

what did you take the extract, and were you, or were you not aware he Mr. Smith had the original?

Mr. Stevenson moves in amendment, That Mr. Brown being a party cannot be used as a witness in this case unless called by the opposite party.

Mr. Wilson moves in amendment, to the amendment, That Mr. Sanborn has the right to put any question to Mr. Brown, who has been called already as a witness before the Committee, at the instance of Mr. Macdonald.

Committee divided upon Mr. Wilson's amendment.

Yeas :

Mr. Masson,

Mr. Wilson,

Mr. Sanborn,—3.

Nays :

Mr. Stevenson,

The Chairman,—2.

It was carried in the affirmative,

And the main motion as amended being put it was then moved by Mr. Stevenson in amendment, That Mr. Brown was called as a witness by Mr. Macdonald of necessity, after the Committee had decided that the destruction of the original books of evidence had not been sufficiently proved, and then only to exhaust all possible testimony on that subject, by declaring what he had done with them, or what he knew respecting them, but he was not called as a witness to establish any point of the order of reference to this Committee, nor was he, in fact, asked any question relative to said order, and that Mr. Brown cannot be called to give evidence on the case unless by desire of the opposite party.

And the said motion in amendment, being put it was carried on the following division :

Yeas :

Mr. Stevenson,

Mr. Masson,

The Chairman,—3.

Nays :

Mr. Wilson,

Mr. Sanborn,—2.

And the main motion as further amended, being again put, passed on the same division.

The Committee adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M., to-morrow.

Wednesday, 28th May, 1856.

Committee met,—

MEMBERS PRESENT :

JAMES MOIR FERRES, Esquire,
(*Chairman.*)

Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Sanborn,

Mr. Stevenson,
Mr. Felton,—5.

The Hon. Mr. Macdonald and Mr. Brown were present.

MINUTES of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. Brown states that he will not produce any further evidence.

The Committee adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M., on Friday next.