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Somervell  
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Milbourne  
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Mr. Wright, of Queen Anne's offered as a substitute for said preamble and resolution, the following:

Whereas, in the distribution of the Legislative subjects between the General and State Governments, certain subjects were surrendered by the States to the Federal Government, over which the General Government hath ample and exclusive jurisdiction, amongst which is the right to legislate concerning the public lands, and whereas our Representatives in Congress coming directly from the people, must be presumed to know the sentiments of their constituents on subjects fit only for their Representatives and Senators to pass on, better than the members of this House, whose duty here is not to express opinions in their legislative character on subjects surrendered to the General Government, and having the fullest confidence in the patriotism, integrity and knowledge of our Representatives and Senators in Congress. Therefore,

*Resolved*, That it is inexpedient for this House to express any opinion relative to the bill now pending in Congress on the subject of the public lands.

On the question being put, will the house adopt the substitute;

It was determined in the negative.

Mr. Wright, of Queen Anne's, then offered as a substitute for said preamble and resolution, the following:

*Resolved*, That if in the disposition which the Congress of the United States, shall determine to make of the public lands, or the funds arising from the sale of the same; they should in their wisdom conclude to distribute the