

HOUSE.....No. 17.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Mr. Webster, of Haverhill, moves to amend the Bill, concerning the Deposit of the Surplus Revenue, (printed Document, No. 6,) by striking out all of the *first* section, after the word "same," in the *ninth* line thereof, and inserting as follows :

1 Be deposited with such of the several towns, cities
2 and districts of this Commonwealth, as shall agree to
3 receive the same, and duly authorize their treasurer, or
4 other agent appointed by them, to receive the same,
5 on the terms hereinafter specified in the following
6 manner and proportions, viz.: the first two instal-
7 ments of said monies, shall be deposited with said
8 several cities, towns and districts, in proportion to
9 their respective populations, as ascertained by the
10 last general census. The third and fourth instalment
11 of said monies, shall be deposited with said cities,
12 towns and districts, in proportion to their respective
13 population, to be ascertained by a new census of
14 this Commonwealth, to be taken as hereinafter pro-
15 vided, and if upon the taking of such new census,
16 it shall be found that any town, city or district, has

17 received a less sum out of the first and second instal-
18 ment, than it would have been entitled to receive,
19 had the distribution been made in proportion to the
20 population, as ascertained by such new census, such
21 city, town or district, shall receive out of the third
22 and fourth instalment, such additional sum as would
23 make the whole sum deposited with each of said sev-
24 eral cities, towns and districts, the sum that it would
25 have, had the whole monies received by the treasurer
26 and receiver general been originally deposited in pro-
27 portion as ascertained by the new census.

Mr. Cushman of Bernardston, moves to amend the amend-
ment, submitted by Mr. Webster, of Haverhill, by
striking out all after the word "proportions," in the
6th line, and inserting as follows :

1 The two first instalments of said money shall be
2 divided in proportion to the rateable polls of the year
3 A. D. 1836 ; and the two other instalments shall be
4 divided in proportion to the rateable polls as ascer-
5 tained by a new census, to be taken agreeably to law
6 in May next.