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enty-five democrats and five republicant present. This number was increased from to time by the arrival of other senators. Aflong pattie in the proceeding, Withers at 11:50 a parliamentary inquiry whether, if the sendourn now the legislative day of Thursday d begin at noon.

c chair responded it would, there then moved to adjourn: carried, alter reassembled at noon and the sension was divided in parager.

ned with prayer.
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sion, the journal state of the reading thereof be dispensed with.

Conkling—I object, and insist on the observance of the rule, which provides that the first business is the reading of the journal.

Davis, of West Virginis—I take it—
Conkling, interrupting—I object to all debate.
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The chair—The reading of the journal cannot be dissensed with, except with unanimous consent.

The letter carriers' deficiency bill was reported back to the senate to day and placed upon the caleadar.

The committee struck out the entire amount (\$71,000) voted by the house for the payment of increased salary of letter carriers for the current fiscal year under the reclass fication authorized by the act of last February; and reduced the amount of \$115,000 provided by the house for the payment of increased salaries and extension of the payment of increased salaries and extension of free delivery service next fiscal year to \$400,000. The committee have added to the bill a deficiency sum of \$100,000 pay judgments herectofore reasoned salaries and extension of the payment of the general land office to adjust and settle state claims for awamp lands. The last two amendments were offered by Senators Rollins and Cockrell respectively to the legislative and extentive appropriation bill, but then failed of adoption.

Davis of West Virginia, from the committee on

After an anaect the report.

Carpenter made a speech on the army bill. He said that the army in time of peace was a police force, and any use of it was use as a police force. The intent of the bill was a plan to prevent any nse whatever on election day, and it forbade the president to respond to a call of a state for aid.

The conference report on the judiciary bill was adopted by a strict party vote—163 to 79.

The trade dollar bill, which was then taken up, as passed with two amendments, namely: that coins which have been chipped or restamped in China shall be excluded from its provisions, and that trade dollars so coined under this actshall not be counted as a part of the coinage of silver authorized by the act of February 28, 1878, providing for the coinage of standard dollars. The bill was passed without a division.

McMahon submitted a conference report upon the judical expenses bill. Section two probibits the making of any contract or incurring of any liability under provision of the revised statutes, authorizing the appointment or payment of general or special deputy marshals for services in connection with elections on election day.

In report brought on discussion with applause on the republican side of the house.

Springer, in reply to Garfield, declared that if the president vetoed his bill he would put himself in the attitude of defying the majority in congress and demanding of that majority to do what was wrong.

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Monroe, one of the conferees on the part of the house, explained the reason of his opposition to the report; and, in answer to Cox, expressed his intention to vote against it. Cox himself intimating that he would do the same, but for different ent reason.

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Garfield made a speech, laying down the republican policy on the question; arguing that the bill was a multification of law; that it placed the president in an attitude where he must either observe his oath and execute the laws and thereby subject himself to impeachment or must viotate his oath and his conscience. No president would allow himself to be put in such an attitude and, "therefore," said he in conclusion, 'farewell all prospects of home. We stay," This declaration was receited with applause.

the repur-licans by aitusion to the president as 
"his fraudulency." He said: If the gent eman 
intended to imply that the president would veto 
this bill, and that if the president did veto it he 
would place himself in the attitude of saying to 
the majority: "Unless you appropriate money for 
the purpose I demand, I will not let you have 
money to run the courts of the country." He 
would not put himself in the attitude of delaying 
the majority in congress and commanding it to do 
what it deemed unconstitutional. The majority 
would never do it. [Cries of "what, never?" on 
the republican side]. 
Springer—No, never; not hardly ever, but never. 
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marshals of elections. [Applause on the democrat 
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The legislative appropriation bill was reported
by the committee on enrolled bills and signed by
the speaker.
The house went into committee of the whole on
the private calendar. After about an hour in committee private bills were reported and passed.
Lapham presented the views of the minority judictary committee on the veto message; ordered
printed.
The speaker submitted the applications of a dosen members for indefinite leave of absence. One
pleaded sickness and the remainder important
business.

Washington, June 21.

The committee on privileges and elections, was authorized to appoint a sub-committee to sit during recess and continue the Spofford-Keilogg in-

A resolution heretofore offered by Walker calling on the President for information as to lives and property lost in certain Indian wars, was taken up and adopted.

A bill to provide for filling vacancies in the office of chief engineers of the United States army; passed. The bill is the same as one to amend

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the army appropriation bill adopted in committee of the whole and non-concurred in last night by the senate.

Kellogg introduced a bill to provide ocean mail steamship service between the United States and south America; referred. The bill directs the post master general to invite proposals and contract with the lowest responsible bidders for good monthly service for ten years each by three lines of steamships to ply between New York and Rio Janerio touching at Aspinwall, Pars. Pernambuco and Bahia; between New Orleans and Rio Janerio touching at Galveston. Aspinwall, and such ports of the United States, West Indies and Brazil, as the postmaster general may deem expedient; and between San Francisco and Valparaiso, touching at Panama and such ports in Ecuador and Peru, as the postmaster general may direct. The service is to be performed in each case by iron steamships of not less than 200 tons burden, American bull, and capable of making eleven nautical miles per hour The first departure for each line is not to be later than one year from the bill's chactment.

Senate bill regulating intercourse with subjects of the Chinese empire, visiting or residing in the United States, was taken up, and Siater advocated its passage. At the conclusion of his speech the bill was referred.

