

Mr. Forrest moved to amend the message by striking out after the word "men" in the 11th line, all the words between it and the word "will" in the 18th line, and which words are as follows: "and especially by the sound and discriminating mind of the man who has been so properly elevated by the suffrages of a free people, to the highest post in the government, and who, long before his attainment of that elevated station, had filled the measure of his country's glory."

And the question was put, Will the senate assent to the amendment? On this question the yeas and nays being asked for were taken and appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Dennis,
Forrest,

Thomas—3

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Marriott, Prest.
Harrison,
Heath,
Herbert,
Kennedy,

Rees,
Sewell,
Smith,
Whiteley—9

Determined in the negative.

So the amendment was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the message was amended by adding at the end of it the following words, viz. "the senate nevertheless is prepared to proceed at any hour this day which your honourable body may appoint, to the election of a senator in the congress of the United States, to fill the vacancy which will take place on the third day of March next."

The message having been read throughout, and amended, the question was put, Will the senate assent to the message as amended? On this question the yeas and nays being asked for were taken, and appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Marriott, Prest.
Dennis,
Forrest,
Harrison,
Heath,
Herbert,

Kennedy,
Rees,
Sewell,
Smith,
Thomas,
Whiteley—12

NEGATIVE.

Determined in the affirmative.

So the message was unanimously assented to, and sent to the house of delegates.