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...of Mr. Verdier, Ordered, that
...relation to the removal of
...government, be placed among
...the day.
...submitted a resolution respect-
...of the Attorney General and
...Solicitors, &c.; agreed to, and or-
...sent to the House for concur-
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On motion of Mr. Glover, the report of
the Joint committee on Accounts, on the
contingent accounts against the upper Division
of the Treasury, was taken up, concurred
in, and ordered to be returned to the
House.
On motion of Mr. English, the bill to es-
tablish the Santee Bridge company, was taken
up, and its further consideration postponed
to the 1st of January next.
The Senate then took up the following
Bills from the House:
A bill to repeal so much of the 4th section
of an Act to organize the Courts of this
State, passed Dec. 21, 1836, as relates to the
election of Commissioners in Equity for the
districts of Chesterfield and Marlborough;
the bill was read a third time, passed, title
changed, and ordered to be returned to the
House.
A bill to provide for the increase and pre-
servation of the Library of the Court of Ap-
peals in Charleston; the bill was read the
third time, passed, title changed, and ordered
to be returned to the House.
A bill to repeal the penalties heretofore
imposed on the practice of physic or surgery,
and the sale of drugs without license; the
bill was read a third time, passed, title
changed, and ordered to be returned to the
House.
A bill to make appropriations for the year
1838; referred to the committee on Finance.
A bill to authorize the sale of the real es-
tate of Alexander Downer, deceased; the
bill was read a third time, passed, title changed,
and ordered to be returned to the House.
A bill to incorporate the Metropolitan Rail
Road Company; the bill was read a third
time, passed, title changed, and ordered to be
returned to the House.
A message was received from the House,
insisting on asking leave of the Senate to
strike on the Preamble and Resolutions of
the Senate, in relation to the controversy be-
tween the States of Georgia and Maine; laid
on the table.
A bill to establish certain roads, bridges,
and ferries; the bill was read a third time,
passed, title changed, and ordered to be re-
turned to the House.
The House returned to the Senate, with
their concurrence, the report of the commit-
tee on the Military on the petition of A. B.
Brooks.
Also, the report of the committee on Public
Buildings on the resolution making an
addition to the Court House at Columbia.
The House sent for concurrence, the report
of the committee on Internal Improvements
on that part of the report of the Superin-
tendent of Public Works, as relates to
Lockhart's Canal; referred to the committee
on Internal Improvements.
Also, the report of the committee on Internal
Improvements, on the petition of John
Annett, praying to be paid for work done on
the Canal at Lockhart's Shoal; referred to
the committee on Internal Improvements.
Also, the report of the committee on the
Governor's Accounts, and the contingent
fund; concurred in.
Mr. Evans from the committee on Pen-
sions, asked and obtained leave to be dis-
charged from the further consideration of the
petition of Judith Cushman, praying to be placed
on the pension roll.
Mr. De Treville submitted the reports of
the committee on Claims, on the accounts of
G. Brown, W. Cunningham, and Benj.
Hart; agreed to, and ordered to the House.
Also, reports of the same committee, on the
reports of the committee of Claims of the
House, on the accounts of Wm. Cunningham,
E. J. Scott, and T. W. Glover; all concurred
in.
The House sent for concurrence, the re-
port of the Military committee, on the
contingent addition to the Arsenal Magazine
at the town of Columbia; referred to the
committee on the Military.
Also, the report of the committee on the
Judiciary on the resolution of equity respect-
ing Rice's Digest; referred to the committee
on the Judiciary.
Also, a Resolution respecting the Attorney
General and Solicitors; laid on the table.
Also, the report of the committee of Ways
and Means, on the report of the Commission-
ers on the matters between the State and Henry
Shultz, agreeably to the resolution of the
Legislature of 1837; referred to the committee
on Finance.
The Senate resumed the general orders of
the day.
Report of the committee on Public Build-
ings, on the resolution to appoint commit-
tees to examine the offices of Secretary of
State and Comptroller General; concurred
in.
Report of the committee on Claims, on the
report of the same committee of the House,
on the petition of A. Toluid, on the account
of A. S. Johnston, A. C. Jones, Joseph A.
Hines, and T. Davis; all concurred in.
Report of the committee on Claims, on the
report of the same committee of the House,
on the account of John Prince; agreed to,
and claim rejected.
Report of the committee on Claims, on the
petition of Richard Johnson, laid on the table.