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The committee reduces from \$415,000 to \$400 000 the appropriation for the payment of letter carriers for the fiscal year ending June, 1850 and to extend service for said year in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated. The committee strikes out the appropriation of \$71,000 for the payment of increased salaries to letter carriers under the provisions of the existing law for the fiscal year ending June, 1879

Davis, of West Virginia, chairman of the committee, explained that the department failed to make any classification of carriers entitled to this increased salary: therefore the committee thought it improper to make any appropriation until such classification was made and the exact amount required ascertained. The amount appropriated for the year ending June 3d is in anticipation that the classification for that year will be made. Several amendments were adopted.

Davis, of Illinois, submitted an amendment inserting an appropriation of \$22,886 to pay balances due and audited, and allowed for transporting mails prior to July 1, 1876; adopted. The bill was reported back to the senate.

Maxey asked a separate vote on concurring in amendments made in committee of the whole, reducing the appropriation from \$415,000 to \$400,000, and striking out the appropriation for increased salaries for 1879. He thought the amendments an injustice to a hard worked class of men.

Logan, Allison, Ferry, Paddock and others spoke against the amendment.

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Beck said that the appropriation committee, in view or estimates and communications from the postoffice department, had made the amendment in order to get a conference committee of the two houses to come to an agreement as to what was right. The committee desired earnestly to do justice to letter carriers. There two amendments were nonconcurred in. The remaining amendments were concurred in and the bill passed.

House joint resolution authorizing the completion of the foundation of the Washington monument passed. Adjourned.

Cobb made a personal explanation regarding a statement in the Indianapolis Journal concerning a Massachusetts regiment, and brought on a discussion lasting two hours.

The army appropriation bill was presented by the committee on enrolled bills and signed by the speaker, and the house proceeded to consideration of the political assessment bill.

Republicans then filtustered against any disposition of the bill.

Kenna from committee on enrolled bills reported the army appropriation bill and it was signed by the speaker.

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The house then resumed in the morning hour consideration of the bill prohibiting political as-

sessments.

Hostetter withdrew his demand for previous question and moved to refer the bill to committee of the whole, and on that motion demanded the

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Republicans then, notwithstanding intimation from Springer that the bill would rot be taken up for consideration at the present session, refrained from voting, thus leaving the house without a quorum. During one of the roll calis a message was received from the president announcing his approval of the legislative bill. The announcement was greeted with appliause on the republican side, and Garfield remarked "We have provided for curselves, now let us provide for the rest of the government.

government.

The supplementary judicial bill as enrolled was signed by the speaker and sent to the senate for the signature of the presiding officer of that body. The morning hour expired without any action on the political assessment bill, and it went over until next Monday.

During the day's session there was utter spathy manifested so that it was almost impossible to obtain a quorum on any vote although on one of the roll calls 183 members answered.

The bill to establish post roads in certain states passed.

pects of home. We stay." This declaration was greeted with applause.

McMahou sustained the report against the argument of Garfield, and provoked derisive joers of the republicans by allusion to the president as "his fraudulency." He said: If the gent eman cost a hundred million dollars and in which Gar-field sustained it as a great work in which men from the north and from the south could clasp hands together, amendments were concurred in 166 to 11.

### An Astonished Burglar.

A locksmith in Providence has a big pet owl which he keeps in his shop. Not springer-No, never not hardly ever, but never. Springer-No, never not hardly ever, but never. We will not appropriate one dollar to spad deputy marshals of elections. (Applause on the democratic side).

Hawk-You frishen this side of the house. Hawk in the side of the house which is one to "his frauduleney" who was known by the tille of president of the United States-jeers on the republican side]—seemed to be charged with the spedial commission or coming here on this floor to tell the representatives of the people that that gentleman who had got into the presidency by fraud, was not going to approve the bills that these representatives desired to pass. There had been time when representatives of the republican stry, and thought such a course indeepen party had thought such a course indeepen public service. Had progressed in making his escape; leaving his hat and the implement who a year and a half age had voted against the Bland silver dollar and who now under the lead of the swallow tailed gentleman from Michigan (Conger) came into the house ever y day and fillustreen against the political assessment bill, the bill relative to the removal of causes to the state course and the stat oath repeal bill; and now when the majority had brought in an army appropriation bill, it had wineseed a spectacle. But he would not solled to the removal of causes to the state course and the stat oath repeal bill; and now when the majority had brought in an army appropriation bill, it had wineseed a spectacle. But he would not sole refused to two; it was nothing more than a prostitution of their congressional unity to partisan fidelity. These gentlemen on the other side refused to vote, it was nothing more than a prostitution of their congressional unity to partisan fidelity. These gentlemen on the other side refused to vote, it was nothing more than a prostitution of their congressional unity to partisan fideli long since an intruding burglar broke open the back window of the shop with a jimmy, and prepared to despoil the shop, and probably the house, which is is connected therewith. But as soon as w. H. ATKINSON.

trumpeting, "Shake her up, boys!" Ar-riving at the fire, he could plunge his proboscis into the tank, and get first stream on before "Forty's men" had opened a hydrant! And, by the way, did you ever notice that spot on his head just right for a firemax's hat? And how he would crack peanuts on annual parade day, and joke with the Common Council! And then how he could poke his old trunk up into the second story

and take out a little baby. A dare-devil jumped from the suspension bridge into the Niagara river the other day. He says that one's sensations in descending 192 feet do not differ es sentially from those which one has in jumping ten feet. He thinks that he must have gone down about eleven feet into the water when he encountered an Stigation.

The report of the conference committee on the isagreeing vote of the two houses on the judicial appenses bill, was taken up and adopted by a party though he was being drawn quickly on a though he was being drawn quickly on a rough board table. His eyes were open, and he could see the bridge through the water. He threw up his hands, paddled a little, and instantly rose to the surface.

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