

BANK OF THE UNITED STATES.

The following resolutions should have been adopted by Congress. It is to be hoped that Judge Wayne will again bring the subject before the House of Representatives at the next session.

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The House then took up the resolutions offered by Mr. WAYNE, as follows.

1. Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be directed to procure from the Bank of the United States, and to furnish this House, on or before the first day of January next, with the names of the persons, corporate bodies, private companies, or copartnerships, who shall be owners of stock in the Bank of the United States, on the first day of November next, with the number of shares held by individuals, corporations, companies, or copartnerships, distinguishing the States of the Union, or the counties, in which said stockholders may reside, and, as far as practicable, showing how many widows, orphans, minors, and unmarried females in the U. S. are owners of stock in the said Bank.

2. With a statement of the number of persons in the employment of said Bank, and its branches, their names, wages, or salaries, the amount of security given by each person so employed, and who shall be the securities of said persons on the first day of November next.

3. With a statement of the amount of specie imported into the United States by the Bank of the United States; the amounts exported, and for what objects: showing the costs of that imported, and the arrangements for procuring it; whether by bills of exchange, by pledges of stock of the United States held and owned by the Bank of the United States, or by other stock of corporate bodies, owned by or pledged to said Bank.

4. With a statement of the funds which the Bank of the United States shall have in Europe on the first day of November next; showing the different kinds, and that which the Bank shall deem equivalent to specie.

5. With a statement of the amount of specie received or drawn by the Bank of the United States from incorporated banks, in the States, and in the District of Columbia, distinguishing the amounts from each, at the time the United States Bank was carried into operation, or for the purpose of carrying the same into operation, or upon the establishment

of any branches of the said Bank; with the amount of specie in the vaults of said Bank when the same began its operations, or began discounting, and the amount of the capital of said Bank assigned to its branches, and the changes which the same have undergone in this regard, since the establishment of said branches.

6 With a statement of the amount of bills or notes of the Banks incorporated by the State Legislatures, acquired by the Bank of the United States and its branches, distinguishing the manner the same was acquired by the Bank of the United States, when not by deposit, and which have been redeemed by said Banks, from week to week, or at other intervals, as may have been stipulated between the Bank of the United States and such State Banks, showing the contracts with each for the redemption of the notes or bills of each, and the amount of interest paid by said Banks to the Bank of the U. S. upon bills or notes not redeemed when the time stipulated for their redemption had arrived.

7 With a statement of the profit received or made by the Bank of the United States, for premiums on bills of exchange, or upon draughts or checks, between the States, and between the U. S. and foreign nations, and the rates of exchange established by said Bank, from time to time, and upon what general rule the Bank fixes said rates.

8 With a statement of the amount of funds of the United States received on deposit at the Bank of the United States and its branches; distinguishing the same as to time and amounts, by months or quarters, beginning from the first deposit made on account of the United States in said Bank, and ending at the expiration of the month or quarter preceding the first day of November next.

9 With a statement of the sums transmitted by the Bank of the United States for the Government of the United States, from and to what places, the times when done, the mode of transfer, and what has been the cost, if any, for doing the same, to the Bank of the United States.

10 With a statement of the amount of loans made by the Bank of the United States to the Government of the United States; moneys advanced, when, and for what purposes, and whether by law or joint resolution of Congress, or upon the request of any functionary of the Government of the United States, with the amount of interest paid by the Government of the United States to said Bank upon loans or money advanced.

11 With a statement of the amount of bills or notes which the Bank of the U. S. shall have in circulation, or on deposit, at the Bank in Philadelphia, and its branches, on the first day of November next; distinguishing them into the several kinds, by what officers signed, and where payable.

12 With a statement of the different kinds of stock pledged to, or at any time owned by, the Bank of the United States, in any other bank, rail road, or canal company, particularly distinguishing how the same was acquired.

13 With a statement of the transfers of each stock of said Bank to the Bank, by way of pledge, for loans or otherwise, made at any time since the Bank began its operations, and which it shall hold on the first day of November next.

14 With a statement of the real estate owned by the Bank of the United States in the States of the Union, and in the District of Columbia; where situated, and the value affixed to the same by the Bank of the United States.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be directed to procure, in such way as he may deem most suitable to accomplish the object, and to give to this House the most definite information upon the subject, a statement of the number of incorporated banks in the United States and in the District of Columbia, with the amount of capital of each; to what amount they are permitted to discount, by the charters of each; and that the said Banks be requested to give the average annual discounts of each, from the times either of the same were carried into operation; and that the same be furnished this House on or before the first day of January next.

Mr. WAYNE said his object was to place before the House the relative advantages and disadvantages of the Bank, so that when the question concerning it shall come up, the subject may be understood. He did not desire to call for any information, which it would not be proper to make public.

The resolutions were then rejected—Ayes 51 Noes 72.

Mr. W. A. DAVIS moved a reconsideration of the vote by which Mr. WAYNE's resolutions were rejected.

Mr. WAYNE asked the ayes and noes, which were ordered.

Mr. REED moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table.

The ayes and noes were asked for on this motion, and were ordered.

The question was then taken and decided in the affirmative. Ayes 95 Noes 70.

So the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.