale of lots, read and referred. By Mr TRUMBULL, a bill to amend the apprentice law; all which were severally read MrWHITE, from a select committee, reported

ted by Messrs. Emmerson, Ross and Dunback the militia bill, with amendments; which lap, which were appropriately referred.

Mr KITCHELL, from the Judiciary comwere agreed to, and the bill ordered to a third mittee reported on the bill for relief of Wm.

The House then adjourned. TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

He declared himself to be in a minority fa-Mr OLDS, by leave introduced a bill con-cerning the public revenue. Read twice and Mr HARDIN moved to lay the bill and report on the table, on which motion the yeas referred to the committee on Finance.

and nays were taken, and the motion was A message was then sent to the Senate informing that body, that the House is now The bill was then ordered to be engrossed ready to receive them within the hall of the House, for the purpose of proceeding to the Mr CAVARLY, from the same committee, reelection of five additional justices of the supreme court, agreeably to a joint resolution of recommending its rejection, and it was rethe two Houses.

Immediately thereafter the members of the Same from same reported back the bill defining the mode of issuing process in courts of the House. Senate came in, and took seats within the bar of law, recommending its rejection, and it was And the two Houses then went into conven

tion for the above object. Mr TRUMBULL from the same reported Mr CAVARLY nominated Sidney Breese back the bill regulating evidence in certain Thomas Ford, Samuel H. Treat, Walter cases, recommending its rejection and it was B. Scates and Stephen A. Douglass, as can-

lidates for the offices in question. ted back the bill to authorize mortgagees to the Senate, were appointed tellers. mr English of the House, and mr Stapp of redeem real estate, sold for taxes and assess-The result of the balloting was announce

as follows: For Sidney Breese Thomas Ford -75 Samuel H. Treat 75 Walter B. Scates 74 Stephen A. Douglass Robinson

Peter Lott 22 - Harlan - Stone 14 - Thomas Sidney Breese, Thomas Ford, Samuel H. reau petition to exempt certain religious Treat, Walter B. Scates, and S. A. Douglass,

houses and lots from taxation, with a bill to having received a majority of all the votes The bill exempts all religious buildings thrown, were declared duly elected associate justices of the supreme court. The Senate then withdrew. The election of justices of the supreme Mr PARSONS, from the Education committee, reported back the bill to provide for Mr Peck, the House resolved itself into comcourt having been gone through, on motion of

laying taxes for school purposes in Pike coun-mittee of the whole, Mr Ross, of Fulton, in ty, recommending its passage, which on his the chair, on the three finance bills providing motion, was laid on the table for the present. for the payment of the public debt, and for Mr WOODSON, from committee on public revenue in general.

The first section of for 1841 and 1842, which was read twice, and the sale of bonds for payment of the July in-The first section of the bill providing for

on motion of Mr Cavarly, referred to the terest was taken up and considered: several committee of the whole, and made the order amendments were proposed by Messrs. Kitchell, Henderson and Lincoln, and a lengthy On motion of Mr GILLESPIE, the Penitentiary bill was taken up, the question being bonds should be sold at par value only, or on ordering the bill to a third reading, after whether they should be sold at such value as some remarks, in support of the bill by Messrs they might bear in the money market. Messrs Gillespie, and Kitchell, the bill was ordered Lincoln, McClernand, Peck, and Brown, of Mr Hicks, from the Judiciary committee, reported back the bill for changing the time of holding circuit courts in Jefferson and Marion. Mr Hicks addressed the House in support of the bill, and urged the necessity of faith of the State. Messrs Kitchell and Orms bee contended that if they could not be sold Mr TRUMBULL reminded the gentleman at par, they ought not to be sold at all, and who spoke last that the "circuit courts" of the State had better fail in paying the interwhich he spoke were all repealed and now est on its debt, than to plunge itself into remeexisted no longer. Mr T. then moved to lay diless debts and difficulties. The discussion the bill on the table, which motion prevailed, having continued to a late hour without re-

On motion of Mr HENDERSON, the con on counties, reported a bill for limiting the sideration of the first section of the bill was jurisdiction of justices of the peace to their postponed, and on his motion, the committee own districts: the question being on ordering rose, reported, and obtained leave to sit again. the bill to a second reading, it was rejected, The House then adjourned.