Report of the same committee on the ac-
count of Wm. Cunningham, for stationary
furnished the Court of Appeals; agreed to,
and ordered to the House.
Report of the committee on Agriculture,
on the memorial of the Beaufort Agricultural
Society; agreed to.
Report of the committee on the Judiciary,
on the report from the House, on the petition
of Jeremiah Gaither; concurred in.
Report of the same committee on the re-
port from the House, on the petition of An-
drew McDowell, and others securities of N. G.
Cleary; and after an amendment by Mr.
Allston, the action of the Senate was sus-
pended to take up other business.
A message was received from the House,
requesting the Senate to appoint a committee
of conference on the resolutions respecting
the controversy between the States of Georgia
and Maine.
The Senate then took up the report of the
committee on Finance, on the bill making
appropriations for the year 1838; and during
the reading of the bill, the Senate agreed to
receive the

Also, the report of the committee on Finance,
on the report of the committee of
Ways and Means of the House, in relation
to the matter between the State and Henry
Shultz; concurred in.
The bill was then laid on the table to a-
wait the concurrence of the House in the
amendments.
On motion of Mr. English, the report of
the committee on Internal Improvements of
the House, on the report of the Superin-
tendent of Public Works, in relation to Vance's
Ferry, was taken up and concurred in.
Senate then took a recess to 6 o'clock.
SIX O'CLOCK, P. M.
The Senate met, and proceeded to busi-
ness.
Report of the committee on the Judiciary,
on the report of the committee of the House
on the communication of the Governor, cov-
ering a letter from Dr. Cooper, respecting the
Statutes at Large, concurred in.
Mr. Higgins submitted the report of the
committee on Internal Improvements, on the
report of the same committee of the House,
on that part of the report of the Superin-
tendent of Public Works, relating to Lockhart's
Canal; concurred in.
Report of the committee on the Library,
on the resolution from the House to change
the hall of the Library; concurred in.
The Senate then took up the Appropria-
tion bill, passed it, changed the title, and or-
dered it to be returned to the House.
Mr. Jones submitted the report of the
committee on the Military, on a resolution
from the House, to authorize the Adjutant
and Inspector General to prescribe uniform
for certain officers; ordered to be placed
among the orders of the day.
The House sent for concurrence, reports
of the committee on Claims, on the claims
of Thomas W. Pitts, John Garlington, S. C.
Toney, G. B. Lamar, and others; all re-
ferred to the committee on Claims.
Mr. English asked and obtained leave to
withdraw certain executions belonging to W. G.
Richardson.
The House sent for concurrence the re-
port of the committee on Vacant Offices;
concurred in.
Also, the report of the committee on Privi-
leges and Elections.
Mr. Higgins submitted a resolution au-
thorizing the President of the Senate, to
draw his check for the account of Benjamin
Hart.
The House sent for concurrence, a report
of a committee on additional accounts; con-
curred in, and ordered to be returned to the
House.
Mr. Rætt submitted the report of the
committee of Conference, on the Georgia and
Maine controversy, recommending that Senate
recede from the refusal to grant leave to
amendment recommended by the House;
agreed to.
The Senate renewed the consideration of
the committee on the Judiciary, on the peti-
tion of A. McDowell, and others, securities
of N. G. Cleary, when
Mr. Duvovant moved to postpone the fur-
ther consideration of the report, to the first
of January next; and the yeas and nays being
required, were as follows:
YEAS—Hon. A. Patterson, President,
Messrs. Beatty, Cannon, Carr, Caughman,
Crawford, Dubose, Duvovant, Evans, Glyver,
Goodwyn, Jones Norris, Peay, Smart,
Stone, and Verdier—17.
NAYS—Messrs. Alston, Dawson, De Tre-
ville, English, Gregg, Heriot, Littlejohn,
Massey, Murdock, Power, Scott, Scott,
Scott, Grimbald, and Wilson—15.
So the report was postponed.
On motion of Mr. Verdier, the resolutions
on the subject of the removal of the Seat
of Government, were taken up; and on a mo-
tion to postpone the further consideration of
them to the first of January next, the yeas
and nays were required, are as follows:
YEAS—Hon. A. Patterson, President,
Messrs. Alston, Beatty, Caughman, Crawford,
Duvovant, Glover, Goodwyn, Gregg, Heriot,
Jones, Littlejohn, Massey, Peay, Grimbald,
and Smart—16.
