

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

APRIL 1, 1879.—Referred to the Committee on Rules and ordered to be printed.

Mr. ROLLINS submitted the following

RESOLUTION:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Rules be, and they hereby are, directed to inquire into the expediency of an amendment to the rules of the Senate, which shall provide that the several committees shall receive the estimates and report the annual appropriation bills as hereinafter named:

First. *The Committee on Appropriations*: Bills for the legislative, executive, and judicial expenses, for all deficiencies, and for sundry civil expenses.

Second. *The Committee on Military Affairs*: The bills for the support of the Army, the Military Academy, and for fortifications.

Third. *The Committee on Naval Affairs*: The bills for the support of the Navy and the Naval Academy.

Fourth. *The Committee on Foreign Relations*: The bills for diplomatic and consular expenses, and for carrying out the treaties of the United States with foreign countries.

Fifth. *The Committee on Indian Affairs*: The bills for the expenses of the Indian Department.

Sixth. *The Committee on Post-Offices and Post-Roads*: The bills for the expenses of the Post-Office Department, and mail transportation by land or sea.

Seventh. *The Committee on Commerce*: The bills for the improvement of harbors and rivers, and construction and repair of light-houses.

Eighth. *The Committee on the District of Columbia*: The bills for the expenses and support of the District of Columbia.

Ninth. *The Committee on Pensions*: The bills for the payment of pensions.

Tenth. *The Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds*: Bills for such public buildings and grounds as the needs of the government may require.

Eleventh. *The Committee on Agriculture*: The bill for the expenses of the Department of Agriculture.