TUESDAY, Feb. 16. Bills,-to facilitate the collection of debts; Jackson county, which was read twice, and on in relation to the the school lands of Chicago; motion of Mr Logan, referred to a select for the protection of deserted wives; to extend the corporate powers of Beardstown; to incorporate the St. Clair Railroad Company; concerning appeal bonds; in relation to he Great Western Mail route; were severally eported from different standing committees and ordered to a third reading or referred

The bill for the relief of Stephen Lowe, was on motion of Mr Ross, from Committee on Accounts, rejected; and the bills for the relief of W. S. Handford; and to establish an election recinct in Mason, were severally passed. Senate bill to give right of preemption to settlers on the public lands, which had been ought over their heads by the State of Illi-

ois, coming up on its third reading, Mr Dougherty opposed its passage in a peech of great length, (to be given hereafter.) Messrs Kitchell and Hardin supported the biil to locate a State road from Shelbyville, bill

lect committee; which was lost.

Mr HARDIN at the suggestion of Mr Ormsbee amended the bill so as to reserve the future which was ordered: the question on the referright of way to the State, which was agreed ence was then agreed to, yeas 49, nays 31.

the committee on Internal Improvement: lost. when the House adjourned. The bill was then ordered to a third reading; for certain roads in Green county, which on yeas 68, nays 14.

printing in pamphlet form of 5000 copies of the Road bill was adopted. up and passed.

ty, and for the sale of School lands; for relief exception.] Executors of Jas. Hughes; to legalize acts of The amendment was adopted and the bil S. m'Clure; for the collection of the tax of 1839 passed. of Rock Island; to amend the act for the encouragement of education; in relation to the sed:-bill for relief of W. S. Crawford; to prepublic square of Catawba; to locate a state vent collectors from speculating on Auditor's road from Columbus to Houston, in Adams; warrants;—to locate a road from Shelbyville Mr BUSEY, on leave, introduced a bill to declaring a road in Fulton a state road; to Mint point, in Coles county; -- to facilitate incorporate the Philomathean Society of collection of judgments by executors and ad-Mount Carmel; to authorize the Commission- ministrators; for the sale of lots therein namers of Jefferson to borrow money; for a road ed;-to provide for settlers on lands purchased from Columbus, in Adams to Brooklyn, in by the State. Schuyler; in relation to the Gallatin Salines; to amend the law relating to judgments and call, executions; to explain and amend the election | The bill to extend the boundaries of Menard law; in relation to a certain road.

> House adjnurned to 2 P. M. 2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

On motion of Mr English, the committee of the whole was discharged from the further to the House, when the Sergeant at-Arms consideration of the three revenue bills, re- having reported under the call, ported heretofore by the Finance Committee.

A call of the House was made. a bill concerning estrays, which was read twice and ordered to a third reading.

Mr MURPHY of Cook, on leave, introduced a bill to authorize the Governor to employ agents in certain cases, which bill was refus

matters and legality of the Cairo Bank incorporation; leave not granted. On motion of Mr M'CLERNAND, the House then went into committee of the whole on

the apportionment of representation, Mr House adjourned. Dougherty, of Union, in the chair. After some time spent therein, on mo tion of Mr Ormsbee, the committee rose, and reported, and asked leave to be discharged

from further consideration of the subject. The question being on concurring with the the previous question, stating as a reason in the former 10th judicial circuit. therefor, that as the session was now drawing to a close, it was desirable to prevent a waste of the time of the House, by the long and useles debates and altercations, which this ment relating to the time for holding court difficult and complicated question would un- in the county of Hancock. doubtedly give rise to, and that the bill having been carefully prepared by the several delegations, its provisions adjusted and agreed was not sufficient to get through the business upon, so as to render further agitation of the on the docket. question unnecessary.

mr Logan on the table. Mr WOODSON said he hoped the House was not to be gaged in this measure.

by yeas 47, navs 39. Mr HARDIN then offered an amendment to the whole bill, which the table by yeas 45, nays 37.

