

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, " Shall this bill pass the House ?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—20.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Pyle presented a petition of 18 citizens of Wilmington, praying for the repeal of the Registry Law,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Hanby presented a similar petition of sundry citizens,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the same committee.

The Speaker presented a communication from the Levy Court of Kent county, asking for a copy of the bill entitled, "An act to repeal the tax on certain investments,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Todd, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. McNeal,  
 Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,  
 "An act to change the name of High Street, in the the Town of  
 Dover,"  
 Which,  
 On motion of Mr. Todd,  
 Was read.

Mr. McNeal presented a petition of John Hickman and others,  
 asking for a change in the School Law,  
 Which,  
 On his motion,  
 Was read and ordered to be filed.

Mr. Nowland, from the Committee on Education, to whom was  
 referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act uniting the School Districts of Dover,"

Reported the same back to the House with six amendments,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The first amendment was read, as follows :

Strike out, in the second line of Section 1, the words between the  
 first word in said line and the figures 1875 therein,

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The second amendment was read, as follows :

Strike out the word "April," at the end of the seventeenth line of  
 said section, and the expression "3d, 1875," in next line,

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The third amendment was read, as follows :

Strike out the words " have power " in the first line of said section,

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The fourth amendment was read, as follows :

Amend the bill by striking out the fifth section and substituting in lieu thereof the following :

"SECTION 5. The board shall have the right to draw the dividends from time to time which the several districts named in Section 1 shall be entitled to as their part of the State School Fund, and shall have authority to fix such sum in addition as they may deem necessary to educate all the children in the district that are entitled to be educated in the public schools, and to assess, levy and collect the same as school taxes now are by law provided ; the said sum shall not exceed three thousand dollars. And if, during the present or any other year hereafter, the sum of money to be raised by tax or subscription, together with the sum to be received from the State, shall, in the opinion of the School Board for the time being, or a majority of them, be inadequate or not sufficient to keep up a good school, as contemplated and provided for in the third section of the act for the establishment of free schools, (Hall's Digest, 490,) then and in such case it shall and may be lawful for such board, and they, or a majority of them, are hereby authorized and empowered, in addition to the money to be raised by tax or subscription, and to be received from the State, as aforesaid, to raise and levy such further sum as they may deem necessary and proper for the purposes aforesaid, by ordering and directing that such sum per quarter for each and every child or pupil that attends the said school, and which the said School Board, or a majority of them, may see fit to charge therewith, shall be paid by the parent, guardian, or person sending such child or pupil, into the hands of the School Board at the end or expiration of every quarter or term ; and in case of default of payment of any such quarter, the same may be handed over to the collector and may be collected as school taxes are now authorized

to be collected by the law of this State; and the said collector shall be answerable on his bond, as now provided by law, for the collection and payment over of the quarter or term charges, and shall have the same compensation as now provided by law for collecting and paying over school taxes."

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The fifth amendment was read as follows :

Strike out after the word "Board" in first line and before the word "shall" in second line the words "in addition to the powers conferred by this act."

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

Mr. Nowland moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Friday morning next,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The Senate bill entitled,

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled 'An act to establish a company under the name of the Mispillion Navigation Company,' passed at Dover, February 1st, 1827,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Todd presented a petition for an act to lay out a new public road in Dover hundred, Kent county,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. J. W. Phillips presented two petitions for a more stringent Liquor Law,



Which,

On his motion,

Were read and referred to the special Committee on Moral Reform.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The vote by which the bill entitled,

"An act uniting the School Districts of Dover,"

Was postponed until Friday morning, was reconsidered.

Mr. Nowland withdraw, by unanimous consent, his motion to postpone the bill.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The sixth amendment was read as follows :

Amend Section 7 by adding the following after the last word in said section : "As soon as may be after the election of the commissioners herein provided for, they shall settle the accounts of the two united districts hereby consolidated respectively, and all cash on hand belonging to either of said districts shall be paid over to the Treasurer of the Dover Public Schools, and all taxes unpaid at the time of the organization of the new board, shall be collected in the same manner as if this act had not been passed, and paid over to the treasurer of such schools, and said board shall have full power to enforce such collection and payment."

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Houston presented a remonstrance against the passage of the bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill was re-committed to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Todd, Chairman of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of Abram Pierson and others, praying for the passage of an act to straighten a public road in Kent county, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to straighten a certain public road therein mentioned, in Kent county, near Pierson's Corner,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Houston presented a petition to straighten a road and vacate a road in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to a special committee of three, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Houston, McNeal and Voshell were appointed said committee.

Mr. Frame, from the special committee to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to change the name of Hettie E. Frame to Hettie E. McColley, and to change the name of her son, Clayton Frame, to Clayton McColley, and for other purposes,"

Reported the same back to the House.

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The bill was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The further consideration of the bill

Was

*Indefinitely postponed.*

Mr. G. H. Phillips, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Green,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School Districts Nos. 94 and 154, in Sussex county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

Was read.

Mr. Todd presented sundry petitions for the passage of the act to aid internal improvements,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Wilds, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported as duly and correctly enrolled the following Senate bills, and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House, viz :

"An act to incorporate the Delaware State Fire and Marine Insurance Company ;"

"An act to further amend Chapter 11 of the Revised Code ;"

"An act to incorporate Eagle Lodge No. 36, I. O. of O. F., of Delaware ;"

"An act to incorporate Centreville Lodge No. 37, I. O. of O. F. ;

"A supplement to Chapter 372 of Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act in relation to the Collection of Taxes in this State,' passed at Dover, April 10th, 1873," and

"An act to authorize the Prothonotary of Kent county to make a certain index."

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An additional supplement to the act entitled, 'An act for the benefit of the Public Schools in Wilmington,'"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill was put upon its final passage.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill was read for the information for the House.

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Nowland, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—12.

*Nays*—Messrs. Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, Todd and Wilds—9.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill was

*Lost.*

Mr. G. H. Phillips, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred petitions for stock laws in School Districts Nos. 151 and 45, in Sussex county, reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that no such laws be passed.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional Notary Public in Dagsboro' hundred, Sussex county,"

Was read.

Mr. Frame presented a petition for a new public road in Indian River and Georgetown hundreds, in Sussex county,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. G. H. Phillips, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 162, Sussex county, Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to change the name of Hettie E. Frame to Hettie E. McColley, and for other purposes,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment,

And, on his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill entitled,

"An act protecting shore fishermen, between St. Augustine and Appoquinimink Creeks, on the Delaware River,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion,

The House adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, March 4, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Collins, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the following bills, viz :

"An act entitled 'An additional supplement to an act entitled, 'An act for the better regulation of the streets of Delaware City, and for other purposes,' passed at Dover, March 5, 1851 ;'"

"A supplement to Chapter 35, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware," and

"An act to repeal Chapter 523 of the Laws of the State of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that they pass.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following bill, to wit :

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 143, in Sussex county, Delaware ;"

"An act further to amend the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Seaford and Lewes Railroad Company,' passed at Dover, February 26, 1857," and

"An act to divide Appoquinimink hundred into two hundreds,"

And presented the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Peninsular Agricultural and Mechanical Society,"

And returned the same to the House.

He also presented, for the signature of the Speaker of the House, the following Senate bill, which had been duly and correctly enrolled and received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, to wit :

"An act to incorporate the Dover Fruit and Vegetable Preserving Company."

He also returned to the House the following House bills and joint resolution, as duly and correctly enrolled, and which had received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz :

"An act to perfect the title of the Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church of the Town of Delaware City to certain real property ;"

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 34, in New Castle county ;"

"An act to incorporate the Great Council of Delaware of Improved Order of Red Men," and

"Joint resolution rescinding the joint resolution adjourning both Houses Feb. 26th."

Mr. Collins, from the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 127, Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

On motion of Mr. Collins,

The bill entitled,

"An act entitled 'An additional supplement to an act entitled 'An act for the better regulation of the streets of Delaware City, and for other purposes,'"

Was taken up for consideration,

And read a third time, and by paragraphs.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The petition accompanying the bill and asking its passage,

Was read,

And,

On the question, " Shall this bill pass the House ?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Hanby, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—17.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill entitled,

“An act for the payment of Justices of the Peace and Constables for attendance at elections.”

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The Senate amendment to the House bill entitled,

“An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 112, Sussex county, Delaware,”

Was read a first time,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second and third time,

And

*Concurred in.*

Mr. Biggs, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the petition of the Levy Court of New Castle county, praying for the passage of an act to relieve them from keeping up a certain road in Pencader hundred, in New Castle county, reported a bill entitled,

“An act to repeal an act entitled ‘An act to make a part of a certain road in Pencader hundred, New Castle county, a charge upon said county, and for other purposes,’ ”

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.



Mr. Bird, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following House bill as duly and correctly enrolled and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House, viz :

"An act to incorporate a benevolent society in the Town of Smyrna, under the name of the Sons and Daughters of Smyrna."

He also reported, for the signature of the Speaker of the House, the following duly and correctly enrolled Senate bills and joint resolution, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz :

"An act to change the boundary of School District No. 81, New Castle county ;"

"An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 165, in Sussex county ;"

"An act entitled an act to incorporate the Laurel and Peninsular Agricultural and Mechanical Society ;"

"An act defining the duties of Justices of the Peace in cases of assault and battery ;"

"An act to amend Chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes," and

"Joint resolution authorizing Messrs. James & Webb to bind the Revised Code."

On motion of Mr. Collins,

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to Chapter 35, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 3, Chapter 57, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. Voshell, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Collins,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Diamond State Building and Loan Association of the Town of Smyrna,' passed at Dover, March 13, 1867,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Nowland, from the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to establish a Board of Education for the City of New Castle, to incorporate the same, and for other purposes,"

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

Pending the question,

Mr. Holcomb called for the reading of the accompanying papers,

Which was done,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—20.

*Nay*—Mr. Green—1.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Nowland, on behalf of the special committee to whom was recommitment the bill entitled,

“An act entitled ‘An act reducing the tax on the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company to twenty thousand dollars a year,’ ”

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

The bill was recommitment to the special committee.

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The vote by which the bill entitled,

“An additional supplement to the act entitled ‘An act for the benefit of public schools in Wilmington,’ ”

Was lost, was reconsidered

And further,

On his motion,

The bill was

*Postponed.*

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

The bill entitled,

“An act to confirm and establish a certain road leading to and across the bridge over Duck Creek at or near Fleming’s Landing,”

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the American Tin and Iron Company of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. J. W. Phillips, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Conwell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act authorizing a special election for Town Commissioners of the Town of Seaford,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the bill read a second and third time,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Bird, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Hanby,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the Recorder of Deeds in and for New Castle county to make a certain index,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Was read.

Mr. Nowland, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act entitled 'An act reducing the tax on the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company to twenty thousand dollars a year,'"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Holcomb,

The bill entitled,

"An act for the protection of mill property from ice and other freshets,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional Notary Public in Dagsboro' hundred, Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The Senate amendment to the House bill entitled,

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company,'"

Was read, as follows :

Extract from Senate Journal.

Amend the bill by adding thereto, after the word harbor, "and shall compensate the owner or owners of any land taken therefor,"

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended,

And the amendment read a second and third time

And

*Concurred in.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Lewes Creek Navigation Company,'"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—19.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

The Speaker presented a communication from the Board of Trade of the City of Wilmington in reference to the division of New Castle county,

Which was read.

On motion,

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock; P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Farmington Institute,”

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An additional supplement to the act entitled, ‘An act in relation to Oysters,’”

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the special committee on that subject.

On motion of Mr. Broadway,

The bill entitled,

“An act to amend Chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes as amended in 1874,”

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Collins,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Milford Gaslight Company,”

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

“A supplement to the act entitled, ‘An act to amend the act incorporating the Breakwater and Frankford Railroad Company, passed at Dover, March 8, 1871,’ passed at Dover, March 12, 1873,”

Was read.

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act further to amend the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Seaford and Lewes Railroad Company,' passed at Dover, February 26, 1857,"

Was read.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act concerning Corporations,'"

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

Mr. Houston, from the special committee to whom was referred the petitions of citizens of Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county, praying for the straightening of a public road in said hundred, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to authorize George Hallowell and John P. Hudson to straighten a public road upon their own land, in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county, at their own expense,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Broadaway presented a petition of 87 citizens of Kent county, praying the passage of the "Act for the Promotion of Internal Improvements,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Green presented a petition for and a remonstrance against the repeal of the stock law in Mispillion hundred, passed at Dover, April 2d, 1873,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways



Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to reincorporate the Delta Phi Literary Society of Delaware College,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—20.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. Pyle gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Schoen Spring Company ;"

Also, a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Workingmen's Savings Bank ;"

Also, a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Aid Savings Bank."