NAYS—Messrs. Cannon, Carr, Dawson,
De Treville, Dubose, English, Evans, Mur-
dock, Norris, Powe, Quash, Scott, Stone,
Verdier, and Wilson—15.
So the bill was postponed.
On motion of Mr. Smart, the resolutions
on the subject of the purchase of the Union
Ferry Turnpike road, were taken up, agreed
to, and ordered to the House.
On motion of Mr. Peay the report of the
committee on Claims, on the petition of
Joseph Caldwell, and the report of the House
on the same subject, was taken up; the re-
port of the House laid on the table, and the
report of the Senate committee agreed to.
The reports of the Medical committee, on
the petition of Dr. S. D. Swartz, and sundry
others, were laid on the table.
The report of the Military committee, on
the report from the House, authorizing the
Adjutant and Inspector General to prescribe
a uniform for Brigadier Generals of Cavalry,
and other Officers; was concurred in.
The report of the committee on Claims, on
the report of the same committee of the
House, on the account of A. Herbemont,
was concurred in.
The report of the committee on Privileges
and Elections, on the case of the Hon. D. E.
Huger, was laid on the table.
The report of the committee on the Lunatic
Asylum, on the report of the Regents
of that Institution, was laid on the table.
The House sent to the Senate, a resolu-
tion appointing Commissioners of Fish Sluices,
for the Wateree and Catawba rivers;
concurred in.
Also, Resolutions in reference to the pur-
chase of the Union Ferry Turnpike Road;
concurred in.
Also, the report of the committee on Pen-
sions, on the petition of Wm. Bell; laid on
the table.
Also, the report of the committee on In-
ternal Improvements on the petition of sun-
dry citizens of Barwell, respecting Salt-
ketcher River; laid on the table.
Also, the report of the committee of Ways
and Means, on the petition of W. G. Rich-
ardson, late Sheriff of Sumter District; laid
on the table.
Also, the report of the committee on Pen-
sions, on the Petition of Martha Tennant;
laid on the table.
Also, the report of the Charleston De-
legation, on the petition of David Truesdell;
laid on the table.
Also, the report of the committee on In-
ternal Improvements, on the account of the
late Superintendent of Public Works.
A resolution directing the committee on
the Bank of the State, to enquire on what
authority a new banking house was purchased;
laid on the table.
Also, a resolution to authorize the com-
missioners of roads of Newberry District, to

inquire into the expediency of constructing
a new road; concurred in.
Also, a resolution for the distribution of
Rice's Index; referred to the Judiciary com-
mittee.
Also, the report of the committee on In-
ternal Improvements, on that part of the re-
port of the Superintendent of Public Works,
relating to the Columbia Canal; laid on the
table.
Also, the report of the same committee, on
the petition of sundry citizens of Marlbor-
ough, to improve the navigation of Little
Pee Dee; laid on the table.
Also, the report of the same committee, on
that part of the Superintendent's report, re-
commending an increase of the toll on the
State road; laid on the table.
Also, the report of the same committee,
on the accounts of the Superintendent of
Public Works; laid on the table.
Mr. De Treville submitted reports of the
committee on Claims, on the accounts of C.
Gowan, James W. Fitz, and Sam'l. Davis;
concurred in, and returned to the House.
Mr. Smart submitted a resolution appoint-
ing commissioners of public buildings for St.
Peters; agreed to, and ordered to the House.
Mr. Gregg asked and obtained leave for
the discharge of the Judiciary committee
from the further consideration of the resolu-
tion relative to the distribution of Rice's
Index.
Mr. English asked and obtained leave to
withdraw certain executions belonging to
Wm. G. Richardson, late Sheriff of Sumter
District.
Mr. Jones asked and obtained leave to
withdraw the petition of G. B. Lamar, ex-
ecutor of Basil Lamar.
Mr. Rætt presented the report of the com-
mittee on Engrossed Acts; laid on the table.
The House then repaired to the Senate
Chamber, and the following Acts were rat-
ified:
1. An Act to permit Chancellor Harper to
be absent from the State.
2. An Act to amend an Act entitled an
Act to prevent obstructions to the passage
of fish up the several rivers of this State,
passed 19th Dec. 1827.
3. An Act to authorize the President and
Directors of the Louisville, Cincinnati, and
Charleston Rail Road Company, to increase
the rates of transportation on the Charleston
and Hamburg Rail Road in certain cases,
and to grant certain vacant lots in the town
of Columbia.