Several topical amendments being successively offered from all quarters of the House, when the amendment was stricken out as sug-Mr Eng Lish moved to refer the bill and a gested by Mr Hardin.

mendments to committee of the whole, which motion was negatived. Mr HARDIN moved to postpone indefinitely only \$1000 salary to the five new judges, the bill and amendments, which motion he which amendment was rejected, yeas 17, nays

subsequently withdrew. Mr TRUMBULL moved an amendment tending to give an additional representative to tion, on the bill: not ordered. St Clair and Madison counties jointly, which Mr DRUMMOND moved to strike out Judge motion Mr T subsequently withdrew, to move Brown from the 6th, and Judge Treat from the 8th circuit, and transpose them.

After a long discussion, in which Messrs
Peck, Trumbull, Dougherty, Ormsbee, Haramendment, which was supported by Messrs din, Cavarly, and Lincoln, participated, Mr Brown, of Vermillion, Drummond and Lin-Dougherty moved to lay the above motion on coln the table, which prevailed, yeas 52, nays 30.4 Mr McClernand, called for the previous the name of Smith for Treat. Not in order. question, which was on motion of Mr Gilles-

pie, laid on the table by ayes 39, noes 37. Mr Murphy, of Cook, then moved to lay Mr Trumbull's amendment on the table, which was lost, aves 39, noes 43.

Mr Bradford moved to refer the bill to a bers from each of said circuits.

Mr KITCHELL supported briefly and extensively the reference. Mr McClernand opposed the motion to refer, on the ground that the bill as now reported had come from the several members of districts, and had by mutual concessions agreed to the bill as it now stood: some it might be were dissatisfied, but if they should succeed in their opposition, no bill ever could pass the House. A majority of the members had already agreed upon this bill after many meetings, and many disputings, and much toil

Messrs. Woodson and Cavarly supported the reference for the purpose of amending and improving the bill.

Mr Parsons moved to lay the motion to refer on the table, which prevailed, ayes 46, Mr McCLERNAND, then again moved the

this motion on the table, which was lost, ayes ture what it ought to do, and what it ought 34, navs 45. The question on ordering the previous

question was then taken, and it was ordered, ayes 42, noes 33, whereupon debate and con-

The question was then taken on the amendment offered by Mr Trumbull. Mr WEBB moved to lay the amendment on the table: not now in order.

The amendment was then rejected, ayes 39, noes 40. The bill was then ordered to a third reading

by ayes 47, noes 36. The House then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY Feb. 17. Petitions were presented by Messrs Denny, Thornton, Charles, Woodson, and Parsons, which were appropriately referred. Bills read a third time and passed.

Bill amending the tavern & grocery lawfor the relief of the late collector of Fulton county-to locate a State road-for an additional election precinct in Edgar county-to locate the office of Du Page county clerk-to locate a State road;-to incorporate the Mississippi Bridge Company;-to make a Turnpike from Springfield to Beardstown, Quincy, and to Warsaw-to amend the act in relation to the corporation of Galena;-to incorporate the Grand Tower Iron Company; -to incorporate Rock Islandtown-to revive a law to enforce the observance of the Sabbath;-for a ferry on the Mississippi, in Pike county; -to incorporate the Phenix Insurance Company;-to elect an additional Commissioner in Henderson

The bill to borrow money to carry on the Central Railroad, debated heretofore, was taken up, on motion of Mr Dougherty. The question pending being the indefinite postponement of the bill,

Mr ROSS moved to lay the bill on the table, which motion prevailed, yeas 58, nays 23. Mr ROSS, on leave, introduced a bill for Philo Nap to enclose alleys in Little's addition to the town of Canton, which was read three times in succession and passed.

The bill to prohibit the Fund Commissioner to make any further sale of State bonds except for certain purposes therein named, was a second reading, mr Drummond caned for the ayes and nays, when the House refused

mittee on Canals, Mr WEBB moved the previous question The bill to establish tri-monthly county Mr DOUGHERTY moved its reference to courts was then taken up, and read a first time.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M. The bill to amend the charter of the city of A resolution offered by Mr Archer for the Springfield, coming up on its passage, Mr LINCOLN offered an amendment, make

ing any citizen competent for election as Mayor The following Senate bills were then taken or officer who has the right to vote. [The bill gives the right of voting to all inhabitants Bill for a school district in Vermilion coun without any property qualification or other

The following bills were taken up and pas

A call of the House was made: pending the

county was taken up, the question being on ordering it to a second reading. Mr FRANCIS moved to lay the bill on the table till the 4th of July.