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to establish a company under the name of the Mispillion Navigation Company,' passed at Dover, February 1, 1827,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—19.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School Districts Nos. 94 and 154, in Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Kent Iron and Hardware Company, of Wilmington, Del.,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—20.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Todd, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the laying out of a public road in Milford hundred, Kent county, State of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

The bill entitled,

"An additional supplement to the act entitled, 'An act for the benefit of the Public Schools in Wilmington,'"

Was put upon its final passage,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Houston, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Voshell Wilds and Mr. Speaker—14.

*Nays*—Messrs. Learned and McNeal—2.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,  
*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

The bill entitled,

“An act to authorize the several Levy Courts to employ certain convicts at labor;”

Was taken up and read for the information of the House,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill was put upon its final passage,

And,

On the question, “Shall this bill pass the House?”

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Frame, Learned, McNeal, Nowland, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell and Wilds—10.

*Nays*—Messrs. Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Green, Houston, Lambden, G. H. Phillips, Todd and Mr. Speaker—10.

So the bill, having failed to receive the required majority,

Was *Lost.*

On motion of Mr. Collins,

The bill entitled,

“An act to amend Chapter 127, Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware;”

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

Pending the question, “Shall this bill pass the House?”

Mr. Collins moved that the further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Whereupon,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Biggs, Collins, Hanby, Learned, McNeal, Todd, Voshell and Wilds—8.

*Nays*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Broadaway, Conwell, Frame, Green, Houston, Lambden, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle and Mr. Speaker—13.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

*Lost.*

The question recurring on the passage of the bill,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Broadaway, Conwell, Frame, Green, Houston, Lambden, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle and Mr. Speaker—13.

*Nays*—Messrs. Biggs, Collins, Hanby, Learned, McNeal, Todd, Voshell and Wilds—8.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.*

Mr. Green presented a petition for and a remonstrance against the repeal of the stock law in South Murderkill hundred, Kent county,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Bird moved that the bill entitled,

“An act protecting shore fishermen, between St. Augustine and Appoquinimink Creeks, on the Delaware River,”

Be taken up for consideration,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

Mr. Bird moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed,

Whereupon,

On the question, " Shall the bill be indefinitely postponed ?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Biggs, Bird, Conwell, Green, Hanby, Houston, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle and Todd—13.

*Nays*—Messrs. Baldwin, Broadway, Collins, Frame, Learned, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—8.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill was

*Indefinitely postponed.*

Mr. Houston gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to prevent live stock from running at large in certain districts in Sussex county, Nos. 125, 171, 66, 92, 77½ and 78."

Mr. Nowland, from the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act uniting the School Districts of Dover,"

Reported the same back to the House,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The vote by which Section 4 was amended, was reconsidered.

Mr. Nowland then asked unanimous consent to withdraw the amendment.

There being no objection, the amendment was withdrawn.

Mr. Nowland offered the following amendment to Section 4 :

Strike out the words "have power" in the first line of said section.

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and

*Adopted.*

Mr. Nowland moved that the bill be made the special order for to-morrow at 10 o'clock,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill be made the special order for to-morrow at 10 o'clock?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Conwell, Frame, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—18.

*Nays*—Messrs. Collins, Green and J. W. Phillips—3.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill was made the special order for to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act in relation to making a general index to the will records in the Register's office in Sussex county,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to divide Appoquinimink hundred into two hundreds,"

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

The papers accompanying the bill were read.

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

Rule 12 was suspended,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill entitled,

"An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to make a part of a certain public road in Pencader hundred, New Castle county, a charge upon said county, and for other purposes,'"

Was read a second time.

Mr. Biggs moved

That the bill entitled,

"An act entitled an act reducing the tax on the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company to twenty thousand dollars a year,"

Be made the special order for Wednesday, the 10th inst.,

• Which motion

*Prevailed.*

Mr. Frame moved that the House adjourn till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

There being a division,

And,

On the question, "Shall the House now adjourn?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Broadaway, Conwell, Frame, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—9.

*Nays*—Messrs. Biggs, Collins, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, Todd and Wilds—11.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

*Lost.*

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill entitled,

"An act in relation to Free Schools in this State,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Pending the consideration of the bill,

Mr. Wilds moved that the House do now adjourn,

Which motion was

*Lost.*



On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill under consideration was read for information.

Mr. Bird offered an amendment.

Pending the reading of the amendment,

The House adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, March 5, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 23, Chapter 8, Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act further to amend the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Seaford and Lewes Railroad Company,' passed at Dover, February 26, 1867,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The special order, being the Senate bill entitled,

"An act uniting the School Districts of Dover,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Nowland presented a communication in favor of the bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Houston presented a communication against the passage of the bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Nowland presented four letters from remonstrants withdrawing their opposition to the bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read.

Mr. Houston offered an amendment, adding an additional section to the bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Nowland moved that the amendment be laid on the table,

Which motion

*Prevailed,*

And the amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House bills, viz :

"An act to incorporate the Delaware City and New Castle Railroad Company ;"

"An act to prohibit stock from running at large within United School Districts Nos. 44 and 150, in Sussex county ;"

"An act to authorize the laying out of a public road in Duck Creek hundred, Kent county, State of Delaware ;"

"An act to incorporate the Delaware City Mutual Life Insurance Company," and

"An act to incorporate the Delaware City Public Schools, and for other purposes,"

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following bills, viz :

"An act for the relief of United School Districts Nos. 39 and 41, in New Castle county ;"

"A supplement to the act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Pokomoke River Improvement Company,' passed at Dover, March 22, 1867 ;"

"An act to incorporate the Drawbridge Packing Company," and

"An act to authorize David W. Ralph to change a public road on his own lands."

Mr. Nowland presented a communication from Charles Brown, in relation to the bill entitled,

"An act uniting the School Districts of Dover,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Houston moved to lay the bill on the table,

Which motion was

*Lost.*

The question recurring on the passage of the bill,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Learned, McNeal, Nowland, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—16.

*Nays*—Messrs. Hanby, Houston, Learned and G. H. Phillips—4.

So the bill, having received a majority of the votes cast,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. Collins, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 23, Chapter 8, Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Rule 12 was suspended

And the bill read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Conwell offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That when the House adjourns it will stand adjourned until Monday next, at 3 o'clock, P. M.,

Which was read and

*Adopted.*

Mr. Bird, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported as duly and correctly enrolled the following House and Senate bills and joint resolution, and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House, viz :

"An act to incorporate the Dover Fruit and Vegetable Preserving Company ;"

"An act to authorize the Trustees of the Methodist Protestant Church in Seaford to sell and convey a building lot and premises in the Town of Seaford ;"

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 91, in Sussex county, Delaware ;"

"An act in relation to permanent leasehold estates ;"

"An act in relation to the service of process on Foreign Insurance Companies ;"

"An act to incorporate the McDonnel Encampment of Patriarchs, No. 2, I. O. of O. F., of the State of Delaware," and

"Joint resolution concerning the Historical Papers of Hon. Wm. G. Whiteley upon the Revolutionary Soldiers of Delaware."

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to amend the act incorporating the Breakwater and Frankford Railroad Company, passed at Dover, March 8, 1871,' passed at Dover, March 12, 1873,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Todd gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act in relation to posting notices at the Court House door, in Kent county."

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The bill entitled,

"An act to repeal an act entitled, 'An act to make a part of a certain road in Pencader hundred, New Castle county, a charge upon said county, and for other purposes,'"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Wilds presented a remonstrance of citizens of Kenton hundred against the passage of a stock law for Kenton hundred, Kent county,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Green gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to provide for the drainage of lands by private parties, and for other purposes."

Mr. Pyle gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act concerning Notaries Public in Wilmington hundred."

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Schoen Spring Company,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

Mr. Biggs presented a communication from Mr. Edward Tatnall, and moved that it be read,

Pending the reading of the communication,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The further consideration of Mr. Tatnall's claim

Was

*Indefinitely postponed.*

On motion,

The House adjourned until Monday next, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

MONDAY, March 8, 1875—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Drawbridge Packing Company,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

• "An act to authorize the Recorder of Deeds of New Castle county to make a certain index,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House bills, viz :

"An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in all that part of School District No. 149, in Sussex county, which lies in Nanticoke hundred," and

"An act authorizing the appointment of an additional Justice of the Peace in Kent county,"

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House bill entitled,

"An act to make personal property liable to taxation for school purposes in the school district in which it is situated,"

With an amendment, and returned the same to the House for concurrence therein.

Mr. G. H. Phillips, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 3, in Sussex county,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration, read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The Senate amendment to the House bill entitled,

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Georgetown and Delmar Railroad Company,' passed at Dover, March 30, 1871,"

Was read, as follows :

Extract from Senate Journal.

Amend the bill first by inserting as Section 2 :

*"And be it further enacted as aforesaid, That Section 10 of the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Georgetown and Delmar Railroad Company, passed at Dover, February 16, 1871,' be and the same is hereby amended by inserting after 'route,' in the eighth line of said Section 10, the following words, to wit: 'to a point on the east side of the Town of Laurel, in Sussex county, and in one-mile of the Methodist Episcopal church in said Town of Laurel, and thence'—"*

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had adopted and requested the concurrence of the House in a joint resolution to receive no new business after Friday, the 12th inst., and presented the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate joint resolution to receive no new business after Friday next,

Was read and

*Concurred in.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the joint resolution returned to that body.

Mr. Nowland presented the petition of Manlove D. Wilson and others, praying the passage of a bill to compel justices of the peace to give bond for the faithful performance of their duty,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Todd,

The bill entitled,



"An act to change the name of High Street, in the the Town of Dover,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 128 of the Revised Code,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The Senate amendments were read as follows :

Extract from Senate Journal.

Amendment No. 1. Amend Section 1 by adding the word "and" between the word "therefrom" and the word "if" in the 21st line of said section. And further amend said first section of the bill by adding the words "and not to trespass" between the word "of" and the word "for" in the 36th line of said section.

Amendment No. 2. Amend the bill by adding the following as a new section :

"SECTION 3. In case of the ownership of any ways, lands or premises being called into question in proceedings under this act, or in case of it being claimed that any such ways, lands or premises are not private property, the oath or affirmation of the complainant shall be received in evidence of such ownership."

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended,

And the amendments read a second and third time

And

*Concurred in,*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 353 of Volume 14 of the Laws of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act in relation to the lien of taxes,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Bird, from the special committee to whom was referred the petition of Jonathan Pratt, chairman of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Poor for the several counties in this State, praying for the erection of an asylum for the insane, and also a copy of a report of a committee of said trustees, reported the same back to the House with the report that the committee deem it inexpedient at the present time, owing to the financial condition of the State, to legislate on the subject,

And moved that the subject be postponed,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

Mr. Pyle presented the petition of W. E. Bruce and 174 others, praying for a more liberal liquor law,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the special committee on Moral Reform.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill entitled,

"An act to increase the compensation of the members of the General Assembly of the State of Delaware and to limit the duration of their sessions,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Houston offered an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time

And

*Adopted,*

And, on his further motion,

The further consideration of the bill was postponed until to-morrow morning.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to authorize Joseph B. Morris to erect a gate across a public road in Indian River hundred, Sussex county."

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The bill entitled,

"An act making personal property liable to taxation for school purposes, in the school district in which it is situated,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The Senate amendment to the bill was read, as follows :

Extract from Senate Journal.

Amend the bill by adding thereto the following words : "*Provided* that no property shall be assessed for school purposes under the provisions of this act except such personal property as under the previous law could be assessed for school purposes."

Mr. Wilds offered an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the amendment by striking out the words " the bill " and insert in lieu thereof " Section 2."

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The amendment to the amendment was *Adopted,*

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the Senate amendment, as amended, was read a second and third time

And *Concurred in.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof, the bill returned to that body and its concurrence in the House amendment to the Senate amendment requested.

Mr. Pyle moved

That the vote by which the claim of Edward Tatnall against New Castle county was indefinitely postponed, be reconsidered.

Pending the motion,

Mr. Biggs presented a joint resolution from the Levy Court of New Castle county on the subject,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

The question recurring on the motion to reconsider the vote by which it was indefinitely postponed,

It was decided in the negative,

And the motion to reconsider was *Lost.*

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to authorize David W. Ralph to change a public road on his own lands,"

Was read.

Mr. Holcomb gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Seminole Tribe, No. 7, Improved Order of Red Men, of the State of Delaware."

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The Senate bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Pokomoke River Improvement Company,' passed at Dover, March 22, 1867,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to divide Appoquinimink hundred into two hundreds,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to a special committee of five members from New Castle county.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Nowland, Baldwin, Biggs, Hanby and Bird were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill entitled,

"An act for the payment of Justices of the Peace and Constables for attendance at elections,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Todd, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act in relation to posting notices at the Court House door, in Kent county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Todd,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the bill read a second and third times.

