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Two other amendments were proposed, which were entirely deferred until the next hour of adjournment, when the committee rose and reported progress.

Mr. L. Smith, from the committee of enrolled bills, reported that the committee had waited on the President of the United States, and presented to him, for his approbation, the bill establishing a mint, and regulating the coins of the United States.

Mr. Sedgwick, from the committee appointed, reported a bill in conformity to the resolutions adopted on Monday last respecting the Ohio company. Adjourned.

THURSDAY, MARCH 29.

Mr. Vining from the committee to whom were referred sundry memorials of the Trustees of several seminaries of learning, praying compensation for losses and injuries sustained during the late war, brought in a report which was read and laid on the table.

After reading and referring sundry petitions, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the report of the Secretary of the Treasury, on the public debt—a proposition which was debated yesterday being withdrawn.

Mr. Giles proposed a clause to be added to the first proposition offered by Mr. Fitzsimons, the object of which was to preclude the adjudging of the irredeemable principal in the debt heretofore to be subdivided to the loan of the United States.

The motion, after a lengthy debate, was negatived—25 to 25.

The first and second propositions were then severally put and agreed to.

The third proposition being read, Mr. Key moved that it should be struck out; this was succeeded by a motion to amend it, by inserting *as their liquidated value*, after the words *United States*; this was agreed to. Another motion of amendment was made and negatived; and then a motion for the committee to rise and report progress, being carried, a decision on the proposition as amended, was prevented.

The committee on enrolled bills reported, as duly enrolled, a bill for fulfilling the light hauls on Baldhead, Cape Fear River; and the Speaker signed the same.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, MARCH 30.

Mr. Parker, from the committee to whom was referred the letter from the Secretary of the Treasury accompanying returns of the amount of duties arising on imports and tonnage, for the year, ending the 30th of September last, and a return of exports for the same period, made a report, which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The report of the Select Committee, to whom were referred the memorials of the Trustees of Wilmington Academy, &c., was adopted, so far as respects an indemnification to the said Academy; and a committee was appointed to bring in a bill in conformity thereto.

Pursuant to an order of the day, the house again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the report of the Secretary of the Treasury, on the public debt.

The third of Mr. Fitzsimons's nine resolutions was, with the amendment made yesterday, adopted as follows:

Resolved, That the holders of loan office certificates issued between the fifth day of September, 1777, and the first day of March, 1778, be entitled to receive interest thereon, according to the liquidated value, at the same rate, or other nonsubscribing creditors of the United States, without being obliged to exchange such certificates.

The fourth resolution was also agreed to, as follows:

Resolved, That the terms for receiving on loan part of the debt of the individual states, assumed by the United States, yet unsubscribed, be extended to the first day of next, on the same terms as provided by the act making provision for the public debt.

The fifth resolution was under discussion, when the committee rose reported progress, and had leave to sit again.

A message was received from the Senate, notifying that they had passed the militia Bill, with sundry amendments, in which they required the concurrence of the house.

Adjourned.

MONDAY, APRIL 2.

The report of a select committee on the "Abstract" (received by the Secretary of the Treasury) of the returns of the duties on imports and tonnage, and the amount of the exports from the United States to foreign countries, being taken up—ordered that the abstract be printed—and also, that the Secretary of the Treasury be directed to report to the house, at the close of the present session, the quantity and value of the exports from each state.

A message was delivered by Mr. Secretary Lear, informing the house that the President of the United States had thenceforward issued an act for fulfilling a light hault on Baldhead, at the mouth of Cape Fear River, in the State of North Carolina.

A message was delivered by Mr. Secretary Otis, informing the house, that the President had notified the Senate of his having approved and signed an "act to establish a MINT, and regulate the coins of the United States."

The house, pursuant to the order of the day, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the report of the Secretary of the Treasury, on the public debt.—Mr. Seney in the chair.

The eighth of Mr. Fitzsimons's resolutions was amended, and agreed to, as follows:

Resolved, That the interest on much of the domestic debt as has been or may be purchased for the United States, or shall be paid into the Treasury, and to much of the sum appropriated for the payment of the interest on foreign and domestic debt, as well

be over and above what may be sufficient for the payment of such interest, shall be appropriated "for the payment of the public debt." The said funds to be applied to the purposes aforesaid, by the commissioners hereinbefore mentioned, under the approbation of the President of the United States.

The ninth and last of the resolutions was also agreed to as follows:

Resolved, That *the commissioners* for the purposes aforesaid; and that a precise account of all the debts and cements, and of all purchases by them made, be laid before the legislature within *one month* after its first meeting in every year.

The committee then rose, and the house immediately proceeded to consider the same.

The first resolution being read, as follows:

Resolved, That the term for receiving on loan, that part of the domestic debt of the United States which yet remains unsubscribed, be extended to the same terms as was provided by the act making provision for the public debt of the United States.

Mr. Giles received his motion for amending it, by the addition of the following:

"Except this condition in the act, which renders the debt to be subdivided, subject to redemption by payments not exceeding, in one year, on account of both principal and interest, a proportion of eight dollars upon the hundred, on any certificate which shall be issued according to the terms hereinafter specified—which condition, so far as it relates to any part of the debt which may be hereafter subdivided, shall be abolished."

The question being taken on this amendment, passed in the negative—yeas 27—Nays 30.

The question was then taken on the resolution, and passed in the affirmative.

The two following resolutions were also agreed to, viz:

Resolved, This provision ought to be made for payment of the interest on the unsubscribed part of the domestic debt of the United States, to the first day of *July*, on like terms as was provided by the act aforesaid.

Resolved, That the term for receiving on loan that part of the debt of the individual states, assumed by the United States, yet unsubscribed, be extended to the first day of *July*, next, on the same terms as is provided by the act making provision for the public debt.

The next of the resolutions, providing for a further assumption of the state debts, was under consideration when the house adjourned.

TUESDAY, APRIL 3.

Mr. Livermore, from the committee on the memorial of the Illinois and Wabash land companies, made report, which was read a first time.

Mr. Speaker laid before the house a letter from the Secretary of War, accompanying the petitioners of sundry persons, whose claims are provided for by acts lately passed; which petitioners, with the documents annexed, the secretary returned in obedience to a recent order of the house.

The house considered the consideration of the resolutions, reported by the committee of the whole on the public debt.

The resolution, providing for the further assumption of the state debts, being under consideration, as follows:

Resolved, That a subscription for a further loan in the debt of the individual states, be opened and continued to the first day of *July*, next, not to exceed in the whole *one million* dollars, in proportions following, that is to say—

In the debt of New Hampshire,

Massachusetts,

Rhode Island,

Connecticut,

New York,

New Jersey,

Maryland,

Virginia,

North Carolina,

South Carolina,

Georgia.

Provided, that the interest on such loan shall not be payable before the *first* day of *July*. And provided, that when the sum to be admitted for any state shall not be subdivided by the holders of any of the evidences in which the same is made receivable, the same shall not be entitled to receive interest on the same.

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State of Vermont, two; within the State of Rhode Island, two; within the State of Connecticut, four; within the State of New-Hampshire, five; within the State of Pennsylvania, thirteen; within the State of Delaware, one; within the State of Maryland, eight; within the State of Virginia, sixteen; within the State of Kentucky, two; within the State of North Carolina, ten; within the State of South Carolina, six; and within the State of Georgia, two.

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