Mr BENNETT stated the case of the bill On motion of Mr WATERS, the House went into committee of the whole on the appropria-

Pending the call, Mr English introduced tion bill for 1841 and 1842. Mr Dodge of Lasalle in the chair. When the committee having spent some

time in the consideration of the bill. On motion of Mr TRUMBULL, the committee rose and reported. On motion of Mr DODGE, the joint resolu Mr TRUMBULL offered a resolution for tion from the Senate to meet on the 18th at 4 an enquiry by the Bank committee into the PM, for the election of President, Canal Commissioners and State's Attornies, was taken up

Mr TRUMBULL moved to strike out State's for two years for him and all the clerks em-Attornies, which was negatived. ployed in the Auditor's Office, and insert The resolution was then adopted, and the \$4,000 in lieu thereof.

THURSDAY, Feb. 18. Mr TRUMBULL, from the judiciary committee, reported back the bill for establishing nine circuit courts, with amendments.

The question being on striking out that par report of the committee, Mr Logan called for of the bill limiting the time of holding courts Mr Hicks spoke in support of the motion when the amendment was then agreed to. Mr. CHARLES moved to strke out the amend-

Mr Charles urged the necessity of this a mendment, on the ground that one week

Mr Ross replied that as Hancock had hith-Mr HARDIN moved to lay the motion of erto had but one week, it should have no more now: it would be impossible for the judges to get through the circuit if the time was to be extended which the courts had hitherto had.

The motion of Mr Hardin was then carried Mr CHARLES replied, when, Mr HARDIN suggested that the members from the different circuits should agree among themselves out of the House, on the time for On motion of Mr BISSELL, was laid on holding courts; and proposed for this purpose that the amendment be stricken out.

Messrs Ross and CHARLES briefly replied, The question was then taken on the pro posed amendment of the committee to allow

Mr Trumbull moved the previous ques-

Mr PECK moved to amend by substituting

Mr. HENDERSON moved to recommit the bill, with instructions to amend the bill so as to require judges to run the round of the circuits without doing duty twice in succession in the same circuit

Mr. TRUMBULL moved to lay the two committee of members, to consist of two from motions on the table. The question on laying each judicial circuit, to be chosen by the mem- Mr Henderson's motion on the table was then carried, yeas 47 navs 29. The question on laying Mr Drummond's

motion on the table was then put and lost, veas 37, navs 44. A call of the House was then made. Pending the call, Mr Brown, of Vermillion the House, which had been all divided into on leave, introduced a bill to authorize the Governor to order an election for members of Congress, in case of an extra session of Congress, which was read twice and ordered to a

third reading. The Speaker laid before the House a com munication from the Bank, informing the new bill of his own composing: not in order. House, that it had suspended because the Pennsylvania Banks had suspended.

Mr TRUMBULL moved to refer the com munication to the committee on Banks: lost. mr ENGLISH moved to refer the commu nication to the committee on salines: lost.

Mr HARDIN then moved to lay it on the table, which was agreed to.

The Speaker laid before the House a com Mr CAVARLY moved forthwith to lay dated February 2nd, 1841, telling the Legisla munication from the Fund Commissioner not to do; also the consequences of not doing what he recommended; as also, what he had done, and what he expected the Legislature papers, and what he was sorry for; also what great sacrifices he had made and how he kept the office for the mere good of the State, an what a favorable loan he had made by pawning bonds at -- cents on the dollar for ninety days.

On motion of Mr Murphy, of Cook, the communication was laid on the table. The Sergeant-at-Arms, having reported Mr LINCOLN resumed the argument in favor of sending Judge Treat to Jo Davies, and Judge Brown to the Sangamo Circuit.