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An additional supplement to the act in relation to the Town of Dover,' "

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Pyle gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act for the renewal of the charter of the Home for Aged Women,"

Also, a bill entitled,

"An act to further amend the charter of the City of Wilmington,"

Also, a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 73 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled 'Of the City of Wilmington.' "

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Workingmen's Savings Bank,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

Mr. Nowland gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Middletown Gaslight Company."

Mr. G. H. Phillips, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School Districts Nos. 94 and 154, in Sussex county,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The petition asking for and the remonstrance against the bill were read, and

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The bill was postponed until Friday morning, the 12th inst.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Aid Savings Bank,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

Mr. Biggs, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 44, New Castle county,"

Reported the same back to the House,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill under consideration was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Delaware State Mutual Fire Insurance Company,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Broadway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 60, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize George Hallowell and John P. Hudson to straighten a public road upon their own land, in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county, at their own expense,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Schoen Spring Company,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of United School Districts Nos. 39 and 41, in New Castle county,"

Was read.

On motion,

The House adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.



TUESDAY, March 9, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The petition of Martha W. Ellis, praying for a divorce from her husband, was taken up for consideration and recommitted to the Committee on Divorces.

Mr. Learned gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act entitled an act in relation to Free Schools in this State."

Mr. J. W. Phillips gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act authorizing and requiring the School Committee of School District No. 72, in Sussex county, to raise one hundred and fifty dollars annually for school purposes."

Mr. Bird, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following enrolled Senate bills and joint resolution as duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House, viz :

"An act to incorporate the Old Dominion Steamship Company ;"

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large on the highways in School District No. 79, in New Castle county ;"

"An act to authorize Phillip Short of S. to straighten a certain public road in Dagsboro' hundred, Sussex county," and

"Joint resolution directing the State Treasurer to pay Joseph P. Comegys, William G. Whiteley and E. L. Martin each five hundred dollars."

Mr. Bird, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following enrolled House bills as duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House, viz :

"An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in all that part of School District No. 149, in Sussex county, which lies in Nanticoke hundred ;"

"An act to incorporate the Peninsular Agricultural and Mechanical Society ;"

"An act to incorporate the Delaware City and New Castle Railroad Company," and

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company.'"

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House bill entitled,

"An act in relation to the Road Commissioners in St. George's hundred, New Castle county,"

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House bill entitled,

"An act to consolidate School Districts Nos. 70 and 102, in Sussex county,"

With an amendment, and returned the same to the House with the request that the amendment be concurred in.

He also presented, for the signature of the Speaker of the House, the following Senate bills and joint resolution, which had been duly and correctly enrolled and received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, to wit :

"An act to incorporate the Lebanon Hall Company ;"

"An act transferring certain real estate belonging to Lorenzo D. Ginn from School District No. 81 to School District No. 72, in New Castle county ;"

"An act authorizing a change in the course of a public road in Cedar Creek hundred, in Sussex county ;"

"An act concerning a road in Milford hundred, Kent county ;"

"An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Riddle Fund for the benefit of the superannuated preachers of the Wilmington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church ;"

"An act relating to arrests in civil cases ;"

"An act to incorporate Good Samaritan Lodge, No. 9, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of the State of Delaware, at Middletown," and

"Joint resolution directing the State Treasurer to pay certain moneys as counsel fees."

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act with respect to proof of handwriting,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The Senate amendment thereto was read,

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended

And the amendment read a second and third time

And

*Non-concurred in.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Pyle gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled 'An act to exempt from execution or attachment process certain articles of personal property.'"

Mr. Nowland presented a claim of Edward Reynolds against the State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims, without reading.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The Senate amendment to the House bill entitled,

"An act to consolidate School Districts Nos. 70 and 102, in Sussex county,"

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended,

And the amendment read a second and third times

And

*Non-concurred in.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act for the renewal of the Charter of the Home for Aged Women,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to further amend the charter of the City of Wilmington,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

Mr. Pyle presented a petition for and a remonstrance against the repeal of the Mechanics' Lien Law,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Drawbridge Packing Company,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 73 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled 'Of the City of Wilmington.'"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Workingmen's Savings Bank,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Aid Savings Bank,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of United School Districts Nos. 39 and 41, in New Castle county,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

The Speaker, by request of Mr. Collins, asked leave of absence for one day.

There being no objection, leave was granted.

Mr. Bird, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported as duly and correctly enrolled the following House bills, and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House, viz :

"An act for the Protection of Muskrats;"

"An additional supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to limit the city debt of Wilmington and to provide for the discharge thereof;'"

"An act to enable Joseph McDaniel, Jr., to survey and locate certain salt marsh therein named and complete his title to the same;"

"An act to prevent live stock from running at large in School Districts Nos. 25, 27 and 28, in New Castle county;"

"An act to incorporate Pocahontas Tent, No. 9, Daughters of the Forest;"

"An act to incorporate Union American Circle of Friendship, located in Delaware," and

"A further supplement to an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Delaware Fire Insurance Company.'"

Mr. Holcomb, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Seminole Tribe, No. 7, Improved Order of Red Men, of the State of Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Holcomb,

Was read.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Tasker Telegraph Company,"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time.

And

*Adopted,*

And, on his further motion,

The bill, as amended, was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadway, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—18.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Samuel S. Hearn and Georgiana Hearn from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The accompanying papers were read,

And, on his further motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Nowland, from the special committee to whom was referred the petition of Isaac G. Phillips and others, in relation to floating seines in the waters of Broad Creek, Sussex county, reported the same back to the House without a bill.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to authorize David W. Ralph to change a public road on his own lands,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The Senate bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Pokomoke River Improvement Company,' passed at Dover, March 22, 1867,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Houston presented a petition of Mary Johnson, praying for the passage of an act divorcing her from her husband, George W. Johnson,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Divorces.

Mr. Nowland presented a petition of Elizabeth Rudolph, praying for the passage of an act divorcing her from her husband, Ferdinand Rudolph,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Divorces.

Mr. Houston, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to revive, re-enact and continue in force the original and all supplementary acts for the incorporation of the Jamison Branch Ditch Company,"



Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was read,

And, on his further motion,

The amendment was read a second time and *Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill, as amended, was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—19.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Emma A. Walker from her husband, Henry Walker,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Esplendor Mining Company,"

Was taken up for consideration.

And further,

On his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, " Shall this bill pass the House ?"

The yeas and nays were ordered;

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Conwell, Frame, Hanby, Houston, Lambden, J. W. Phillips, Pyle and Mr. Speaker—10.

*Nays*—Messrs. Biggs, Green, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, Todd, Voshell and Wilds—8.

So the bill, having failed to receive the required majority,

Was

*Lost.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. Todd gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act entitled 'An act to make taxes a first lien on real and personal property for two years.'"

Mr. Wilds, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following House bills as duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House, viz :

"An act to incorporate the City of New Castle ;"

"An act to prohibit stock from running at large in United School Districts Nos. 44 and 150, in Sussex county ;"

"An act to prevent stock from running at large in School Districts Nos. 16 and 124, in Sussex county ;"

"An act to incorporate the Delaware City Mutual Life Insurance Company ;"

"An act for the extension of the boundaries of Red Lion hundred, New Castle county ;"

"An act authorizing the appointment of an additional Justice of the Peace in Kent county ;"

"An act to authorize the laying out of a public road in Duck Creek hundred, Kent county, State of Delaware," and

"An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 112, Sussex county, Delaware."

Mr. Baldwin, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following House bills as duly and correctly enrolled and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker, viz :

"An act to enable Isaac Gooden to change a certain public road in Dover hundred, Kent county, Delaware ;"

"An act providing for the payment of funeral expenses, medical, nursing and necessary bills at last sickness, in certain cases ;"

"An act to incorporate Delaware City Public Schools, and for other purposes," and

"An act to incorporate the Bellevue Quarry Company."

On motion,

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Nowland gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 36 of Volume 12 of the Laws of Delaware."

Mr. Broadaway gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Camden Union Camp Ground, in Kent county, Delaware,' passed at Dover, February 3, 1859."

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An additional supplement to the act entitled 'An act in relation to Oysters,'"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Learned offered an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the bill as follows : At the end of Section 3 add these words : " The form of proceeding mentioned in this section may be used in any case of breach of the provisions of this act or of the original act and its other supplements, adapting it to the nature of the offence."

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended,

And the amendment read a second time

And

*Adopted.*

Mr. Learned offered a further amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the bill as follows, to wit : First, by striking out all of Section 13, and numbering the section following said Section 13, as 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 consecutively.

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended,

The amendment read a second time

And

*Adopted.*

And, on his further motion,

The bill, as amended, was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Farmington Institute,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration and read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker  
—20.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. Broadaway gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to revive and re-enact the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Little Creek Landing Canning Company,' passed at Dover, April 3, 1873."

Mr. Nowland, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to divide Appoquinimink hundred into two hundreds,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill just reported was read a third time, and by paragraphs.

Pending its passage,

Mr. Biggs called for the reading of the petitions asking for the passage of the bill.

The petitions having been read,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to amend the act incorporating the Breakwater and Frankford Railroad Company, passed at Dover, March 8, 1871,' passed at Dover, March 12, 1873,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration and read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—20.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. Collins presented the petition of Ann E. Davis, praying for the passage of a bill divorcing her from her husband, Robert Davis.

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Divorces.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the American Tin and Iron Company of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration and read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—19.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. J. W. Phillips moved that a Conference Committee, consisting of three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, be appointed on the disagreement of the vote on the bill entitled,

"An act to consolidate School Districts Nos. 70 and 102, in Sussex county,"

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

Whereupon,

Messrs. J. W. Phillips, Houston and Frame were appointed said committee on the part of House.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act in relation to making a general index to the will records in the Register's office in Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title.

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended

And the bill read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Maranda A. Taylor and William H. H. Taylor from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Green presented a petition in relation to the draw-bridge at Little Creek Landing,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways,

Mr. Collins, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Diamond State Building and Loan Association of the Town of Smyrna,' passed at Dover, March 13, 1867,"



Reported the same back to the House without amendment,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill under consideration was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, " Shall this bill pass the House ?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—19.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize George Hallowell and John P. Hudson to straighten a public road, upon their own land, in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county, at their own expense,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs.

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. J. W. Phillips moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the bill entitled,

"An act in relation to Free Schools in this State."

Mr. Learned moved that the bill just named be made a special order for Monday next.

Mr. Wilds moved that the bill referred to be postponed until to-morrow,

Which motion was

*Lost.*

The question recurring on the motion of Mr. Learned,

It was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

*Lost,*

And,

On the question, "Shall the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole?"

Mr. Hanby called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Biggs, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Houston, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—14.

*Nays*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Green, Hanby, Learned and Wilds—6.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole,

Mr. Pyle in the Chair.

After some time spent therein the Committee rose.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, March 10, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Broadaway, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to revive and re-enact the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Little Creek Canning Company,' passed at Dover, April 3, 1873,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following bills, viz :

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 77½, in Sussex county," and

"An act authorizing the Levy Courts of the several counties in this State to adopt measures for the destruction of hawks and owls,"

And presented the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House bills, viz :

"An act to incorporate the Bridgeville Agricultural and Mechanical Society, Sussex county;"

"An act to establish a Board of Education for the Town of Lewes and to incorporate the same, and for other purposes ;"

"An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 162, Sussex county, Delaware ;"

"An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 105, Sussex county ;"

"An act to incorporate the Pioneer Club Stables, of Wilmington, Delaware ;"

"A supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Town of Wyoming, and for other purposes,' passed at Dover, March 10, 1869," and

"An act to change the name of Hettie E. Frame to Hettie E. McColley, and for other purposes,"

And returned the same to the House.

He also returned to the House the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Benedictine Institute of the City of Wilmington,"

With the information that the same had been concurred in, with an amendment, by the Senate, and requested the concurrence of the House in the Senate amendment.

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the House bill entitled,

"An act to make personal property liable to taxation for school purposes in the school district in which it is situated."

He also presented, for the signature of the Speaker of the House, the following duly and correctly enrolled Senate bills, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz :

"An act to amend Section 3, Chapter 57, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware ;"

"An act to reincorporate the Delta Phi Literary Society of Delaware College ;"

"An act to authorize the laying out of a public road in Milford hundred, Kent county, State of Delaware ;"

"An act to incorporate the Kent Iron and Hardware Company, of Wilmington, Del.," and

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to establish a company under the name of the Mispillion Navigation Company,' passed at Dover, February 1, 1872."

