CONGRESS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, December 9.

[illegible] the committee appointed on [illegible] to prohibit the mode of [illegible] in cases of contested elections [illegible] House of Representatives [illegible] in addition to the [illegible] which was read twice, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House on [illegible].

[illegible] of Mr. *Latimer*, Resolved that [illegible] of the negative [illegible] as [illegible] spiral in the [illegible] of the salary of the [illegible] the right of suffrage [illegible], be referred to a select Committee.

[illegible] of Mr. *Clark*, Resolved that the committee [illegible] be directed to [illegible] and adjudicating [illegible] in the territory of [illegible] Louisiana, with leave [illegible] report whole or in part.

[illegible] committee on that subject [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] within the [illegible] was read twice and referred [illegible] the whole on Thursday.

[illegible] the petition of Philip [illegible] was referred to the Committee of Claims.

[illegible] of Mr. *Lattimore*, the petitions of Edward Lewis, Young Calhoun, William Coleman, John Baker, and James Colver were referred to the committee on the public lands.

Mr. [illegible] that there be an additional clerk [illegible] Ways and Means, [illegible] Mr. J. Randolph Chairman.

THURSDAY, December 11.

Mr. Holmes, from the Committee of Claims, made report in answer to the petition of [illegible] McKaen, which the House [illegible]; whereupon—

Resolved, That the prayer of the said petitioner ought not to be granted.

Mr. [illegible] and addressed the Speaker [illegible] a speech of [illegible] hour, [illegible] consulted with the proposition [illegible] amendment to the Constitution of the U. S.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, two thirds of both Houses concurring, That the following [illegible] be proposed to the legislatures of the several states, which when ratified by three fourths of the said states, shall be valid to all intents and purposes as a part of the Constitution [illegible]

"Article [illegible] After the first enumeration [illegible] shall be one representative for every thirty thousand persons, until the number of representatives shall amount to two hundred; after which the proportion shall be so regulated by Congress, that there shall be not less than two hundred representatives nor more than one representative for every forty thousand persons, until the number of representatives shall amount to three hundred; after which the proportion shall be so regulated by Congress, that there shall be not less than three hundred representatives nor more than one representative for every fifty thousand persons.

[illegible] Mr. *Randolph*, the petition of Philip [illegible] was referred to the Committee of Claims.

[illegible] of Mr. *Latimer