WASHINGTON CITY.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23.

Below are the proceedings of a number of benevolent citizens of this place. Rarely do there been an occasion, which more loudly called for indiscriminate attention, than that produced by the rigors of this frosty season. We receive that vigorous measures have been taken for affording relief to the poor, and trust that there is not a citizen, within the limits of Washington, whole feelings will not impel him to lend his aid in their behalf, in mitigating the distress of his fellow-men.

Monday, January 21.

AT a meeting of a number of the citizens of Washington, residing north of the Capitol, convened, pursuant to notice, at Mr. Rhodes's tavern, for the purpose of giving relief to the indigent and needy in the poor, at the present destitute and inclement season.

THOMAS MUNROE was appointed chairman, and A. BREVOORT WOODWARD, Secretary.

Resolved, That five committees be appointed to obtain contributions in the different parts of the city, and that *Mr. James C. Bayly*, *Mr. Daniel Peter* be a committee for that part of the city lying north of the well-established street, *Mr. Joseph Hodgson* and *Mr. Benjamin Perkins* for the remaining part west of Pennsylvania avenue, *Mr. James Binney* and *Mr. Lewis Clapham* for the remaining part west of well-established street, *Mr. Peter Lenox* and *Mr. A. B. Woodward* for the remaining part west of the Capitol and north of the Tiber, and *Mr. Robert Ross* and *Mr. Daniel Brent* for the remaining part south of Delaware avenue, and South of the Tiber.

Resolved, That a treasurer be appointed, to whom the contributions of money shall be paid by the five subordinate committees. *Mr. James Davidson* was unanimously elected.

Resolved, That *Mr. Peter Hagner*, *Mr. John M'Gowan*, and *Mr. Washington Boyd*, be a committee to administer relief to poor and needy, according to the ability of Washington, including well of north Capitol street and south of Delaware avenue, in whole order, or that of any two of them, the treasurer shall pay the monies in his hands.

Resolved, That *Mr. John Brown*, *Mr. Joseph Bromley*, *Mr. William Simmons*, the reverend *Mr. Thomas Lanman*, the reverend *Mr. Matthew. Mr. Geo. Ambrose*, *Mr. Samuel H. Smith*, *Mr. Rhoades Fry*, and *Mr. John Dickinson*, be appointed to enquire concerning poor and deserving objects, and that persons desiring to be relieved, do apply to some one or more of the said persons, or other respectable citizens, for a certificate of their affairs and wants.

Resolved, That these proceedings be published in the National Intelligencer.

And the meeting adjourned.

THOMAS MUNROE, Chairman.

A. B. WOODWARD, Secty.

The committee for the relief of the poor in Washington, well of the Capitol, give notice that they will sit every morning at after nine, and every afternoon at half after four, at Mr. Rhodes's tavern, where, as well as at their respective place of homes, application may be made to them.

PETER HAGNER,
JOHN M'GOWAN,
WASHINGTON BOYD.

January 23, 1829.

The controversy between Messrs. Stoddert and Gronland has already, perhaps, proved of more harm than good publication. Nothing but the peculiar circumstances connected with it could have induced the editors to admit several of the pieces which have appeared. The parties have been appeased, at every finger of the editorship, that there was a point beyond which publications would not be admitted. If, in this, it has not yet reached, it is certainly rapidly approaching. The editors, therefore, thinks his purpose, should it ever be any-why offered to Mr. Stoddert's piece of so easy, to hand it, previous to insertion, to the opposite party, and so, of all further publications, by admitting in the latter paper whatever shall be offered by Mr. S. and Mr. G.—

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, JANUARY 21.

Mr. Olin presented the petition of Abigail Bradley, widow of Col. Bradley, called, praying to be relieved from the demand of 4000 dollars, which the United States had against the estate, in his quality of collector of the land tax.—Referred to the committee of claims.

A message was received from the President of the United States, informing that he had approved and signed the act authorizing the erection of a dam or cauliway from Malon's island to the western shore of the river Potomac.

Mr. Dana, from the committee of claims, reported a bill for the relief of capt. Alexander Murray, which was read twice, and referred to a committee for consideration.

Mr. Findlay presented a memorial on behalf of the people called Quakers, requesting Congress to pass a resolution to the importation of blacks into the United States. Referred to the committee of commerce and manufactures.

Mr. Gregg presented a petition from a number of inhabitants in Montgomery and Lancaster counties (Pennsylvania) praying for establishment of a new post road between Norrstown and Lancaster. Referred to the committee on post offices and post roads.

The bill for extinguishing certain debts due to the United States, being in its third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Foster, recommitted to a committee of whole.

The House divided on the motion—80 in the affirmative, and 24 in the negative.

So it was carried.

Mr. Nicholson moved to make it the order of the day for the fourth of March next.

The House divided—39 for it, and 46 against it.