He also returned to the House the following enrolled House bills and joint resolution, which had received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz :

"An act to authorize Henry Todd, the present Register in Chancery and Clerk of the Orphans' Court of Kent county, to transcribe or copy into a suitable book the index to the recognizances in said courts ;"

"An act to incorporate the McDonnel Encampment of Patriarchs, No. 2, I. O. of O. F., of the State of Delaware ;"

"An act entitled an act to prevent live stock from running at large in School Districts No. 91, in Sussex county, Del. ;"

"An act to authorize the Trustees of the Methodist Protestant Church in Seaford to sell and convey a building lot and premises in the Town of Seaford ;"

"An act to incorporate a beneficial society in the Town of Smyrna, under the name of the Sons and Daughters of Smyrna ;"

"An act in relation to the service of process on Foreign Insurance Companies ;"

"An act in relation to permanent leasehold estates ;" and

"Joint resolution concerning the Historical Papers of Hon. Wm. G. Whiteley upon the Revolutionary Soldiers of Delaware."

Mr. J. W. Phillips, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Conwell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act authorizing and requiring the School Committee of School District No. 72, in Sussex county, to raise one hundred and fifty dollars annually for school purposes,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended

And the bill read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. J. W. Phillips presented a petition asking for the passage of the bill just referred to the Committee on Education,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Learned in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Frame,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act entitled 'An act in relation to Free Schools in this State,' "

Which,

On motion of Mr. Learned,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended

And the bill read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Wilds, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported as duly and correctly enrolled the Senate bill entitled,

"An act in relation to making a general index to the will records in the Register's office in Sussex county."

Mr. Bird gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend the act entitled 'An act to amend an act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, marsh and cripple

on Cedar Creek, in Red Lion hundred, in the county of New Castle, to erect a new bank in part, and to keep the residue of the old bank, sluices and flood gates in repair, and to raise a fund to defray the expense thereof, private act, passed March 13, 1873."

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The vote by which the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Esplendor Mining Company,"

Was lost, was reconsidered.

The question recurring on the passage of the bill,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Broadaway, Conwell, Frame, Hanby, Houston, Lambden, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—14.

*Nays*—Messrs. Biggs, Collins, Green, Learned, Nowland and Wilds—6.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Benedictine Institute of the City of Wilmington,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The Senate amendment to the bill was read, as follows :

Extract from Senate Journal, March 9, 1875.

Amend Section 3 by striking out the word "public" and inserting the word "private."

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended

And the amendment was read a second and third time

And

*Concurred in*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Nowland, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 36 of Volume 12 of the Laws of the State of Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

Was read.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to exempt from execution or attachment process certain articles of personal property,' passed at Dover, April 10, 1873,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

Mr. Broadaway gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 371, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware."

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 578, Volume 11 of the Laws of Delaware,"



And presented the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 578, Volume 11 of the Laws of Delaware,"

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to aid the Wilmington and Western Railroad Company to complete their railroad,"

Reported the same back to the House without any recommendation.

Mr. Pyle asked unanimous consent of the House to withdraw the bill,

There being no objection, the bill was withdrawn.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act for the Promotion of Internal Improvements,"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was read,

Mr. Houston moved that Rule 12 be suspended in order to read the amendment a second time.

Mr. Nowland called for the yeas and nays on suspending the rule, Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Voshell and Wilds—13.

*Nays*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Hanby, Nowland, Pyle, Todd and Mr. Speaker—8.

So, two-thirds not voting in the affirmative,

The motion was

*Lost.*

Mr. Pyle moved that 500 copies of the bill under consideration be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Hanby called for the yeas and nays on the question,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Green, Hanby, Nowland, Pyle and Mr. Speaker—8.

*Nays*—Messrs. Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Todd, Voshell and Wilds—13.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

*Lost.*

On motion,

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Seminole Tribe, No. 7, Improved Order of Red Men, of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act authorizing the Levy Courts of the several counties in this State to adopt measures for the destruction of hawks and owls,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 77 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Sussex county,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 143, in Sussex county, Delaware,"

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

The petition accompanying the bill was read.

Mr. G. H. Phillips presented a remonstrance against the bill,

Which,

On his motion,  
Was read.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,  
The bill entitled,

"An act for the renewal of the Charter of the Home for Aged Women,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,  
The bill entitled,

"An act to further amend the charter of the City of Wilmington,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,  
The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 73 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled 'Of the City of Wilmington,'"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Bird gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act for the Protection of Inn-keepers, and for other purposes."

On motion of Mr. Wilds,  
The bill entitled,

"An act to straighten a certain public road therein mentioned, in Kent county, near Pierson's Corner,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,  
Asked,  
And,  
On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,  
 "An act concerning Notaries Public in Wilmington hundred,"  
 Which,  
 On motion of Mr. Pyle,  
 Was read.

Mr. Houston gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act in relation to making the assessments in Sussex county."

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Hanby,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 125 of the Revised Statutes,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The bill entitled,

"An act to lay out a new public road in Kenton hundred, Kent county,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Conwell, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Elizabeth Rudolff, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Elizabeth Rudolff and Ferdinand Rudolff from the bonds of matrimony,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Emma A. Walker from her husband, Henry Walker,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The petition accompanying the bill was read,

And, on his further motion,

The bill under consideration was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

Mr. Bird called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips and Voshell—13.

*Nays*—Messrs. Biggs, Green, Nowland, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—9.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Broadaway, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Green,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Camden Union Camp Ground, in Kent county, Delaware,' passed at Dover, February 3, 1859."

Which,

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

Was read.

Mr. Houston gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to change the lands of John A. Nicholson, George W. S. Nicholson, Henry Q. Nicholson and L. W. Muse from School District No. 76 to School District No. 72, Sussex county."

Mr. Nowland offered a joint resolution adjourning both Houses *sine die* on Saturday, March 20th,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and

*Adopted.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Conwell, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Martha W. Ellis for a divorce, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce John A. Ellis and Martha W. Ellis, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Biggs, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens for a new road in Nanticoke hundred, Sussex county, reported the same back to the House.

Mr. Biggs moved that the further consideration of the petition be indefinitely postponed,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

Mr. Pyle gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors."

Mr. Baldwin gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 418, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, passed at Dover, April 10, 1873."

Mr. Pyle moved that the House adjourn,

Which motion was

*Lost.*

Mr. Conwell, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Ann E. Davis for an act to divorce her from her husband, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Ann E. Davis and Robert Davis from the bonds of matrimony,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

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On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to repeal Chapter 523 of the Laws of the State of Delaware,"

Was read.

On motion,

The House adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, March 11, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,



"An act regulating the sale of Intoxicating Liquors,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The Clerk was instructed to have printed for the use of the House 300 copies of the bill entitled,

"An act regulating the sale of Intoxicating Liquors."

Mr. Holcomb gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 74 of the Revised Statutes."

Mr. Bird, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Hanby,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend the act entitled 'An act to amend an act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, marsh and cripple on Cedar Creek, in Red Lion hundred, in the county of New Castle, to erect a new bank in part, and to keep the residue of the old bank, sluices and flood gates in repair, and to raise a fund to defray the expense thereof,' private act, passed March 13, 1873,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended,

And the bill read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"An act authorizing and requiring the School Committee of School District No. 72, in Sussex county, to raise one hundred and fifty dollars annually for school purposes,"

Was taken up for consideration, read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Camden Union Camp Ground, in Kent county, Delaware,' passed at Dover, February 3, 1859,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Broadaway, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 371, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill entitled,

"An act for the Promotion of Internal Improvements,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his motion,

The amendment to the bill reported by the committee was read a second time and recommitted to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House bills, viz :

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Town of Lewes, and for other purposes,' passed at Dover, March 2, 1871 ;"

"An act authorizing a special election for Town Commissioners of the Town of Seaford ;"

"An act to amend Section 23, Chapter 8, Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware ;"

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Lewes Creek Navigation Company ;"

"An act in relation to posting notices at the Court House door, in Kent county ;"

"An act to annex for school purposes, School District No. 19, in New Castle county, to the City of Wilmington," and

"An act to establish a Board of Education for the City of New Castle, to incorporate the same, and for other purposes."

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House bills entitled,

"An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to make a part of a certain public road in Pencader hundred, New Castle county, a charge upon said county, and for other purposes,' " and

"An act to amend Chapter 12 of the Revised Code, as published in the Code of 1874, entitled 'Of Collectors,' "

With amendments, and returned the same to the House with the request that the amendments be concurred in.

He also informed the House that the Senate adhered to its amendment to the House bill entitled,

"An act to consolidate School Districts Nos. 70 and 102, in Sussex county."

He also informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following bills, viz :

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 117, Sussex county ;"

"An act transferring the house and premises of Cyrus P. Rogers from School District No. 110, in Kent county, to United School Districts Nos. 32, 75, 76 and 78, in Kent county," and

"An act to further amend Chapter 99 of the Revised Statutes,"

And presented the same to the House.

He also returned to the House the following enrolled House bills, which had received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz :

"A further supplement to an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Delaware Fire Insurance Company;'"

"An act to incorporate Union American Circle of Friendship, located in Delaware ;"

"An act to enable Joseph McDaniel, Jr., to survey and locate certain salt marsh therein named and complete his title to the same ;"

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company.'"

"An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in all that part of School District No. 149, in Sussex county, which lies in Nanticoke hundred ;"

"An act to prevent live stock from running at large in School Districts Nos. 25, 27 and 28, in New Castle county," and

"An act for the Protection of Muskrats."

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House amendment to the Senate bill entitled,

"An additional supplement to the act entitled 'An act in relation to Oysters.'"

Mr. Learned gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to lay out a new public road in Dover hundred, Kent county."

Mr. Biggs offered a resolution,

Which was read, as follows :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Corporations be instructed to have printed 300 copies of the bill entitled, "An act to aid Internal Improvements of the State."

Mr. Nowland moved that the resolution be adopted.

Whereupon,

Mr. Houston called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Collins, Conwell, Green, Hanby, Nowland, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—13.

*Nays*—Messrs. Broadaway, Frame, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips and Wilds—8.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the resolution was

*Adopted.*

Mr. Collins, from the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the following bills, viz :

“An act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional Notary Public in Dagsboro’ hundred, Sussex county ;”

“An act to amend Chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes as amended in 1874 ;”

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘A supplement to Chapter 104 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware ;’”

“An act in relation to the lien of taxes ;”

“An act to amend Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes,” and

“An act to amend Chapter 353 of Volume 14 of the Laws of Delaware,”

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that they pass.

He also reported back the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 60, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,”

With the recommendation that it do not pass.

He also reported back the House bill entitled,

“An act for the protection of mill property from ice and other freshets,”

With an amendment, and,

On motion of Mr. Collins,

The amendment was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time

And

*Adopted,*

And, on his further motion,

The further consideration of the bill was postponed.

Mr. Bird gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 60, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, as published in the Code of 1874."

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 36 of Volume 12 of the Laws of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Todd, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to make taxes a first lien on real and personal property for two years,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Todd,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to repeal Chapter 523 of the Laws of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Bird, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following enrolled House bills as duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House, viz :

"An act to change the name of Hettie E. Frame to Hettie E. McColley, and for other purposes ;"

"A supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Town of Wyoming, and for other purposes,' passed at Dover, March 10, 1869 ;"

"An act in relation to the Road Commissioners in St. George's hundred, in New Castle county ;"

"An act to incorporate the Pioneer Club Stables, of Wilmington, Delaware," and

"An act to establish a Board of Education for the Town of Lewes and to incorporate the same, and for other purposes."

On motion of Mr. Todd,

The bill entitled,

"An act to change the name of High Street, in the Town of Dover,"

Was taken up for consideration, read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, " Shall this bill pass the House ?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—19.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. J. W. Phillips offered a resolution,

Which was read. as follows :

*Resolved by the House*, That the Clerk be instructed to ask the Senate to return to the House the joint resolution adjourning both Houses *sine die* on the 20th inst.

Mr. J. W. Phillips moved the adoption of the resolution.

Whereupon,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Broadway, Conwell, Frame, Green, Houston, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Todd and Voshell—13.

*Nays*—Messrs. Biggs, Bird, Collins, Pyle, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—6.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the resolution was

*Adopted.*

On motion,

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Broadway gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act in relation to public roads in Kent county, Delaware."

On motion of Mr. Holcomb,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend an act entitled 'A supplement to Chapter 104 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,' "



Was taken up for consideration,  
 Read a third time, and by paragraphs,  
 And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. J. W. Phillips moved that a Conference Committee, consisting of three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate; be appointed on the disagreement of the two Houses on the bill entitled,

"An act to consolidate School Districts Nos. 70 and 102, in Sussex county,"

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

Whereupon,

Messrs. J. W. Phillips, Conwell and Frame were appointed said committee on the part of the House.

