

of time in which he performed the services for which such compensation was paid.

Which was read.

Mr. Hammond then moved to amend the said order, by adding thereto the following:

And how the expenses of said company for officers' salaries, compare with similar expenses of other rail road companies in the United States;

Which was read.

Mr. Brown then moved to lay the whole subject on the table—Determined in the negative.

The question then recurred on assenting to the amendment submitted by Mr. Hammond,

And on being put,

It was determined in the negative.

The question then recurred on the adoption of the said order.

Mr. Nicols then moved to amend the said order by adding thereto the following:

“And whether in their opinion the services of Mr. McLane have not been worth to said company, all that he has ever received from said company, whether for salary or extra compensation;

Which was read.

On the question being put,

Will the House assent to the said amendment?

It was determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Hammond,

The following amendment to said order was read and assented to:

“And whether the amount of officers' salaries have increased or diminished since the present president of the company came into office, and to what extent, and whether the number of officers have been increased or diminished, and to what extent.”

The question then recurred on the adoption of the said order as amended.

And on being put, was adopted.

Mr. Graves, chairman of the committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill entitled, an act supplementary to the acts passed at December session, 1835, ch. 313, 314, 315, and the supplements thereto.

Mr. Tuck, from the committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill entitled, an act to provide for the registry of free negroes and mulattoes;

Which were severally read the first time, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Kilgour, chairman of the committee on Colored Population, to which was referred the bill entitled, an act to authorise William Poe of Baltimore city, to hold and retain in this State a negro girl Juliet, reported the same without amendment;