4. An Act to amend the 10th section of an
Act giving to Masters and Commissioners
in Equity, the power to grant injunctions.
5. An Act to increase the penalties of the
bonds required of the Sheriffs and Ordina-
ries of the District of Marlborough.
6. An Act to provide for the election of
Tax Collectors for each of the Districts of
Anderson and Pickens.
7. An Act directing a census to be taken
of the free white inhabitants of this State.
8. An Act to incorporate the Union In-
surance and Trust Company of South Carolina.
9. An Act to vest the reversionary interest
of the State to the Catawba Indian lands,
in the lessees thereof; and to secure the sus-
tenance and support of the remnant of the
tribe of Catawba Indians.
10. An Act to authorize the South West-
ern Rail Road Bank, to establish branches
and agencies in this State.
11. An Act to authorize the City Council
of Charleston to close and discontinue El-
lery Street.
12. An Act to repeal the penalties hereto-
fore imposed upon the practice of physic, or
surgery, and sale of drugs without license.
13. An Act to incorporate the Charleston,
Georgetown, and All Saints Rail Road Com-
pany.
14. An Act to define the terms on which
the State will aid in the construction of tur-
pike roads.
15. An Act to amend an Act entitled an
Act for rebuilding the City of Charleston.
16. An Act to authorize a subscription in
behalf of the State, to the South Western
Rail Road Bank.
17. An Act to raise supplies for the year
1838.
18. An Act to incorporate the Pendleton
Manufacturing Company.
19. An Act to repeal so much of the 4th
section of an Act to organize the Courts of
this State, passed 21st December, 1836, as
relates to electing Commissioners in Equity
for the Districts of Chesterfield and Marl-
borough.
20. An Act to provide for the increase and
preservation of the Library of the Court of
Appeals, in Charleston.
21. An Act to authorize the sale of the
Real Estate of Alexander Downer, deceased,
and for other purposes.
22. An Act to establish certain Roads,
Bridges, and Ferries.
23. An Act to make appropriations for the
year commencing in October, 1838.
24. An Act to incorporate the Metropolitan
Rail Road Company.
25. An Act to incorporate the Bivingsville
Cotton Manufacturing Company.
26. An Act to amend an Act to lend the
credit of the State, to secure any loans which
may be made by the Louisville, Cincinnati,
and Charleston Rail Road Company.
After the ratification of the Acts, a mes-
sage was sent to the House informing that
body that the Senate had disposed of their
business and were ready to adjourn, and a
message was returned from the House, of a
similar import.
The Senate then adjourned sine die.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
The House met pursuant to adjournment,
and the Clerk called the roll, and read the
Journal of yesterday's proceedings.
On motion of Mr. Griffin, Messrs. Hen-
derson, and Saxon, were appointed to fill
two vacancies in the Engrossing committee.
Mr. Witherspoon obtained leave of ab-
sence, after four o'clock to-day, for Messrs.
O'Bryan, and Fulmore.
The Speaker informed the House that the
bill to incorporate the Santee Bridge Com-
pany, which was yesterday referred to the
Engrossing committee, had been but twice
read in the Senate; whereupon the refer-
ence was reconsidered, and the bill ordered
to the Senate.
Mr. Phillips introduced a resolution, re-
ferring the report of the Treasurer of the
College, to a special committee, with direc-
tions to report thereon, at the next session;
agreed to, and ordered to the Senate.
Mr. John Douglas introduced a resolution
appointing Commissioners of fish sluices for
Wateree and Catawba Rivers; agreed to,
and ordered to the Senate.
Mr. Frost, from the committee on Internal
Improvements, submitted a report on the
petition of the same committee in the Senate,
on the petition of George Walker; agreed to.
The report from the Senate, on the Gov-
ernor's accounts, was laid on the table.
Mr. Powell offered the following resolu-
tion:

Resolved, That the salary of all civil off-
icers of the State shall cease upon their de-
mission, or resignation, and that no money shall
hereafter be appropriated for any salaries
of officers, for any longer period than they have
rendered actual service to the State; ordered
for consideration to-morrow.
The Senate sent a message, appointing a
committee on its part, to examine the Bank
of the State of South Carolina, and its
Branches; concurred in, and the following
committee appointed on the part of the
House: Messrs. Memminger & Schierle,
for the Bank in Charleston—Messrs. Brown,
Boozar, and McDowell, for the Branch in
Columbia, and Messrs. J. S. Richardson,
Murray, and Patterson, for the Branch in
Camden.