Mr. Nowland, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Middletown Gaslight Company, at Middletown, Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

Was read.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, returned to the House the following House bills, which had received the concurrence of the Senate, viz :

"An act to incorporate the American Tin and Iron Company of Delaware;"

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Diamond State Building and Loan Association of the Town of Smyrna,' passed at Dover, March 13, 1867," and

"An act to revive, re-enact and continue in force the original and all supplementary acts for the incorporation of the Jamison Branch Ditch Company."

He also informed the House that the Senate had adopted and requested the concurrence of the House in a

"Joint resolution in relation to the distribution and sale of the remaining copies of the amended Code,"

And presented the same to the House.

He also returned to the House the following enrolled House bill, which had received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz :

"An act to incorporate the City of New Castle."

He, also, in compliance with the request of the House, returned the House joint resolution adjourning both Houses *sine die* on Saturday, the 20th inst.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The joint resolution just returned to the House was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 99 of the Revised Statutes,"

Was read.

Mr. Holcomb gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to prevent obstructions in the Delaware River;"

Also, a bill entitled,

"An act for the Protection of the Harbor of New Castle."

Mr. Nowland gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Town of Odessa.'"

Mr. Houston, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapters 17, 18, 8, 10 and 11 of the Revised Statutes, and Chapter 22, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, as published in the Revised Code of 1852, as amended, &c., in 1874, for the purpose of dividing Sussex county into three Assessment Districts, and to provide for the election of only three Assessors in said county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Houston,

Was read.

Mr. Baldwin, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 418, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Was read.

Mr. Pyle presented a memorial of citizens of Wilmington against the passage of an act dividing New Castle county,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. G. H. Phillips, from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to confirm and establish a certain road leading to and across the bridge over Duck Creek at or near Fleming's Landing,"

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 117, Sussex county,"

Was read.

Mr. Broadaway offered a resolution tendering the Hall of the House of Representatives to the temperance ladies for the purpose of addressing the General Assembly,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and

*Adopted.*

Mr. Houston presented a memorial and letter from the United States Light-house Board,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read and referred to a special committee of five,

Whereupon,

Messrs. Houston, Bird, Broadaway, Nowland and Pyle were appointed said committee.

Mr. Hanby asked leave of absence for one day.

There being no objection, leave was granted.

On motion of Mr. Collins,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional Notary Public in Dagsboro' hundred, Sussex county,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Pokomoke River Improvement Company,' passed at Dover, March 22, 1867,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment,

And, on his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Houston, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—19.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. Wilds, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following enrolled House bills and joint resolution as duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House, viz :

"An act to incorporate the Lone Valley Cemetery Company, near New Castle, Delaware ;"

"An act for the renewal of the charter of the Phoenix Fire Company in the City of Wilmington, and for other purposes ;"

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Iron Works ;"

"An act to amend Section 23, Chapter 8, Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware ;"

"Joint resolution in relation to the Public Arms."

Also, the following enrolled Senate bills, viz :

"An act transferring certain real estate belonging to Lorenzo D. Ginn from School District No. 81 to School District No. 72, in New Castle county ;"

"An act authorizing a change in the course of a public road in Cedar Creek hundred, in Sussex county ;"

"An act concerning a road in Milford hundred, Kent county ;"

"An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Riddle Fund for the benefit of the superannuated preachers of the Wilmington Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church;"

"An act in relation to arrests in civil cases;"

"An act to incorporate Good Samaritan Lodge No. 9, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of the State of Delaware, at Middletown;"

"An act to incorporate the Lebanon Hall Company;"

"Joint resolution directing the State Treasurer to pay certain moneys as counsel fees."

Mr. Learned asked leave of absence for one day.

There being no objection, leave was granted.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The joint resolution in relation to the distribution and sale of the remaining copies of the amended Code,

Was read and

*Concurred in.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the joint resolution returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act transferring the house and premises of Cyrus P. Rogers from School District No. 110, in Kent county, to United School Districts Nos. 32, 75, 76 and 78, in Kent county,"

Was read.

Mr. Bird gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to define the Duties of Collectors."

Mr. G. H. Phillips, from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to authorize David W. Ralph to change a public road on his own lands,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. G. H. Phillips, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens, praying for the passage of a bill to lay out a new road in Indian River and Georgetown hundreds, Sussex county, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to lay out a public road in Indian River and Georgetown hundreds, in Sussex county,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. G. H. Phillips, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to authorize Joseph B. Morris to erect a gate across a public road in Indian River hundred, Sussex county."

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration, read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 125 of the Revised Statutes,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Green presented a petition of sundry citizens of South Murderkill hundred, praying for the passage of a bill authorizing the laying out of a new road in South Murderkill hundred, Kent county,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Todd, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act authorizing the laying out of a public road in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county and State of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration and read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. G. H. Phillips, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act authorizing Joshua Bennett to erect a gate across a certain public road in Milford hundred,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The petition accompanying the bill was read,

And, on his further motion,

The bill under consideration was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*



*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. Houston, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to change the lands of John A. Nicholson, George W. S. Nicholson, Henry Q. Nicholson and L. W. Muse from School District No. 76 to School District No. 72, Sussex county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Houston,

Was read.

Mr. Conwell, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Mary W. Johnson, praying for the passage of an act divorcing her from her husband George W. Johnson, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Mary W. Johnson and George W. Johnson from the bonds of matrimony,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Wilds gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act creating an additional Justice of the Peace and Constable in Kenton hundred."

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The bill entitled,

"An act to lay out a new public road in Kenton hundred, Kent county,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

Mr. Voshell presented a remonstrance of Samuel Hutchinson against the passage of the bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The petition accompanying the bill was read.

The question recurring on the passage of the bill,

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Broadway gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act in relation to Peach Baskets and Crates."

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act for the protection of mill property from ice and other freshets,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs.

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion,

The House adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, March 12, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Holcomb gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to provide for the expression of the people of New Castle county upon the subject of county division;"

Also, a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 102 of the 3d Volume, Laws of Delaware."

Mr. Bird gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 125 of the Revised Code, as amended, 1874."

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House bill entitled,

"An act entitled 'An additional supplement to an act entitled 'An act for the better regulation of the streets of Delaware City, and for other purposes,' passed at Dover, March 5, 1851,'"

With an amendment, and returned the same to the House for concurrence therein.

He also informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following bill, viz :

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Town of Milford,' passed at Dover, Feb. 25, 1867,"

And presented the same to the House.

He also returned, with the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, the following enrolled House bills, viz :

"An act authorizing the appointment of an additional Justice of the Peace in Kent county;"

"An act for the extension of the boundaries of Red Lion hundred, New Castle county;"

"An act to prohibit stock from running at large in United School Districts Nos. 44 and 150, in Sussex county;"

"An act to authorize the laying out of a public road in Duck Creek hundred, Kent county, State of Delaware;"

"An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 112, Sussex county, Delaware;"

"An act providing for the payment of funeral expenses, medical, nursing and necessary bills at last sickness, in certain cases;"

"An act to prevent stock from running at large in School Districts Nos. 16 and 124, in Sussex county;"

"An act to enable Isaac Gooden to change a certain public road in Dover hundred, Kent county, Delaware," and

"An act to incorporate the Delaware City Mutual Life Insurance Company."

Mr. Broadaway gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Wyoming Branch Ditch Company;"

Also, a bill entitled,

"An act empowering the Governor to appoint a committee of inquiry in certain cases."

Mr. Todd gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Construction Company."

Mr. J. W. Phillips gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A supplement to Chapter 42 of the Revised Code of 1852, as published in 1874, entitled 'Of Free Schools.'"

Mr. Collins, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 125 of the Revised Code,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill just reported was taken up for consideration, read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An additional supplement to an act entitled, 'An act for the better regulation of the streets of Delaware City, and for other purposes,' passed at Dover, March 5, 1851,"

As amended by the Senate, was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The Senate amendment was read,

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended

And the amendment was read a second and third time

And

*Concurred in*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Pyle gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act relative to the publication of statements of savings banks and insurance companies,"

Also, a bill entitled,

"An act describing the manner in which security shall be taken for officers of the City of Wilmington,"

Also, a bill entitled,

"An act to further amend Chapter 73 of the Revised Code, entitled 'Of the City of Wilmington,'"

Also, a bill entitled,

"An act to regulate the sale of Patent Rights."

Mr. Todd, Chairman of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of Charles J. Harrington and others, praying for the passage of an act vacating a part of a public road and laying out a new road at or near the Village of Farmington, in Kent county, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to vacate a part of a certain road and lay out a new road in or near the Village of Farmington, Mispillion hundred, Kent county, Delaware,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Houston presented the memorial of sundry officers of corporations in the State of Pennsylvania in reference to ceding lands for light-house purposes,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the special committee on the subject.

Mr. Holcomb, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to prevent obstructions in the Delaware River,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Holcomb,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

Rule 12 was suspended and the bill read a second time and referred to a special committee of five.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Nowland, Baldwin, Bird, Wilds and McNeal were appointed said committee.

Mr. Holcomb, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act for the Protection of the Harbor at New Castle,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Holcomb,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the bill read a second time and referred to a special committee of five.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Nowland, Baldwin, Bird, Wilds and McNeal were appointed said committee.

The Speaker presented a petition praying for the passage of the last-named act, which was read and referred to the special committee with the bill.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill entitled,

"An act to change the lands of John A. Nicholson, George W. S. Nicholson, Henry Q. Nicholson and L. W. Muse from School District No. 76 to School District No. 72, in Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Nowland, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Town of Odessa,'"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

Was read.

Mr. Bird, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to repeal Section 2, Chapter 60, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, as published in the Code of 1874,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, as amended in 1874,"

Was taken up for consideration and read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

Mr. G. H. Phillips called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Biggs, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, McNeal, Nowland, J. W. Phillips, Todd and Voshell—11.

*Nays*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Houston, Lambden, G. H. Phillips, Pyle, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—8.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

The Senate bill entitled,



"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 77½, in Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 99 of the Revised Statutes,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. J. W. Phillips offered a resolution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

*Resolved*, That when the House adjourns it stands adjourned until Monday next, at 3 o'clock, P. M.,

And further,

On his motion,

The resolution was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapters 17, 18, 8, 10 and 11 of the Revised Statutes, and Chapter 22, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, as published in the Revised Code of 1852, as amended, &c., in 1874, for the purpose of dividing Sussex county into three Assessment Districts, and to provide for the election of only three Assessors in said county,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to a special committee of three,

Whereupon,

Messrs. Houston, J. W. Phillips and Conwell were appointed said committee.

Mr. Wilds, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act creating an additional Justice of the Peace and Constable in Kenton hundred, Kent county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Middletown Gaslight Company, at Middletown, Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Todd presented a petition of sundry citizens, praying for the passage of an act authorizing the laying out of a new road in North Murderkill and Dover hundreds, in Kent county,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Todd gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act appointing Commissioners to lay out a public road in Kent county, State of Delaware,"

Mr. Bird, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following enrolled House bills as duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House, viz :

"An act making personal property liable to taxation for school purposes, in the school district in which it is situated ;"

"An act to incorporate the Benedictine Institute of the City of Wilmington ;"

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Lewes Creek Navigation Company ;'"

"An act authorizing a special election for Town Commissioners of the Town of Seaford ;"

"An act to annex, for school purposes, School District No. 19, in New Castle county, to the City of Wilmington."

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The bill entitled,

"An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to make a part of a certain road in Pencader hundred, New Castle county, a charge upon said county, and for other purposes,'"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The Senate amendment to the bill was read, as follows :

Amend the bill by inserting between the words "owners" and "and," in line 31 of Section 2, the following, to wit: "and shall also assess the damages which may accrue to the owner or owners of land by reason of the vacation of any road, taking into consideration all the circumstances of benefit as well as of injury which shall accrue to each of said owners,"

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended,

And the amendment read a second and third time

And

*Concurred in.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Lambden moved that the House do now adjourn,

Which motion was

*Lost.*

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act transferring the house and premises of Cyrus P. Rogers from School District No. 110, in Kent county, to United School Districts Nos. 32, 75, 76 and 78, in Kent county,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to exempt from execution or attachment process certain articles of personal property,' passed at Dover, April 10, 1873,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Wilds gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act in relation to the Duties of the Levy Courts in the several counties of this State."

On motion,

The House adjourned until Monday next, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

MONDAY, March 15, 1875—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Voshell offered a resolution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

*Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met, That the Senate are hereby requested to return to the House of Representatives the House bill to lay out a new public road in Kenton hundred, Kent county, State of Delaware.*

Mr. Voshell moved the adoption of the resolution,

Which motion was

*Lost.*

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following bills, viz :

"An act in relation to tenants under those having dower rights ;"

"An act to authorize Dr. William Marshall to erect a gate across a certain public road in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county," and

"An act for the improvement of Banckumbrig Creek, in Kent county,"

And presented the same to the House.

