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On the Theory of the Formation of Coral Reefs. Alexander Agassiz.

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The Distribution of the Stars. E. C. Pickering.

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Biographical Memoir of J. S. Newberry. C. A. White.

The Present Aspect of Our Knowledge as to the Constant of Aberration. S. C. Chandler.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.

The president read a letter from the Hon. J. H. Southard, chairman of the Committee on Coinage, Weights, and Measures of the House of Representatives, asking the opinion of the Academy on certain features of the bill pending in the House for the compulsory introduction of the French metrical system into the United States.

The letter was referred to the committee of the Academy on weights, measures, and coinage, which presented a majority report signed by C. S. Peirce and William Sellers.

Mr. C. B. Comstock presented a minority report.

Mr. Southard's letter is as follows :

COMMITTEE ON COINAGE, WEIGHTS, AND MEASURES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, D. C., April 15, 1902.

The PRESIDENT NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES,
Washington, D. C.

DEAR SIR: I have the honor to inform you that there is now pending before Congress a bill providing for the sole use of the standards of the metric system of weights