Mr TRUMBULL replied, and contended that Judge Treat ought to be continued in the circuit in which he had already been so long, and that if, as it was alleged, Judge Brown was too infirm to do circuit duties, the argu ment went against his capacity for the office Mr LINCOLN replied, and was followed by

Mr ORSMBEE moved to re-commit the bil to the judiciary committee, with instructions to define the method of holding courts so that, each judge go round the circuits in rotation. Mr MURPHY, of Cook, moved to lay the mo

Mr White on the other side.

tion on the table.

which was ordered, The question on striking out Judge Brown from the 6th circuit was then taken and decided in the negative, ayes 41, nays 45. The question on striking out the name of Treat for the 8th circuit, was then taken and

Mr TRUMBULL moved the previous question

negatived, ayes 41, nays 46. So the House decided that Judge Brown should take the 6th circuit (Jo Davies and the adjoining counties,) and that Judge Treat should remain on his old circuit. The question on the adoption of the amend ments as amended was then taken and agreed

The bill establishing tri-monthly county ourts for small business, was then taken up. The question being on ordering the bill to a second reading, Mr Drummond called for

to, and the bill was ordered to a third reading

Mr ORMSBEE moved its reference to a se- | Mr PECK moved its reference to the com- | to order the bill to a second reading by ayes | preceded by the Clerk and President, (Mr 25, nays 59.

So the House refused to let the bill go on to a second reading, and it was killed. ding being on the motion to postpone to the 4th of July next.

of engrossed bills.

tion rights, was passed.

twice, thrice, and passed.

Chicago City was passed

ciation; which was ordered to a third reading.

on the appropriation bill, was then taken up.

The amendments (being the sums agreed upon in committee of the whole for the differ-

ent public officers,) were read from the Chair.

Mr TURNEY moved to strike out \$1,600

Mr TRUMBULL moved to amend so as to

Mr KITCHELL followed on the other side,

nd contended that the amendment ought to

be adopted; he went for retrenchment, excep-

ting the salary of the Attorney General, which

to a pittance insufficient for the existence.

briefly in support of the amendment

should be reduced to a mere nothing?

spect so much increased.

agreed to, yeas 40, nays 34.

mendment, and it was adopted

bers and insert five dollars.

yeas 40, nays 44.

minished when his duties were in every re-

Mr PECK in the absence of Mr Lincoln, of-

\$81, for the use of his room, by the supreme

court, at \$3 a day for 27 days. Mr Lincoln

coming in at that moment supported the a-

Mr MUNSELL offered an amendment al-

lowing pay to certain witnesses.

Mr BROWN, of Sangamon, moved to strike

out the compensation for Speaker and mem-

Mr DOUGHERTY moved to lay the a-

amendments were killed in embryo.

agreed to, yeas 50, nays 31.

(it being now a mere blank.)

excited much laughter.]

affirmative, yeas 42, nays 38.

the joint resolution for that effect.

vote just taken, which motion prevailed.

The question on concurring with the amend-

39, navs 44.

reduce the salary of the Auditor from \$4.800

to employ all the year round.

he had voted to increase.

of more than one officer.

two years salary to the Attorney General,

messrs Lincoln and Francis supported the

the motion was lost, ayes 25, noes 35. Mr BROWN, of Sangamon, addressed the House against the measure, whereupon, the bill was refused a third reading by ayes 29,

The election for Treasurer was then pro The House then adjourned. ceeded with; of the votes given 2 o'clock, P. M. Mr English received . Mr CRAIN, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, reported back to the House a budget

Scattering, 13 No one having a majority of the votes given, A call of the House was made: pending the the election was recommenced, when Mr Stadden received . The bill for leasing the Jackson Muddy re-Mr English, . . served saline lands, and to grant pre-emp-

No election being yet made, Mr PECK, on leave, introduced a bill requi-Mr DODGE moved to postpone the further ring the Cook county school commissioner election until Saturday next, at 2 p. m., which to pay certain monies, which on motion of motion was negatived, yeas 47, nays 71. Mr Murphy, of Cook, was referred to a select

Mr CAVARLY introduced a bill for the re-Board; which motion was negatived, yeas 51, lief of Amos Knotte, which was read once, navs 54 The bill in relation to the school fund of

Mr COURTRIGHT then nominated Mr. Kercheval. Mr HACKER nominated Newton Cloud. Mr MURPHY, of Cook, reported a bill for the incorporation of the Nauvoo House Asso-

two Houses for the support they had given The report of the committee of the whole, the lists. Of the votes given him, and begged to withdraw his name from