He also returned to the House, with the information that the Senate had concurred therein, the House bill entitled,

"An act to change the name of High Street, in the Town of Dover."

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred, with an amendment, in the House bill entitled,

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act for the Protection of Women,' passed at Dover, April 9, 1873,"

And returned the same to the House with the request that the amendment be concurred in.

He also informed the House that the Senate had appointed Messrs. Causey, Ray and Fiddeman, a committee on the part of the Senate to confer with a like committee on the part of the House on the disagreement between the two Houses in regard to the Senate amendment to the House bill entitled,

"An act to consolidate School Districts Nos. 70 and 102, in Sussex county."

Mr. Collins, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to amend the act entitled 'An act to amend an act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, marsh and cripple on Cedar Creek, in Red Lion hundred, in the county of New Castle, to erect a new bank in part, and to keep the residue of the old bank, sluices and flood gates in repair, and to raise a fund to defray the expense thereof,' private act, passed March 13, 1873,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration, read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Biggs, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act taxing Dogs and for the Protection of Sheep,"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

And, on his motion,

The amendment was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time

And

*Adopted,*

And, on his further motion,

The bill, as amended, was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Learned, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Todd,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to lay out a new public road in Dover hundred, Kent county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Learned,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to authorize Dr. William Marshall to erect a gate across a certain public road in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Conwell,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act in relation to tenants under those having dower rights,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Collins,

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Ann E. Davis and Robert Davis from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

Rule 12 was suspended

And the bill read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Holcomb, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Hanby,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 102 of the 3d Volume of Delaware Laws,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Holcomb,

Was read.

Mr. Bird, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,  
 "An act to amend Chapter 125 of the Revised Code, as amended  
 in 1874,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Conwell,

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Mary H. Johnson and George W. Johnson  
 from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 418, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware,  
 passed at Dover, April 10, 1873,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee  
 on Revised Statutes.

Mr. G. H. Phillips, from the Committee on Roads and Highways,  
 to whom was referred the petitions of A. Broadaway and others,  
 praying for the passage of an act authorizing the laying out of a  
 public road in North Murderkill hundred, reported the same back  
 to the House with a bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the laying out of a new public road in North  
 Murderkill hundred, Kent county, Delaware,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill entitled,

"An act to change the lands of John A. Nicholson, George W.  
 S. Nicholson, Henry Q. Nicholson and L. W. Muse from School  
 District No. 76 to School District No. 72, Sussex county,"



Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Town of Odessa,'"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act concerning Notaries Public in Wilmington hundred,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Collins,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act in relation to the lien of taxes,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act authorizing the Levy Courts of the several counties in this State to adopt measures for the destruction of hawks and owls,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to a special committee of three.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Lambden, Baldwin and Wilds were appointed said committee.

Mr. Bird, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Hanby,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act relating to the Duties of Collectors,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The bill entitled,

"An act creating an additional Justice of the Peace and Constable in Kenton hundred, Kent county,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to a special committee of three.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Wilds, Houston and Baldwin were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to repeal Chapter 523 of the Laws of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Biggs, Bird, Collins, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden and G. H. Phillips—8.

*Nays*—Messrs. Baldwin, Broadaway, Conwell, Frame, Green, McNeal, Nowland, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—13.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill was

*Lost.*

The Speaker presented a communication from the Secretary of the National Museum, Independence Hall,

Which was read and placed on file.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the bill entitled,

"An act in relation to Free Schools in this State,"

Mr. Frame in the Chair.

After some time spent therein the Committee rose and Mr. Frame reported progress.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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TUESDAY, March 16, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 117, Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act for the improvement of Banckumbrig Creek, in Kent county,"

Was read.

Mr. Collins presented the claim of Henry Todd against the State,  
Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following bills, viz :

"An act for the benefit of the Indigent Deaf and Dumb and of the Indigent Blind," and

"An act concerning the Duties of Sheriffs,"

And presented the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House bill entitled,

"An act to authorize George Hallowell and John P. Hudson to straighten a public road, upon their own land, in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county, at their own expense,"

With an amendment, and returned the same to the House for concurrence therein.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act for the renewal of the charter of the Home for Aged Women,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass.

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration, read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, " Shall this bill pass the House ?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—18.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Nowland presented a petition of sundry citizens against the proposed division of New Castle county,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Nowland presented a petition of sundry citizens, praying for the passage of an act establishing a State Workhouse,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the special committee on the subject.

Mr. Pyle presented sundry petitions of citizens of New Castle, remonstrating against the proposed division of New Castle county,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read and referred to the special committee on increased representation.

Mr. Baldwin presented similar petitions,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read and referred to the same committee.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Camden Union Camp Ground, in Kent county, Delaware,' passed at Dover, February 3, 1859,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration, read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, " Shall this bill pass the House ?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—18.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. G. H. Phillips, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens of School District No. 53, in Sussex county, reported a bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting stock from running at large in School District No. 53, in Sussex county,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Middletown Gaslight Company, at Middletown, Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And the amendment was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time

And

*Adopted,*

And, on his further motion,

The bill under consideration was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—19.

*Nay*—Mr. Nowland—1.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 102 of the 3d Volume, Laws of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act regulating the sale of Intoxicating Liquors,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to a special committee of three.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Pyle, Collins and Lambden were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"An act to lay out a public road in Indian River and Georgetown hundreds, in Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Conwell,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act for the benefit of the Indigent Deaf and Dumb and of the Indigent Blind,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act relating to the Duty of Collectors of Taxes,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Nowland, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of United School Districts Nos. 39 and 41, in New Castle county,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment,

And, on his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the laying out of a new public road in North Murderkill hundred, Kent county, Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 125 of the Revised Code, as amended in 1874."

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,



"An act concerning the duties of Sheriffs,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Conwell,

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Maranda A. Taylor and William H. H. Taylor from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs.

Pending the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The accompanying petition was read.

The question then being, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips and Voshell—12.

*Nays*—Messrs. Biggs, Frame, Nowland, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—8.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Broadaway, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Hanby,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act in relation to public roads in Kent county, Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. G. H. Phillips, from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Kenton hundred, praying for a stock law, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to prohibit stock from running at large in Kenton hundred,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Drawbridge Packing Company,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—18.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 12 of the Revised Code, as published in the Code of 1874, entitled 'Of Collectors,'"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The Senate amendment was read, as follows:

Amend the bill by striking out the word "five" in the 44th line of Section 1 and inserting in lieu thereof the word "fifteen," and also amend the bill by adding in Section 1 of the bill between the word "parties" and the word "it" in the 37th line of said Section the following words: "He shall also ascertain the post-office address of the party or parties so doing business, which he shall return with the name of the firm, incorporated company or individual so returned by him on the list aforesaid," and by adding to said Section 1 the following word, to wit: "*Provided* that before the Clerk of the Peace shall deliver to the Attorney-General the list required by this Section he shall forward through the post-office a written or printed notice addressed to the person or persons so having failed to take out a license for the occupation in which he or they are reported to be engaged setting forth that he or they have failed to take out a license for the occupation in which he or they are reported engaged, and that unless such license is taken out within the term of ten days from the date of the notice that he or they will be subject to an indictment at the ensuing term of court, and said notice shall state where said licenses can be procured. If the person or persons so notified as aforesaid shall, within ten days from the date of forwarding such written or printed notice, take out a license for the occupation in which he or they may have been reported engaged, then it shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Peace to strike the name of him or them from the said list. The Clerk of the Peace shall receive from the person or persons notified fifty cents for each notice sent as required by this section, which shall be paid at the time of taking out such license, and no other costs than said sum shall be charged; and shall keep a record of the names of the persons or firm or incorporated company to whom such notice may be sent, the dates on which said notices have been placed in the post-office, and the post-offices to which said notices have been mailed. No person whose name may have been returned by the collector on the list aforesaid directed to be made by this act, shall be indicted by the Attorney-General unless the provisions of this act shall have been complied with, and the notices sent as directed."

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Houston, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate Seminole Tribe, No. 7, Improved Order of Red Men, of the State of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment,

And, on his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—20.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

The bill entitled,

"An act to confirm and establish a certain road leading to and across the bridge over Duck Creek at or near Fleming's Landing,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

Pending the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

On motion,

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker presented a communication in reference to light-houses on the Delaware River,

Which was read and referred to the special committee on that subject.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the subject of light-houses, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the act entitled, 'An act to provide for the relinquishment, in certain cases, to the United States of title to lands for sites of light-stations on the coasts and waters of this State, passed at Dover, during the present session of the Legislature, on the 19th of February, 1875,' and to re-enact and amend the act repealed thereby,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title.

Mr. Houston further moved that Rule 12 be suspended in order to read the bill a third time, and by paragraphs.

Mr. Holcomb ordered the yeas and nays on the question,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Broadaway, Conwell, Green, Houston, Lambden, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—12.

*Nays*—Messrs. Biggs, Collins, Frame, Hanby, Learned, McNeal, Nowland and Pyle—8.

Two-thirds not voting in the affirmative,

The motion was

*Lost.*

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, presented, for the signature of the Speaker of the House, the following Senate bills and joint resolutions; which had been duly and correctly enrolled and received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz :

"A supplement to the act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Pokómoke River Improvement Company,' passed at Dover, March 22, 1867 ;"

"An act uniting the School Districts of Dover ;"

"An act to incorporate the Farmington Institute ;"

"An act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional Notary Public in Dagsboro' hundred, Sussex county ;"

"An act authorizing Joshua Bennett to erect a gate across a certain public road in Milford hundred ;"

"An act to authorize David W. Ralph to change a public road on his own lands ;"

"An act to authorize Joseph B. Morris to erect a gate across a public road in Indian River hundred, Sussex county ;"

"An act authorizing the laying out of a public road in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county and State of Delaware ;"

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to amend the act incorporating the Breakwater and Frankford Railroad Company,' passed at Dover, March 8, 1871,' passed at Dover, March 12, 1873 ;"

"An act to incorporate the Esplendor Mining Company ;"

"An act to divide Appoquinimink hundred into two hundreds ;"

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 117, Sussex county ;"

"Joint resolution refusing new business after March 12th ;"

"Joint resolution in relation to the distribution and sale of the remaining copies of the amended Code."

He also returned to the House the following enrolled House bills, which had received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz :

"An act to change the name of Hettie E. Frame to Hettie E. McColley, and for other purposes ;"

"An act to incorporate the Pioneer Club Stables, of Wilmington, Delaware ;"

"An act in relation to the Road Commissioners in St. George's hundred, in New Castle county;"

"An act to establish a Board of Education for the Town of Lewes and to incorporate the same, and for other purposes;"

"A supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Town of Wyoming, and for other purposes,' passed at Dover, March 10, 1869;"

"An act to incorporate the Peninsular Agricultural and Mechanical Society;"

"An act to incorporate Pocahontas Tent, No. 9, Daughters of the Forest;"

"An act to incorporate the Lone Valley Cemetery Company, near New Castle, Delaware," and

"An act to amend Section 23, Chapter 8, Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware."

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

The bill entitled,

"An act to confirm and establish a certain road leading to and across the bridge over Duck Creek, at or near Fleming's Landing,"

Was taken up for consideration.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act for the Protection of Women,' passed at Dover, April 9, 1873,"

As amended by the Senate, was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

The Senate amendments were read, as follows, viz :

Amendment No. 1. Amend the bill as follows : "Nor shall he be liable for any act of hers as such executrix or administratrix unless he is a party to her bond as such."

Amendment No. 2. Make the following Section 3 :

"SECTION 3. *And be it further enacted*, That while a married woman becomes a purchaser of real estate she may secure the purchase money or part of it by recognizance, bond, mortgage, or otherwise, as single women may, and her husband need not be a party nor consent to such act of giving security. And in any case where it may be proper for a party to give a bond with or without warrant of attorney, a married woman may do the same ; *Provided however*, That in case of her entering into recognizance or giving bond or mortgage or making other contract for the payment of money, her husband shall not be liable unless he be a party thereto."

Amendment No. 3. Make Section 3 Section 4.

Amendment No. 4. Add the following section :

"SECTION 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the following words in the 2d and 3d lines of the 5th Section of Chapter 550 of the 14th Volume of the Laws be stricken out, viz : 'with the written consent of her husband given under his hand and seal in the presence of two witnesses.'"

Amendment No. 5. Amend the bill by adding to Section 4, as amended, by adding to said section after the words "Passed at Dover, April 9, 1873," the following in addition : "And Section 3 of this act shall be printed as aforesaid as Section 9 of the act heretofore mentioned in this section, entitled 'An act for the protection of Women.'"