Also, asking leave to amend the report of
the joint committee on Accounts; granted.
Mr. Burt made a report from the committee
on Federal Relations, on a Resolution to
give the consent of the State to the purchase
of Potter's Field, near Charleston, by the
General Government; agreed to, and ordered
to the Senate.
Mr. Bellinger, from the special committee
to whom had been referred a Resolution as
to printing the Journals of the Legislature,
and arranging the papers in the Clerk's office,
asked leave for the committee to sit during
the recess, and report at the next session;
granted.
The report of the committee on Vacant
Offices, was taken up, agreed to, and ordered
to the Senate.
On motion of Mr. Martin, Mr. Heyward's
Pay-bill was ordered to be made up to to-day,
he having departed this morning without
leave.
The Senate sent a message, refusing leave
to strike out the Resolutions of the Senate,
on the controversy between Georgia and
Maine, and insert those adopted by the House,
on that subject; a message, insisting on
leave, was returned.
Mr. Eckhard announced that Mr. Ker had
departed this morning, without leave, where-
upon it was ordered that his pay-bill be made
up to to-day.
Mr. Middleton obtained leave of absence
for Mr. Beatty, from and after 6 o'clock to-
day.
The Senate returned, with its concurrence,
a resolution for the appointment of a special
commissioner to Kentucky, respecting the
Rail Road; a report of the committee on
Education, on the reports of Commissioners
of Free Schools for the several Districts and
Parishes; a Resolution authorizing the Soli-
citors to employ Clerks; and a Resolution
as to purchasing 100 copies of Brevard's Re-
ports.
The House considered the report of the
committee on Internal Improvements, on so
much of the Superintendent's report as re-
lates to Santee Swamp, at Vance's Ferry;
and on the question, will the House agree
thereto, the yeas and nays were ordered, and
it passed by the following vote:
YEAS—Messrs. Aiken, Beat y, Belin, Bel-
linger, Brown, Bull, Crockett, David, Daw-
kins, Desaussure, Jas. Douglas, Eckhard,
Elle, Elliott, Elmore, Evans, Ervin, Fair,
Frost, Fulmore, Gage, Henderson, Hibben,
Ingraham, Jacobs, Lenoir, Love, Lyles,
McDowell, Marsh, Martin, Middleton,
Moore, Moody, Murrey, O'Bryan, E. G.
Palmer, Patterson, Phillips, Porcher,
Wm. Reed, J. S. Richardson, Schierle,
Seymour, Sims, A. W. Thomson, Walker,
Whaley, Wilder, Wimbish, Witherspoon
—34.
NAYS—Hon. D. L. Wardlaw, Speaker,
Messrs. Allison, Arthur, Boozar, Boyce,
Brookman, Burt, Caldwell, Calmes, Carroll,
Evins, F. N. Garvin, Gavin, Hoy, Hunt, Iby,
Jamison, McKinney, Magrath, Moffett, Neel,
Poole, Powell, J. P. Reed, Jos. B. Reid,
Rodgers, Saxon, Smith, Tyler, Wardlaw,
Whitefield, Williams, Williamson, Will-
son—34.
The following reports from the Senate
were concurred in and returned:
From the committee on Claims, on the
petition of B. H. Saxon, Secretary of State;
the claim of Matthew Haly; and the ac-
counts of W. W. Purse, and Samuel Weir;
From the committee on Pensions, on the
petition of Thomas S. Thompson, and Wil-
liam J. Bone;
From the committee on Schools, on a
resolution for revising the Free School sys-
tem; and
From the joint committee on accounts
the Lower Division.
A resolution from the Senate, referring the
reports of the Attorney General and Circuit
Solicitors, and the Fee Bill, to the At-
torney General and Solicitors, was concurred in
and returned.
The Senate returned the following Acts,
which were referred to the Engrossing com-
mittee:
An Act to repeal the penalties heretofore
imposed on the practice of physic and sur-
gery, and the sale of drugs without license;
An Act to authorize the sale of the real
estate of Alexander Downer, deceased, and
for other purposes;
An Act to provide for the increase and pre-
servation of the Library of the Court of Ap-
peals, in Charleston;
An Act to repeal so much of the 4th sec-
tion of an Act to organize the Courts of
this State, passed 21st December, 1836, as
provides for electing Commissioners in
Equity, for the Districts of Chesterfield and
Marlborough.