Mr Kercheval received Mr Cloud, . . . Scattering,

The question being on allowing \$1.600 for received a majority of votes, was declared duly elected Treasurer of the Board. The Senate then withdrew in the order in and insert \$1,000 as two years salary for the

> SATURDAY, Feb. 20. Petitions presented by Mr LITTLE, of D. Allen in relation to the

Mr DODGE spoke against the amendment and explained that the compensation proposand Shelby counties in relation to a State ed in committee of the whole, was already not sufficient for two years for the Auduor and his numerous clerks, whom he was obliged Reports of standing committees: Bill to incorporate the town of Marion, with

an amendment, which was adopted and the bill passed. Bill to provide for the settlement of the accounts of the State House commissioners. Ordered to a third reading.

Mr LOGAN replied, and calculated that town of Galesburg, was reported by the comthose who advocated retrenchment so much, and wished to cut off a few dollars from the mittee on petitions. Read three several times officer's salaries, had made during the session and passed. Bill to incorporate the town of Tremont .several hundred speeches which, in the time Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

ment, which was adopted, and the bill read a man had made, and it would pay the salaries third time and passed. Mr MURPHY, of Cook, moved and subse-Bill to establish a ferry across the Mississip. quently withdrew his motion for the previous pi river, in Whiteside county, was ordered to a third reading.

Mr DRUMMOND opposed the amendment Bill to locate the county seat of Stark, and offered by Mr Trumbull; he said that though for other purposes, with an amendment, which the officers elected were politically opposed to was adopted-and the bill as amended was ordered to a third reading. him, that was no reason in his mind, why they should not have competent salaries: if

Bill for the relief of Aaron Mermitt, was could not expect to have faithful and competent officers. He asked Mr Trumbull if he read a third time and passed. would work for only twelve hundred dollars | House bill for the relocation of the county a year; how then could he require Mr Shields seat of Clay county, was read a third time; and

to receive so small a salary as \$600 for him passed. and his clerks, as he wished by his amendment to propose. It would cost the Auditor at Railroad Company to construct the Southern least 2,400 or more for clerk hire, leaving him | Cross Rail Road, was reported back with suna very poor salary: he would rather go home dry amendments, which were adopted, and without receiving a cent for himself than to the bill as amended was passed—yeas 24, nays

Messrs WEBB and TRUMBULL spoke reported by the judiciary committee. Read twice and referred. Mr M'CLERNAND said, that the duties of Bill to authorize the proprietors of Metropo-

the Auditor had been greatly augmented: lis City, in Johnson county, to alter the plat during the session he has to employ four thereof passed clerks, and two at least all the year round; he could not get a competent clerk under \$800 a year, so that \$2,800 a year would be requir-

at least \$2,400 a year by his legal practice; the present incumbents. Mr MOORE moved to lay the resolution on why then should he wish that a man of such high talents as the present auditor (Mr Shields) the table: agreed to-yeas 27, nays 10. Mr MARKLEY offered a resolution, direct-Mr CAVARLY made some statements

and argued that his salary ought not to be di- that they report by bill. Adopted. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BILLS. By Mr WITT, a bill in relation to evidence

The question on the amendment was then taken, and the amendment was REJECTED, by By Mr LITTLE, a bill to place the State Bank upon the same footing of the Bank of Illi, Mr BROWN, of Sangamon, moved to strike out all the contents of the bill and insert a By Mr DAVIDSON, a bill creating an addi-

Mr WHITE moved the previous question. trict in White county. Read three several Mr ROSS moved to amend by adding a times and passed. clause allowing compensation to certain clerks. Bill for the relief of purchasers of canal lots The main question moved by Mr White was taken up, amended, and the bill ordered to

be re-engrossed. Bill to provide for completing and keeping in operation that part of the Northern Cross Railroad between Springfield and the Illinois fered an amendment, allowing Mr Watson river, was taken up. Several amendments were offered, some of which were adopted and

> Adjourned MONDAY, Feb. 22. Reports from standing committees: Bill to amend an act to incorporate the city

mendment on the table, whereupon it was a third reading. Bill to exempt certain articles from execu-Mr WHITE moved to reconsider the vote tion, was reported back. reducing the salary of the Attorney General.