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended

And the amendments read a second time.

Mr. Wilds, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act creating an additional Justice of the Peace and Constable in Kenton hundred, Kent county,"

Reported the same back to the House with two amendments,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And further,



On his motion,

The amendments were read,

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended,

And the amendments read a second and third time

And

*Adopted,*

And, on his further motion,

The bill under consideration was read, as amended; a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—19.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act for the Promotion of Internal Improvements,"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time

And

*Adopted.*

Mr. Houston offered an amendment to the bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time

And

*Adopted.*

Mr. Voshell offered an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Houston moved that the further consideration of the amendment be indefinitely postponed,

And, on the question, "Shall the amendment be indefinitely postponed?"

Mr. Houston called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Todd and Wilds—13.

*Nays*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Hanby, Nowland, Pyle, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—8.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendment was

*Indefinitely postponed.*

Mr. Nowland moved that the bill under consideration be made the special order for to-morrow, Wednesday, the 17th inst.,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapters 17, 18, 8, 10 and 11 of the Revised Statutes, and Chapter 22, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, as published in the Revised Code of 1852, as amended, &c., in 1874, for

the purpose of dividing Sussex county into three Assessment Districts, and to provide for the election of only three Assessors in said county,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Conwell, Houston, Nowland, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—5.

*Nays*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Frame, Green, Hanby, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd and Voshell—15.

So the bill, having failed to receive the required majority,

Was

*Lost.*

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The bill entitled,

"An act to vacate a part of a certain road and lay out a new road in or near the Village of Farmington, Mispillion hundred, Kent county, Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Conwell,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act in relation to tenants under those having dower rights,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The bill entitled,

"An act to lay out a new public road in Dover hundred, Kent county,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Hanby,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act describing the manner in which security shall be taken for officers of the City of Wilmington,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act relative to the publication of statements of savings banks and insurance companies,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Conwell,

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce John A. Ellis and Martha W. Ellis, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to authorize Dr. William Marshall to erect a gate across a certain public road in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. G. H. Phillips, from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of Francis Greenwell and others, praying for a new road in Dover hundred, reported a bill entitled,

"An act appointing commissioners to lay out a public road in Kent county,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Conwell,

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Mary H. Johnson and George W. Johnson from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

Pending the question of its passage,

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The accompanying papers were read,

And, on the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

It was decided in the negative,

And the bill was

*Lost.*

Mr. Pyle,, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Hanby,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to further amend Chapter 73 of the Revised Code, entitled 'Of the City of Wilmington,'"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Conwell,

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Elizabeth Rudolff and Ferdinand Rudolff from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Town of Milford,' passed at Dover, Feb. 25, 1867,"

Was read.

Mr. Todd, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act transferring the house and premises of Cyrus P. Rogers from School District No. 110, in Kent county, to United School Districts Nos. 32, 75, 76 and 78, in Kent county,"

Reported the same back to the House,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration, read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Todd,

The bill entitled,

"An act to straighten a certain public road therein mentioned, in Kent county, near Pierson's Corner,"

Was taken up for consideration, read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, March 17, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. J. W. Phillips presented the report of the conference committee of the Senate and House on the bill entitled,

"An act to consolidate School Districts Nos. 70 and 102, in Sussex county,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the report read a second time,

And, on his further motion,

The report was read a third time and

*Adopted.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House bill entitled,

"An act authorizing and requiring the School Committee of School District No. 72, in Sussex county, to raise one hundred and fifty dollars annually for school purposes,"

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following bills, viz :

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to authorize the Prothonotary of Kent county to make a certain index,' passed at Dover, February 23, 1875 ;"

"An act to amend Chapter 97 of the Revised Statutes ;"

"An act to amend Chapter 42 of the Revised Code ;"

"An act to enable Elizabeth Jane Wright, formerly Elizabeth Jane Fooks, to make a last will and testament;"

"An act to establish the weight of Oats in the State of Delaware;"

"An act to amend Chapter 443, Volume 13, Laws of Delaware;"

"An act to amend Chapter 414, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware."

He also returned to the House the following enrolled House bills, which had received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz:

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Iron Works;"

"An act to incorporate the Bellevue Quarry Company;"

"An act to incorporate Delaware City Public Schools, and for other purposes;"

"An act to incorporate the Benedictine Institute of the City of Wilmington;"

"An act to make personal property liable to taxation for school purposes in the school district in which it is situated;"

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Lewes Creek Navigation Company;"

"An act authorizing a special election for Town Commissioners of the Town of Seaford;"

"An additional supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to limit the city debt of Wilmington and to provide for the discharge thereof;"

"Joint resolution in relation to the Public Arms."

He also presented, for the signature of the Speaker of the House, the following duly and correctly enrolled Senate bills, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz:

"An act in relation to the levy of taxes,"

"An additional supplement to the act entitled 'An act in relation to Oysters.'"

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend the act entitled 'An act for the Protection of Women,' passed at Dover, April 9th, 1873,"



Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The Senate amendment was read a third time

And

*Concurred in*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the act entitled, 'An act to provide for the relinquishment, in certain cases, to the United States of title to lands for sites of light-stations on the coasts and waters of this State, passed at Dover, during the present session of the Legislature, on the 19th of February, 1875,' and to re-enact and amend the act repealed thereby,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Riddle, a member of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 125 of the Revised Code,"

With an amendment, and returned the same to the House with the request that the amendment be concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate amendment to the House bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 125 of the Revised Code,"

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time,

And, on his further motion,

The amendment was read a third time

And

*Concurred in.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Houston moved that the House proceed to the consideration of the special order, being the bill entitled,

"An act for the Promotion of Internal Improvements,"

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

Whereupon,

Mr. Houston moved that the vote by which the amendments to the bill were adopted, be reconsidered,

Which motion

*Prevailed,*

And the amendments were withdrawn.

Whereupon,

Mr. Houston offered two other amendments to the amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendments read a second time

And

*Adopted.*

Mr. Houston moved that the amendment as amended be adopted,

And called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Todd, Voshell and Wilds—16.

*Nays*—Messrs. Biggs, Hanby, Nowland, Pyle and Mr. Speaker—5.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendment was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill under consideration was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips and Voshell—11.

*Nays*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Green, Hanby, Nowland, Pyle, Todd, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—10.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion,

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to enable Elizabeth Jane Wright, formerly Elizabeth Jane Fooks, to make a last will and testament,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

Rule 12 was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School Districts Nos. 94 and 154, in Sussex county,"

Was taken up for consideration and put upon its final passage.

The bill having been previously read a third time, and by paragraphs,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Milford Gaslight Company,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass.

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration, read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—19.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The Senate bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled 'An act to authorize the Prothonotary of Kent county to make a certain index,' passed at Dover, February 23d, 1875,"

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended

And the bill read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Conwell,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 443, Volume 13, Laws of Delaware,"  
Was read.

Mr. Collins, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, reported the following House bills back to the House with the recommendation that they pass, viz :

"An act to further amend the charter of the City of Wilmington ;"

"An act to amend Chapter 418, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware ;"

"An act to amend Chapter 36 of Volume 12 of the Laws of the State of Delaware."

He also reported the following House bills with amendments, viz :

"An act to amend Chapter 73 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled 'Of the City of Wilmington ;'"

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Town of Odessa.'"

He also reported back to the House, with the recommendation that it do not pass, the bill entitled,

"An act concerning Notaries Public in Wilmington hundred."

He also reported back to the House, with the recommendation that it pass, the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 60, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware."

He also reported back, with the recommendation that they do not pass, the following Senate bills, viz :

"An act to further amend Chapter 99 of the Revised Statutes,"

"An act to amend Chapter 578, Volume 11 of the Laws of Delaware."

On motion of Mr. Collins,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Town of Odessa,'"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment offered by the committee was read.

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time

And *Adopted,*

And, further on his motion,

The bill under consideration was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—20.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Bird, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to establish a State Work House for all persons convicted of crime and punishable with imprisonment,"

Reported the bill back to the House,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The petitions and memorials accompanying the bill were read,

And, on his further motion,

The bill under consideration was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

Mr. Hanby called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Frame, Houston, Learned, J. W. Phillips, Pyle and Mr. Speaker—10.

*Nays*—Messrs. Biggs, Conwell, Green, Hanby, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, Todd, Voshell and Wilds—11.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill was

*Lost.*

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize George Hallowell and John P. Hudson to straighten a public road, upon their own land, in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county, at their own expense,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The Senate amendment to the bill was read, as follows:

Amend Section 3, at the end of "charge," as follows: "and provided that the new road made and laid out shall first be accepted by the Levy Court of Sussex county, and by their vote declared a public road, and shall be maintained by the county as such."

Extract from Senate Journal, March 13, 1875.

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended

And the amendment read a second and third times

And

*Concurred in.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. G. H. Phillips, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to vacate a part of a certain road and lay out a new road in or near the Village of Farmington, Mispillion hundred, Kent county,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration and read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

It was decided in the negative,

And the bill was

*Lost.*

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act for the benefit of the Indigent Deaf and Dumb and of the Indigent Blind,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Lambden, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act authorizing the Levy Courts of the several counties in this State to adopt measures for the destruction of hawks and owls,"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows:

Amend the bill by adding the following section:

SECTION 3. That the Levy Courts in the several counties of this State shall pay fifty cents for each and every hawk and owl killed



and destroyed as aforesaid. And the person presenting the scalp of such hawks or owls shall make an affidavit that such hawks or owls was killed within the limits of this State.

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time

And

*Adopted,*

And, on his further motion,

The bill under consideration was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

Pending the passage of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

It was recommitted to the special committee.

Mr. Nowland, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the following House bills, viz :

"An act to prevent obstructions in the Delaware River," and

"An act for the Protection of the Harbor of New Castle,"

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that they pass.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill entitled,

"An act for the Protection of the Harbor of New Castle,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill under consideration was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill entitled,

"An act to prevent obstructions in the Delaware River,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill under consideration was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 97 of the Revised Code,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting stock from running at large in School District No. 53, in Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. G. H. Phillips, on behalf of the committee to whom was referred the petition of Benjamin Draper and Robert Raughley, praying for the passage of an act to authorize them to change the course of a public road, reported a bill entitled,

"An act authorizing Benjamin Draper and Robert Raughley to straighten a certain public road in Mispillion hundred,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Wilds, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following enrolled House bills as duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House, viz :

"An additional supplement to an act entitled, 'An act for the better regulation of the streets of Delaware City, and for other purposes,' passed at Dover, March 5, 1851 ;"

"An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 162, Sussex county, Delaware;"

"An act to change the name of High Street, in the Town of Dover;"

"An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 105, Sussex county;"

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Gravelly Run Marsh Company, passed at Dover, February 5, 1866,' and amended and re-enacted by the act entitled, 'An act to amend and re-enact the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Gravelly Run Marsh Company, passed at Dover, February 5, 1866,' passed at Dover, January 24, 1867.'"

Also, the following Senate bills, which had been duly and correctly enrolled, viz :

"An act to divide Appoquinimink hundred into two hundreds;"

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 3, in Sussex county;"

"An act to amend Section 3, Chapter 57, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware;"

"An act to reincorporate the Delta Phi Literary Society of Delaware College;"

"An act to authorize the laying out of a public road in Milford hundred, Kent county, State of Delaware;"

"An act to incorporate the Kent Iron and Hardware Company, of Wilmington, Del.;"

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled 'An act to establish a company under the name of the Mispillion Navigation Company,' passed at Dover, February 1st, 1827;"

"An act to authorize Joseph B. Morris to erect a gate across a public road in Indian River hundred, Sussex county;"

"An act to authorize David W. Ralph to change a public road on his own lands;"

"An act authorizing Joshua Bennett to erect a gate across a certain public road in Milford hundred;"

"An act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional Notary Public in Dagsboro' hundred, Sussex county;"

"An act to incorporate the Farmington Institute;"

"An act to incorporate the Splendor Mining Company;"

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to amend the act incorporating the Breakwater and Frankford Railroad Company, passed at Dover, March 8, 1871,' passed at Dover, March 12, 1873;"

"An act uniting the School Districts of Dover;"

"A supplement to the act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Pokomoke River Improvement Company,' passed at Dover, March 22, 1867;"

"An act authorizing the laying out of a public road in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county and State of Delaware;"

"Joint resolution in relation to the distribution and sale of the remaining copies of the amended Code," and

"Joint resolution refusing new business after March 12th."