An Act to incorporate the Metropolitan
Rail Road Company;
An Act to establish certain Roads, Bridges,
and Ferries.
The House, by two-thirds of the members
present, agreed to the report of the special
committee, on sundry amendments to its
rules.
A resolution for the appointment of Com-
missioners to report on the expediency of
purchasing the Union Ferry Turnpike road;
was agreed to, and ordered to the Senate for
concurrence.
Mr. Elmore submitted a resolution on the
subject of removing the seat of Government;
agreed to, and ordered to the Senate.
A message was received from the Senate,
insisting on refusing leave to amend the re-
solutions of the Senate, on the controversy be-
tween Georgia and Maine, by striking out
and inserting, as proposed by a former mes-
sage of the House.
The House sent a message of Free Con-
ference, on the subject, and appointed
Messrs. Burt, Colcock, Dawkins, Desaussure,
and Bellinger, on the committee.
The Senate returned a message, concur-
ring in the appointment of a committee of
Free Conference, and naming the committee
on its part.
Mr. Martin, from the committee on Ac-
counts, submitted a report, recommending
the payment of certain accounts against the
Upper Division; considered, agreed to, and
ordered to the Senate.
Resolutions were submitted, and agreed to:
By Mr. John Douglas, for the appoint-

ment of a committee to report to the next
meeting of the Legislature, on the expedi-
ency of obtaining a Geological Survey of the
State. The committee appointed consists of
Messrs. John Douglas, Inmore, Fair, E. G.
Palmer, and J. P. Reed.
Mr. Burt, from the committee of Free Con-
ference, on the controversy between the
States of Georgia and Maine, reported that
it was agreed that the committee on part of
the Senate, would recommend the accept-
ance of the substitute adopted by the House,
and recommended that the House adhere to
its substitute.
A message was received from the Senate,
granting leave to the House, to strike out the
Preamble and Resolutions of the Senate, and
insert the amendment proposed by the House.
The House then concurred in the report
of the Senate, thus amended, and ordered it
to be returned.
The House agreed to the following reports,
and ordered them to the Senate for concur-
ence:
From the committee on Claims, on the
several accounts of James W. Felts, Charles
Gowing, and Samuel Davis, and the petitions
of J. Adams, of G. B. Lamar, Executor of
Basil Lamar, and of John Garlington, and
A. C. Jones.
From the committee on Internal Improve-
ments, on the several accounts of Mr. Walker,
late Superintendent of Public Works, and of
the present Superintendent, and on the parts
of the Superintendent's report, relating to an
increase of toll on two horse wagons, and to
the Columbia Canal, and on the several peti-
tions of citizens of Marlborough, to improve
the navigation of Little Pee Dee, and of
Barwell, for the decision of a doubt as to a
former Act.
From the Judiciary committee, on the pe-
tition of John May.
From the Charleston Delegation, on the
petition of David Truesdell.
From the committee on Pensions, on the
several petitions of Martha Tennant and
Wm. Bell.
From the committee of Ways and Means,
on the petition of Wm. G. Richardson, and
on that part of the Governor's message, No. 1,
relating to the condition of the Banks
within the State.
The Senate returned, with their concur-
rence, the report of the committee on ac-
counts, on the contingent accounts against
the Upper Division.
The House concurred in and returned to
the Senate, the report of the committee on
Claims, on the petition of B. H. Saxon,
Secretary of State.
Resolutions were submitted, agreed to,
and ordered to the Senate for concurrence:
By Mr. Williamson, to authorize the Com-
missioners of Roads, for Newberry, to ex-
amine into the expediency of continuing a
new road.
By Mr. Desaussure, for the distribution of
Rice's Index; and
By Mr. Seymour, directing the committee
on the Bank, to examine on what authority
a new Banking House was purchased.
On motion of Mr. Caldwell, leave was
granted to withdraw all the papers relating
to the proposed new District of Rutledge.