reconsider on the table, which motion prevailponement. Lost 7 to 29. Mr MONROE moved to strike out \$60 and Mr PHELPS moved an additional section insert \$160, as the amount of property exfor an appropriation of \$36 61 to the Treasurer of Peoria to pay witnesses and empt from execution. Mr HERNDON moved to insert \$300. He

had always been supported by the poor, and others concerned in the contested election for Peoria county between Purple and Phelps. Mr MURPHY, of Cook, in order to put a their interest. stop to the interminable system of amend-

ments, said he would again move the previous question, which was ordered, by yeas 42, Mr WARREN called a division of the quesnays 40, and immediately many hundred tion-and the Senate refused to strike out. Mr MONROE moved an amendment, that The amendment of Mr Phelps was then the provisions of this bill shall not apply to

contracts heretofore made. Lost. The bill was then ordered to a third reading, The amendments of the committee of the whole, were then not concurred in, by yeas yeas 23, nays 8. The rule was then dispensed with, the bill

The amendments not being concurred in, read a third time and passed. they were of course erased and existed no lon-Bill to locate a State road from Decatur to ger, when the question recurring on ordering Alton was reported back, and indefinitely postthe bil! to be engrossed for a third reading, poned, Bill to incorporate the town of Vienna, was

Company, was reported back with several ments of the committee, as amended by the amendments, which were adopted, and the bill Bill to amend the several acts in relation to

> Bill to incorporate the Royal Centre Library Company, was reported back and ordered to a

tion of President, Acting Commissioner, and Bill prescribing an eath to canal commis-Treasurer of the Canal Board, according to sioners and others, was reported back with several amendments, which (after some remarks The Senate having been informed by mes- by Messrs. Stadden and Pearson,) were adop-

sage from the House that it was now waiting ted, and the bill ordered to be engressed for a for them, attended in the Hall of the House, third reading.

ROSS pro tem) in the Chair and took their Mr RICHARDSON then nominated Isaac

The bill to extend the boundaries of Menard N. Morris for President of the Board, when county was then taken up, the question penhaving received 67 votes, was declared duly elected President of the Canal Board.

motion, Mr Bennett opposed the same, when the motion was lost aves 25 nose 35. 51 votes, and Mr. Fry 63; whereupon, Mr. Fry having received the majority of votes,

was declared duly elected Canal Commis-

Mr Beaumont, . . .

Mr Kercheval 33

Mr SNYDER then moved indefinitely to postpone the election of Treasurer of Canal

Mr ENGLISH, in a brief speech thanked the

. 19 Whereupon, Mr Cloud, of Morgan, having

Attorney General; which amendment was agreed to. Yeas 44, Nays 36. which they came, and the House adjourned. IN SENATE.

Mr WARREN, of sundry citizens of Coles

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the

they had taken up, had cost the State several House Bills .- Bill to incorporate the Illinois thousand dollars: Mr L. had kept an account Agricultural Stock Association, with an amendof the number of speeches a certain gentle-

Bill for the formation of the county of Richthey had not proper and decent salaries, we land, was read a third time and passed.

o home having reduced the officer's salaries A bill for prosecuting public defaulters was

Mr WARREN introduced a resolution, requesting the judges of the supreme court to retain all clerks of the circuit courts unless there ed for clerk hire. Mr Trumbull himself made is a want of competency on the part of any of

ing the committee on corporations to inquire shewing by the quantity of the additional into the expediency of making the private lands become taxable that the duties of the property of stockholders in incorporated com-Auditor were very considerably augmented; panies liable for their corporate debts, and

tional justice of the peace and constable dis-

was then not ordered, by yeas 41, nays 43.

The amendment of Mr Ross was then

others rejected, and after a long discussion on said bill, the Senate, without taking any further question,

of Chicago, was reported back and ordered to

Mr TURNEY moved to lay the motion to Mr HERNDON moved its indefinite post-

> took this opportunity to show his regard for Mr LITTLE explained the provisions of the

Mr WOODSON moved to reconsider the reported back and ordered to be engrossed. Bill to incorporate the Phœnix Insurance

House was then re-put, and they were con- read a third time and passed. curred in, by a large majority. [This result] constables, was reported back, read a third The question on ordering the bill to a third time and passed.

The hour of four being arrived for the elec- third reading.

reading was then taken, and decided in the