It was therefore, not made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole agreeably to the order of the day, on the bill authorizing the pull master general to pay the balance of the sum of 4000 dollars for carrying the mail from Fayetteville to Charleston, South Carolina.

Mr. Gregg in the chair.

The committee rose, without time spent in considering the same, rose and reported the bill, with an amendment, which was adopted by the House, and the bill referred to be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Crowninshield reported from the committee of commerce and manufactures against the petition of the factor returns, for an allowance of the drawback upon exportation equal to the duties collected on the raw sugars.

Mr. Sp. Rankin called for the order of the day on the bill making an appropriation for the military establishment of the United States.

General Harrison in the chair.

After long time spent in filling the blanks, the committee rose and reported the bill, with amendments, which were adopted by the House, the bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading to-morrow.

Adjourned.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22.

Mr. Rankin reported from the committee of enrollment, that he had presented to the President the bill which had passed both Houses, for the relief of Charlotte Hixon.

The petition of Alexander Simonton, praying for the remission of duties, &c. received during our revolutionary war.

And another from John Griffey to the like effect, were read, and both referred to the committee of claims.

The bill for the support of the military establishment for 1829, was read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Nicholson reported from the committee appointed for the purpose, a bill fixing the value of rations allowed to the officers and soldiers of the United States. It was read twice, and referred to a committee of the whole for consideration.

Mr. Rhea's (of Tennessee) motion, relative to the number of troops and officers, under the reduction, was called up and agreed to.

Mr. Dana, from the committee of claims, reported the prayer of the petition of Rinaldo Johnson, and another report in favour of the petition of Elizabeth Hobby.

Also, on the petition of Hannah Hobby, that the heirs have leave to withdraw her petition.

Mr. Crowninshield, from the committee of commerce and manufactures, reported on the petition of Oliver Evans, of Philadelphia, on his gist.

Mr. Crowninshield reported from the committee of commerce and manufactures, a bill for altering the act for the protection of useful arts. It was read twice, and referred to the committee of the whole on the report in the case of Oliver Evans.

Mr. Crowninshield reported on the petition of the Typographical Society of Philadelphia—

Resolved That they have leave to withdraw their petition—Agreed.

A memorial was preferred to the House, from the Delegates appointed by various districts of the district of Columbia—Referred to Messrs. Nicholson, Thomson, Plater, Lewis and Lamar, and the memorial and accompanying documents referred to the report.

The report of the committee on Doctor Leib's motion for erecting a marine hospital, finds the fault fully the original, at Philadelphia, was referred to a committee of the whole.

Mr. Gregg in the chair.

After long time spent in considering the same, the committee rose, and reported a resolution, which being concurred in by the House, it was ordered that the committee bring in a bill conformably thereto.

(By Authority.)

AN ACT,

Authorizing the corporation of George Town to erect a bridge across the river from Mason's island to the western shore of the river Potomac.

Be it enacted, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of American Congress assembled, That the corporation of George Town have power to levy a tax, not exceeding one hundred per centum, on the property in said town, and in addition within the jurisdiction of the said corporation, for the purpose of defraying the expense of erecting a dam or cauliway across that arm of the river Potomac which lies between Mason's island and the western shore of the said river: that the same shall not be erected and the corporation of George Town, proprietors of the island and of the western shore of the river opposite thereto, shall first have obtained the right to be granted to the said corporation, of levying an extra tax, to cover and defray the expense of the said dam, as granted shall be completed—effected.

NATHL. MACON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
JOS. ANDERSON,
President of the Senate pro tempore.
January 19, 1829.—Approved,
TH: JEFFERSON.

TO THE FOLKS.

If men of fools should think further notice of Mr. Gronland, unnecessary from me, let them recollect, that he has imposed upon a gullible one, and the sensible I am under of the folly and shame of not giving to the Tontine property.

For long I have repented, at this, I am afraid too late, that I ever gave the Tontine, I ought to have, at first, been ashamed the rules of gull in secret, and public papers. I proved to the convention of Washington, that I was ashamed of the ridiculous shade of support. Adhere to reduce the Tontine's total value, I have, his next step was to influence charges of corruption, against a majority of the committee, who, according to his opinion, contrived to gull from less to less 5 dollars at fair price will be held at Bailey's hotel, on the fifth Monday in February next.

It was proper too that the public should not be deceived upon by bad rules, I, therefore, to reproach for their gullibility, I, therefore, to admonish their knowledge of the law, and thoroughly versed in city affairs, I, therefore, to the public, I, therefore, to Tontine, to investigate and to judge of the rules, before the commencement of the dinner, gentlemen happen to be the council for the affigees of prisons, who have introduce fpon the simplicity in the city property, a circumstance which received a little more prudence, I, therefore, to the public, I, therefore, to the public, I, therefore, to the public