The Senate returned, with its concurrence,
the following reports:
From the committee on Claims, the several
accounts of James W. Felts, Charles
Gowing, Samuel Davis, the Clerk of the
Appeal Court of Columbia, James W. Hines,
Thomas Davis, A. S. Johnston, A. C. Jones,
T. W. Glover, E. J. Scott, and W. Cun-
ningham, and the petitions of Jeremiah
Gaither, and Andrew Toland;
From the Judiciary committee on the Gov-
ernor's Message, covering Dr. Cooper's let-
ter, as to the 4th volume of the Statutes at
Large;
From the Military committee, on the resolu-
tion as to appointing a Commission to re-
port a Digest of Militia and Patrol Law;
From the committee of Ways and Means,
on that part of the Governor's Message No. 1,
relating to the condition of the Banks
within the State, and on the report of the
Commissioners on the matters between the
State and Henry Shultz.
From the committee on Internal Improve-
ments, on those parts of the Superintendent's
report, relating to the Santee Swamp, and
Lockhart's Canal;
From the committee on Vacant Offices;
From the committee on Privileges and
Elections, appointing Managers of Elections,
for the several Districts and Parishes,
&c.
From the committee on Public Buildings,
on the report and petition of the Com-
missioners of Public Buildings, for Fairfield,
and
From the committee on Education, on the
Reports of the several Boards of Commis-
sioners of Free Schools.
The Senate sent a message, asking leave
to amend, verbally, the Report of the Lib-
rary committee; granted.
The Senate returned, with its concurrence,
the following Resolutions:
As to the office of Judge Ordinary in Char-
leston District, in reference to printing Elec-
tion Notices;
Appointing special Commissioners to en-
quire as to purchasing Dr. Cooper's Lib-
rary.
Appointing a committee to examine the
Offices of Secretary of State, and Comptrol-
ler General, &c.
For the appointment of Commissioners, to
report on the purchase of the Union Ferry
Turnpike Road;
Authorizing the Adjutant and Inspector
General to prescribe the Uniform of Briga-
dier General of Cavalry, &c.
For distributing Rice's Index;
Authorizing the commissioners of Roads,
for Newberry, to examine into the expedi-
ency of continuing a new Road;
Appointing Commissioners of Fish Sluices
for Wateree and Catawba Rivers.
The following reports were laid on the
table:
From the committee on Roads, Bridges
and Ferries, on the memorial from Hamburg,
for authority to construct a Bridge or Boat,
to be impelled by steam or horse power; and
on the several petitions of John May, for a
Ferry; of citizens of Lancaster and York, in
relation to a road from Calp's to Harrisburg;
of the Commissioners of Roads, for St. John's,
Colleton; of Abney Whately; of Thomas
Henderson and Wm. Noland, for the discon-
tinuance of a Public Road; and the counter
petition of Jesse Maybin; of citizens of Edge-
field, for an amendment of the Road Law;
of Thomas Henderson, and others, for dis-
continuing a road from Suber's to Maybin's
Bridge; of the President and Professors of
the Evangelical Lutheran Theological Sem-
inary at Lexington C. H.; and of Mary Ash-
ford, for a Ferry.
From the committee on Internal Improve-
ments, on the report of the committee on
Claims of the Senate, on the petition of
David Houser; on a Resolution of enquiry
as to selling or leasing the Canals on Cataw-

ba river; on the petition of Jacob Huffman;
of sundry citizens of Barwell, for the im-
provement of Little Salketcher river; and of
Benjamin Godfrey, for pay for work done on
the State road;
From the committee on Agriculture, on
the several petitions of Wm. B. Willard;
and of citizens of Marion, for aid to the silk
and beet culture; and on the memorials of
the Beaufort Agricultural Society, and the
Monticello Planters' Society;
From the Judiciary committee, on the se-
veral petitions of Ossian Gregory and Susan
Breithaupt; of Wm. J. Wilson; and of
Eliza Brown; and on Chaucer Harper's
letter, asking leave of absence from the State.
From the committee on colored popu-
lation, on the petitions of James Patterson,
and John Witherspoon; and on that of certain
citizens of Abbeville, for an alteration of the
law as to the education of slaves;
From the committee on incorporations, on
the several petitions of the Governor's Guards;
the Trustees of the Mechanicsville Academy
of Sumter; and citizens of York Village;
From the committee on claims, on the
petitions of P. R. Bobo, and B. H. Saxon;
From the committee of Ways and Means
on the petition of the Commissioners of the
Poor for Prince George-Winyaw, and the
account of the same Commissioners, on the
expenditure of the transient poor fund of
Georgetown; and on a resolution of enquiry,
as to the pay of members of the Legis-
lature;
From the committee on privileges and
elections, on the petition of the managers of
election for Pendleton, praying for one day's
elections for District officers;
From the committee on district offices and
officers, as to Reports of the Attorney Gen-
eral and Circuit Solicitors, and documents
relating thereto;
From the Charleston Delegation, on the
Governor's message, No. 7;
From the Military committee, on the es-
timate for the Arsenal and Magazine Guards
of Columbia and Charleston; and on that
part of the Governor's message, No. 1, re-
lating to allowing rations at Brigade encamp-
ments.
