

No. 17.

RESOLUTION

Relative to United States pensioners.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, It is the opinion of the legislature of Pennsylvania, that the bill reported to the house of representatives of the United States at the present session, from the committee on revolutionary pensions, to amend an act, entitled "An Act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows," and the several acts amendatory of the same, and to extend and continue the provisions thereof, or one containing similar provisions, should be passed into a law at as early a day as possible: Therefore, it is

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That our senators and representatives in congress be and are hereby requested to advocate and vote for the passage of the said or a similar bill, and to use all honorable exertions to have the same promptly enacted into a law.

Resolved, That the governor be and he is hereby requested to cause a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution to be forwarded to each of our senators and representatives in congress.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,

Speaker of the Senate.

No. 18.

RESOLUTION

Relating to the compensation of John Laird, late assistant sergeant-at-arms of the senate.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the speaker of the senate is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant upon the state treasurer in favor of the clerk of the senate, for the sum of two hundred dollars, in full compensation for the services of John Laird, late assistant sergeant-at-arms, and in full for all claim for funeral expenses; and the clerk is authorized to settle the amount due for funeral expenses, and pay the balance to Mary Laird, the widow of

Funeral expenses

deceased: *Provided*, That the warrants hereby directed, shall be *Proviso.*
subject to deductions for payments already made on account of such
services.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The fourteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.

No. 19.

RESOLUTION

Relative to the tariff.

WHEREAS, The present tariff promises to answer the purposes of *Preamble.*
revenue, and also to yield to American industry the encouragement
necessary to the development of the great resources of our country :
And whereas, Permanency in our revenue laws is indispensably necessary
to the protection of the capital and labor embarked in manufacturing
and agricultural operations, under the sanction of those laws, and can
alone insure and advance the prosperity of the various great interests
which, combined, constitute the wealth of the nation : *And whereas*,
A bill is now pending in the congress of the United States, the operation
of which would affect, injuriously, the important staple productions of
this commonwealth : Therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That our
senators in congress be instructed, and our representatives requested, to
oppose any change in the present tariff, which might prove injurious to
the manufacturing and agricultural interests of this commonwealth,
sternly to resist any reduction in the present duties on iron, coal and
wool, and to omit no effort to sustain all the great interests of the nation,
calculated to foster and promote American industry.

Resolved, That a copy of the resolution be forwarded to each of our
members in the senate and congress, with the yeas and nays attached.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,
Speaker of the Senate.

On the final passage of the resolution—

In the House, the yeas were 81—nays, none.
Senate, “ “ 30—nays, one.

WILLIAM JACK,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

JOHN J. M'CAHEN,
Clerk of the Senate.