Mr. Bird, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported as duly and correctly enrolled the following House bills, and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House, viz:

"An act to revive, re-enact and continue in force the original and all supplementary acts for the incorporation of the Jamison Branch Ditch Company;"

"An act to incorporate the American Tin and Iron Company of Delaware;"

"An act in relation to posting notices at the Court House door, in Kent county;"

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Diamond State Building and Loan Association of the Town of Smyrna,' passed at Dover, March 13, 1867;"

"An act to establish a Board of Education for the City of New Castle, to incorporate the same, and for other purposes;"

"An act to repeal an act entitled, 'An act to make a part of a certain road in Pencader hundred, New Castle county, a charge upon said county, and for other purposes.'"

Mr. G. H. Phillips, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to authorize Dr. William Marshall to erect a gate across a certain public road in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration, and read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

It was decided in the negative,

And the bill was

*Lost.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. G. H. Phillips, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 117, in Sussex county,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration, read a third time and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Todd,

The bill entitled,

"An act to make taxes a first lien on real and personal property for two years,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Lambden, on behalf of the special committee to whom was recommitted the Senate bill entitled,

"An act authorizing the Levy Courts of the several counties to adopt measures for the destruction of hawks and owls,"

Reported the same back to the House with an additional amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend Section 3, after the word "state," by adding the following: "*Provided* that nothing in this act shall be understood to apply to fish hawks or mouse owls."

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendments read a second time

And

*Adopted.*

And, on his further motion,

The bill under consideration was read, as amended, a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

Pending the passage of the bill,

Mr. Hanby called for the yeas and nays on its passage.

Mr. Houston moved that the bill be recommitted,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

And the bill was recommitted to the special committee.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 73 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled 'Of the City of Wilmington,'"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment offered by the Committee on Revised Statutes was read,

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time

And

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill under consideration was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The bill entitled,

"An act to prohibit stock from running at large in Kenton hundred,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act for the improvement of Banckumbrig Creek, in Kent county,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. G. H. Phillips, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 77½, in Sussex county,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration, read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. Wilds presented a claim of T. O. Culbreth against the State, Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act describing the manner in which security shall be taken for officers of the City of Wilmington,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act relative to the publication of statements of savings banks and insurance companies,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Conwell,

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Elizabeth Rudolff and Ferdinand Rudolff from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs.

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Aid Savings Bank,"

Reported the same back to the House and moved that it be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Nowland called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Biggs, Collins, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Todd, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—14.

*Nays*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Conwell, Nowland, Pyle and Voshell—6.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill was

*Indefinitely postponed.*

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 36 of Volume 12 of the Laws of the State of Delaware,"



Was taken up for consideration, read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

Pending the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

Mr. Nowland moved that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Corporations,

Which motion *Prevailed.*

On motion,

The House adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, March 18, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Pyle, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act regulating the sale of Intoxicating Liquors,"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Voshell moved that the further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. J. W. Phillips called for the yeas and nays;

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Biggs, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Learned, J. W. Phillips and Voshell—9.

*Nays*—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Hanby, Lambden, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—10.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

*Lost.*

Mr. Pyle moved that Rule 12 be suspended that the amendment might be read a second time,

Whereupon,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bird, Frame, Hanby, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—11.

*Nays*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Green, Learned, J. W. Phillips and Todd—9.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendment was read a second time.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House bills, viz :

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘A supplement to Chapter 104 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware;’”

“An act to incorporate the Tasker Telegraph Company;”

“An act to amend the act entitled ‘An act to amend an act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, marsh and cripple on Cedar Creek, in Red Lion hundred, in the county of New Castle, to erect a new bank in part, and to keep the residue of the old bank, sluices and flood gates in repair, and to raise a fund to defray the expenses thereof,’ private act, passed March 13, 1873;”

“An act to change the lands of John A. Nicholson, George W. S. Nicholson, Henry Q. Nicholson and L. W. Muse from School District No. 76 to School District No. 72, in Sussex county.”

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House bill entitled,

“An act to amend Chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, as amended in 1874,”

With an amendment, and returned the same to the House for concurrence therein.

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in and adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the bill entitled,

"An act to consolidate School Districts Nos. 70, 102, 70½ and 102½, in Sussex county, and for other purposes,"

And returned the bill and report to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following bills, viz :

"An act to revive and continue in force the act passed on the 2d day of March, 1855, entitled 'An act to incorporate the Rehoboth Hotel Company,' and for other purposes;"

"An act to amend Chapter 36 of Volume 14 of the Laws of Delaware;"

"An act to extend Vine's Branch Ditch;"

"Joint resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to borrow money."

And presented the same to the House.

Mr. Collins, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 36 of Volume 12 of the Laws of the State of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time

And

*Adopted.*

And, on his further motion,

The bill, as amended, was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, " Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—16.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

“An act in relation to Free Schools in this State,”

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. J. W. Phillips offered an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended.

And the amendment read a second time,

And

*Adopted.*

Mr. Baldwin moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed till Tuesday next, at 3½ o'clock, 23d inst.

On the question, “ Shall this bill be postponed till Tuesday next ? ”

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Frame, Green, Hanby, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell and Wilds—11.

*Nays*—Messrs. Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Learned, Nowland, J. W. Phillips and Mr. Speaker—8.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the further consideration of the bill postponed till Tuesday next.

Mr. Broadaway presented a resolution from the Wilmington Conference,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Moral Reform.

Mr. Pyle, on behalf of the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of R. R. Robinson & Co., praying for reimbursement by the State for losses on certain land scrip,

Reported the same back to the House with a bill, with the unanimous recommendation of the committee that it do not pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of R. R. Robinson & Co.,"

Was read.

Mr. Bird, from the special committee to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act proposing Amendments to the Constitution of this State,"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time

And

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to extend Vine's Branch Ditch,"

Was read.

Mr. Baldwin moved that the vote by which the bill entitled,

"An act to vacate a part of a certain road and lay out a new road in or near the Village of Farmington, Mispillion hundred, Kent county, Delaware,"

Was lost, be reconsidered,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

The question recurring on the passage of the bill,

And the question being, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The Clerk was instructed to request the Senate to return to the House the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to authorize Dr. William Marshall to erect a gate across a certain public road in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county,"

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act in relation to the indictment, conviction and punishment, in the United States Courts, of persons and officers under the laws of this State for offenses against an act of Congress entitled, 'An act to enforce the right of citizens of the United States to vote in the several States of this Union, and for other purposes,'"

Was taken up for consideration,

Mr. Pyle offered two amendments to the bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended

And the amendments read a second time

And

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

Mr. Biggs moved that the bill be postponed till Monday next,

Which motion was *Lost.*

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

Mr. Baldwin called for the yeas and nays.

Mr. Collins moved that the vote by which the House refused to postpone the bill be reconsidered,

Which motion *Prevailed.*

On the question, "Shall the bill be postponed till Monday next at 3 o'clock?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill was so *Postponed.*

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act proposing amendments to the Constitution of this State,"

Was read, as amended, a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

The Speaker presented resolutions of a meeting held in Wilmington on Saturday night,

Which were read.

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Nowland, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—8.

*Nays*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, Todd and Wilds—12.

So the bill, having failed to receive the required majority,

Was *Lost.*

On motion,

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. J. W. Phillips offered a joint resolution directing the State Treasurer to pay the members of the General Assembly their per diem and mileage in gold coin or its equivalent in currency,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and

*Adopted.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 42 of the Revised Code,"

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The Senate bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to authorize the Prothonotary of Kent county to make a certain index,' passed at Dover, February 23, 1875,"

Was taken up and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes with a letter, which he presented, on the same subject.

Mr. J. W. Phillips, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,



"A supplement to Chapter 42 of the Revised Code of 1852, as published in 1874, entitled 'Of Free Schools,'"

Which,

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

Was read.

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill entitled,

"An act to increase the compensation of the members of the General Assembly of the State of Delaware and to limit the duration of their sessions,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

Mr. Houston called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Collins, Conwell, Houston, McNeal, J. W. Phillips, Voshell and Wilds—8.

*Nays*—Messrs. Biggs, Bird, Frame, Green, Learned, Lambden, Nowland, G. H. Phillips and Mr. Speaker—9.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill was

*Lost.*

Mr. Nowland, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom was referred sundry petitions in relation to schools for colored people, reported a bill entitled,

"An act taxing Colored Persons for the support of their own schools,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,  
 And further,  
 On his motion,  
 Rule 12 was suspended,  
 And the bill read a second time by its title.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An additional supplement to the act in relation to the Town of Dover,'"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment,  
 And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration, read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And, on the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—18.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to enable Elizabeth Jane Wright, formerly Elizabeth Jane Fooks, to make a last will and testament,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 36, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware;"

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended.

And the bill read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The vote by which the bill entitled,

"An act to establish a State Work House for all persons convicted of crime and punishable with imprisonment,"

Was lost, was reconsidered.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that he was directed by the Speaker of the Senate to return to the House, in compliance with its request, the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to authorize Dr. William Marshall to erect a gate across a certain public road in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county."

He also returned to the House, with the information that the Senate had concurred therein, the following House bills, viz :

"An act to repeal the act entitled, 'An act to provide for the relinquishment, in certain cases, to the United States of title to lands for sites of light-stations on the coasts and waters of this State, passed at Dover, during the present session of the Legislature, on the 19th of February, 1875,' and to re-enact and amend the act repealed thereby ;"

"An act to require trustees in voluntary assignments for the benefit of creditors to give bond, with security, for the faithful execution of their trust, and for other purposes ;"

"An act creating an additional Justice of the Peace and Constable in Kenton hundred, Kent county ;"

"An act to straighten a certain public road therein mentioned, in Kent county, near Pierson's Corner."

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred, with an amendment, in the House bill entitled,

"An act to amend Title Fourth of the Revised Statutes, entitled 'Of Elections,'"

And requested the concurrence of the House in said amendment.

He also informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following bills, viz :

"An act to amend Chapter 27, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware;"

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled 'An act to extend the time for recording deeds,'"

And presented the same to the House.

He also returned to the House the following enrolled House bills, which had received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz :

"An act to incorporate the Delaware City and New Castle Railroad Company," and

"An act for the renewal of the charter of the Phoenix Fire Company in the City of Wilmington, and for other purposes."

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act concerning the Duties of Sheriffs,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate joint resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to borrow money,

Was read and

*Concurred in.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the joint resolution returned to that body.

Mr. Collins, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, reported the following House bills back to the House with the recommendation that they pass, viz :

"An act relative to the publication of statements of savings banks and insurance companies,"

"An act to amend Chapter 102 of the 3d Volume, Laws of Delaware."

He also reported back to the House, as amended by the Senate, the House bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 12 of the Revised Code, as published in the Code of 1874, entitled 'Of Collectors,'"

With the recommendation that it be concurred in.

He also reported back to the House, with the recommendation that it pass, the Senate bill entitled,

"An act in relation to tenants under those having dower rights."

He also reported back to the House, with the recommendation that they do not pass, the following House bills, viz :

"An act describing the manner in which security shall be taken for officers of the City of Wilmington ;"

"An act to amend Chapter 125 of the Revised Code, as amended in 1874."

On motion of Mr. Collins,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 12 of the Revised Code, as published in the Code of 1874, entitled 'Of Collectors,'"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The Senate amendment to the bill was read

And

*Concurred in.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof.

The Speaker presented sundry petitions praying for the passage of the act proposing the division of New Castle county,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill entitled,

"An act in relation to the publication of statements of savings banks and insurance companies,"

Was taken up for consideration, read a third time and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The vote by which the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to authorize Dr. William Marshall to erect a gate across a certain public road in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county,"

Was lost, was reconsidered.

The question recurring on the passage of the bill,

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill entitled,

"An act describing the manner in which security shall be taken for officers of the City of Wilmington,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs.

And, pending the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

It was postponed until 3 o'clock P. M., Monday next.

Mr. Baldwin presented sundry remonstrances against the division of New Castle county,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read.

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting stock from running at large in School District No. 53, in Sussex county,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs.

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to establish a State Work-House for all persons convicted of crime and punishable with imprisonment,"

Was taken up for consideration.

The question being, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 414, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware,"

Was read.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Schoen Spring Company,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, on his motion,

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

And,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Todd, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—16.

*Nays*—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Conwell,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to revive and continue in force the act passed on the 2d day of March, 1855, entitled ‘An act to incorporate the Rehoboth Hotel Company,’ and for other purposes,”

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The bill entitled,

“An act to prohibit stock from running at large in Kenton hundred,”

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the House.*

*Ordered* to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to establish the weight of Oats in the State of Delaware,”

Was read.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“A supplement to Chapter 565, Volume 12, Laws of Delaware,”

Reported a substitute for the bill, entitled,

“An act directing the Levy Court of Sussex county to pay certain moneys,”

Which,