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CONGRESS—[illegible] SPEAKERSHIP.

[illegible] Speaker [illegible] proceedings [illegible] House [illegible] Speaker, after three unsuccessful votes [illegible] Speaker, Mr. Lewis offered the following curious resolution:

Whereas, A precedent has been established [illegible] the House [illegible] Speaker [illegible] Resolved, That the Speaker [illegible] Whigs proceed [illegible] Native American [illegible] the Speaker [illegible] Democrats [illegible] Free Soilers [illegible] name shall be drawn by [illegible] Speaker of the House.

The House paid very little respect to this proposition, for it was [illegible] laid upon the table. Mr. Moses of Ga. then submitted the following [illegible] and resolution:

Whereas, The Hon. Howell Cobb of Ga., [illegible] Hon. Robert C. Winthrop of Mass., have [illegible] more than one hundred votes, in a [illegible] ballots;

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House [illegible] Hon. Howell Cobb [illegible] Winthrop on a box, and the first name drawn from the house of the pages, shall be the Speaker of the 31st Congress.

Mr. Moses urged, in support of his plan, that [illegible] House began to be ridiculous, that the country expected a speedy organization; that one or the other of the two great parties should have the control of the Speaker; and [illegible] it was time to terminate the [illegible] proceedings of the last week.

Mr. Gray, of Mass., moved to lay the proposition on the table. Mr. Root, of Ohio, [illegible] the acknowledgment that the parties were unable to organize the House, [illegible] gambling transaction should [illegible] to meet the difficulty, was in [illegible] to [illegible] anything that had [illegible] Mr. Woodward, of S.C., was [illegible] for any man as a compromise [illegible] he was sure would carry with it a [illegible] of principle. He had stood [illegible] 1, when no name would elect a Speaker, to make a choice between the gentlemen nominated by the caucuses.

Mr. Moses's resolution was lost.

Mr. Stanton, of Ohio, then moved that the House proceed to elect a Speaker by ballot.—This created quite a flutter, and was opposed on the ground that it was secret action; that it would enable gentlemen to conceal their votes, that it was a reflection on their integrity, &c. The motion was laid on the table by a vote of 104 to 62.

Mr. Pearce of Md., then submitted a resolution for the appointment of a committee, by which shall recommend to the House a person to fill the office of Speaker of the House.

Mr. Sawtelle moved that the House should adjourn to the 1st Monday in January, [illegible] it was ruled out of order, and the House adjourned to the next day.

From this brief sketch, it would appear that the House is more completely at sea than ever, and [illegible] of effecting a compromise is exceedingly small. Later intelligence by Telegraph confirms this view. We cannot perceive how the House is ever to be organized, [illegible] determined spirit of opposition [illegible] measures intended to conciliate the parties. And yet, to this complexion [illegible] members come at last, or resign [illegible] Wednesday, trifling away their [illegible] the people's patience, and the money of the Government, in fruitless attempts to tire out [illegible] resolution.

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The Weather.—For the last day or two Winter seems to have called back into the bosom of Summer. The days are excessively warm, and not the less disagreeable that the air is heavy with moisture. We are sadly in want of a [illegible] cool spell.

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☞ The Hon. William Hunter died at Newport, [illegible] Monday evening, 3d inst. He had been [illegible] Senator from Rhode Island and Minister to Brazil, and was universally esteemed. His age was 56.

☞ Robert Hall did not lose his power of [illegible] even in madness. A hypocritical condoler with a misfortunate once visited him in the [illegible] house, and said, in a whining tone, "[illegible] brought you here, Mr. Hall?" Hall [illegible] touched his brow with his finger [illegible] "What never bring you here—too [illegible] brain."

Paris—The "empire" was all quiet on the 1st inst. The Emperor was to embark on the [illegible] from Jeremie to the eastern part of St. Domingo. A great fire occurred at Porte-au-Prince on the 15th ult., destroying from seventy-five to eighty houses in the centre part of the city.

Important Decision.—We understand from the Boston Transcript that the Supreme Court decided on Saturday morning, in the case of [illegible] vs. the City of Boston, that a watchman, in the course of his duty, detects an incendiary, cannot claim a reward offered by the [illegible] for detection and conviction of incendiaries, [illegible] the general principle of [illegible] officer has a right to claim [illegible] that he is obliged by duty [illegible] rendered for the detection [illegible]

[illegible] On Thursday [illegible] efficient mail [illegible] arrested [illegible] master at [illegible] Indiana [illegible]

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