Resolutions were laid on the table,
Directing the Superintendent of Public
Works to examine Broad and Catawba riv-
ers, &c.
Appointing committees to examine the
Bank of the State of South Carolina and its
Branches;
Directing annual fairs at the capital, &c.
From the Library committee:
As to carrying concealed deadly weapons;
As to changing the location of the toll
gates on the State road;
As to appointing a committee on dividing
the Public Printing;
As to requiring security from removing
and absconding debtors; and
Appointing Commissioners to ascertain
and report at the next session, as to the pur-
chase of the Union Ferry Turnpike Road.
The Senate returned, with its concurrence,
the report of the special committee, on so
much of the Governor's message, No. 1, as
relates to the resumption of specie payments,
and the restoration of the trade and credit
of the country.
The following Reports were considered
and agreed to:
From the committee on Pensions, on those
from the Senate, on the petitions of Chloe
Kozin, or Chloe Rogers; of Ann Thomas;
of Sarah Bone; on the memorial of citizens
of Marion, praying that certain persons be
placed on the pension roll; and on the peti-
tion of Loftus R. Menneryn;
From the committee on Internal Improve-
ments, on a resolution of enquiry, as to per-
mitting wagons loaded with the produce of
this State, to pass free of toll on the State
road from Columbia to Charleston; on a re-
solation as to farming out three-fifths of the
State road; and on the petition of certain in-
habitants of Barwell, for an appropriation
to improve the navigation of Little Three
Rivers.
From the committee of ways and means,
on the petition of sundry citizens of Bar-
well, for a Branch of the Bank of the State,
at Aiken;
From the Medical committee, on the ac-
counts of Drs. E. J. Mims, and Thomas J.
Flinn;
The House considered and disagreed to a
report of the committee on claims, on the
petition of B. H. Saxon, and a resolution,
directing the Superintendent of public works
to examine Little Salketcher river.
The Senate returned, with its concurrence,
a report of the Military committee, on a re-
solution of enquiry as to erecting an addi-
tional building to the Arsenal and Magazine
Guard, in the town of Columbia.
Mr. Eckhard reported that the following
Acts were ready for ratification:
[See list of Acts ratified in the Journal of
the Senate.]
The Speaker and members of the House
then attended in the Senate Chamber, where
the above mentioned Acts were duly ratified.
After an interchange of verbal messages
respecting adjournment, the House adjourned
sine die.
UNITED STATES SENATE,
DECEMBER 19th, 1838.
Mr. Buchanan said that he had rather a
strange petition to present to the Senate, but
it came from a very respectable and scientific
man; and however strange it may appear, it
was vouched for by several of the most re-
spectable literary gentlemen of the city of
Philadelphia. The petitioner was Mr. James
P. Espy, so deservedly celebrated for his
knowledge of meteorology, who says that
he has discovered the means of making rain
in a tract of country at a period when there
would be no rain without the use of the pro-
cess. Mr. Espy proposed to make the ex-
periment at his own expense, and he pro-
posed that Congress should pass an act en-
gaging to reward him with a certain sum if he
succeeded in making it rain in a tract of
country ten miles square; a still higher sum
if he produced rain in a tract of country one
thousand square miles; a still higher sum
if he produced rain in a tract of five thousand
square miles; and lastly to give him a still
greater compensation if he should cause the
Ohio river to be navigable all summer from
Pittsburg to the Mississippi.
Mr. B. observed that he was perfectly ac-
quainted with Mr. Espy, and knew him to be
a very respectable man. He had no faith
himself that the gentleman possessed the
power he claimed; but it was true that there
were several things in nature that philosophy
had never dreamed of. Mr. B. then moved
to refer the petition to the Committee on
Agriculture.
Mr. Benton observed that the Senator
from Pennsylvania, who introduced the peti-
tion, could not make the motion, which he
would make, that gentleman had felt him-
self bound to treat this petition seriously, and
move for its reference to a committee. He