

FRIDAY, January 22, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"An act entitled 'An act to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 91, in Sussex county,'"

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

Mr. J. W. Phillips presented a petition for the passage of the above named act,

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

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, to wit:

"An act in relation to the recording of leases of the Potter Charity Estate," and

"An act transferring the home and mansion farm of Isaac G. Phillips from School District No. 168, in Sussex county, to School District No. 50, in Sussex county."

Mr. Bird, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the Clerk of the Orphans' Court in and for New Castle county to make a certain index,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Was read.

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

"An act authorizing Robert Lambden to locate vacant land in Sussex county and complete his title to the same."

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 Vulcanized Fiber Company,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The vote by which the bill entitled,

"An act to reincorporate Keokuk Tribe, No. 3, Improved Order of Red Men of the State of Delaware, in the City of Wilmington,"

Passed the House, was reconsidered,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill was postponed until Monday next.

Mr. Pyle, 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 the Revised Statutes,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

Mr. Houston, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to cede to the United States title to and jurisdiction over land for sites of light-houses, beacons, life-saving stations, or other aids to navigation within the limits of the State of Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Houston,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

The House bill entitled,

"An act making dogs personal property and for their better protection in the consolidated School Districts Nos. 39 and 41, in Newark and vicinity, in New Castle county,"

Was read a second time by its title.

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

"An act to revive and extend the time for recording of private acts."

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The bill entitled,

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

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

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Underwriters' Agency of Delaware,"

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

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to extend the time for Recording of Deeds,'"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the Recorder of Deeds in and for New Castle county to procure a new seal of office,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to change the time for holding the Court of Chancery and Orphans' Court in Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. J. W. Phillips moved that when the House adjourns it adjourns to meet on next Monday, at 3 o'clock, P. M.,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the West-end Club Stables,"

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 Evening Star Council, No. 1, S. and D. of A., of Delaware,"

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 Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance,"

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

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The bill entitled,

"An act to enable Jacob G. Cannon to locate certain vacant land and complete his title to the same,"

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

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Rule 12 was unanimously suspended in order that he might have a bill read a third time,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill entitled,

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to extend the time for Recording of Deeds,' "

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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, viz :

"An act authorizing John T. Moore to straighten and change a certain public road on his own land, in Little Creek hundred, in Sussex county, and to place gates across the same,"

And presented the same to the House.

He also returned the following House bill, the same having been concurred in by the Senate, to wit :

"An act to incorporate the Peninsular Agricultural and Pomological Association in New Castle county, State of Delaware."

Mr. Nowland, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the petition in relation to the fishery laws, asked for further time to report.

There being no objection, further time was granted.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to establish an inferior court to be entitled the Court of Quarter Sessions of New Castle County,"

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

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

"An act to incorporate the St. Peter's Female Beneficial Society of the City of Wilmington,"

Reported back the bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill was taken up for consideration, and read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass 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, Frame, Green, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

"An act to incorporate the Marbleton Quarry Company,"

Reported back the bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill was taken up for consideration, read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass 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, Broadway, Collins, Frame, Green, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Wilds 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,

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

MONDAY, January 25, 1875—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The joint rules reported from the joint committee on the preservation of the Capitol Building,

Were taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The papers accompanying said report were read.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The joint rules were read, as follows :

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met :

The joint committee appointed to draft rules for the government and preservation of the Capitol Building, beg leave to submit the following report, and recommend its adoption :

RULE 1. No smoking allowed in either room of the General Assembly.

RULE 2. Each room to be opened at 8 o'clock, A. M., closed at 12½ P. M., opened at 1½, closed at 6, opened at 7 and closed at 10½ o'clock, P. M.

RULE 3. All unruly persons shall be excluded from the building.

RULE 4. Officers and ex-officers of this or any other State government, members and ex-members of Congress, also members and ex-members of Legislature shall be admitted to the floor of either House.

RULE 5. That a Librarian be appointed to take charge of the Library, and also the entire building, and not keep the Library opened more than four hours per day.

RULE 6. That the compensation of Librarian, &c., be fixed at \$300 per annum.

RULE 7. That we recommend C. C. Fulton as Librarian and Custodian of the entire building.

RULE 8. That the Librarian, in company with a committee for that purpose, make an inventory of all furniture, books, and other property in the building belonging to the State, and he be responsible therefor.

RULE 9. And that he be directed, if requested by the Governor or Secretary of State, to take charge of their respective offices during their absence.

RULE 10. That he keep a correct register of all books taken from the Library, and require the return of the same within one month, if ordered by any one of the judiciary; if otherwise, within ten days.

RULE 11. That Hon. W. M. Shakespeare be hereby empowered to purchase such things as may be necessary for the use of the Capitol Building, and also have a general supervision of the building and contents, and have the power to remove the Librarian and appoint a person to fill the vacancy, provided the Librarian should fail to perform his duty in carrying out the provisions of these rules.

WM. M. SHAKESPEARE,
JAS. H. RAY,
LEANDER F. RIDDLE,

Joint Committee on part of the Senate.

THOS. C. GREEN,
ISAAC C. PYLE,
WEBSTER D. LEARNED,

Joint Committee on part of the House.

Mr. Nowland moved

That the rules be considered *seriatim*,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Whereupon,

Mr. Phillips moved

That Rule 1 be adopted,

And,

On the question, "Shall Rule 1 be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Conwell, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Mc-
Neal, Pyle, Todd and Voshell—9.

Nays—Messrs. Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Lambden, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—10.

So the motion was *Lost*,

And Rule 1 was *Lost*.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Rule 2 was *Adopted*.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

Rule 3 was *Adopted*.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

Rule 4 was *Adopted*.

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

Rule 5 was *Adopted*.

On motion of Mr. Conwell,

Rule 6 was *Adopted*.

Mr. Houston moved that Rule 7 be adopted,

And, on the question "Shall Rule 7 be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Baldwin, Collins, Conwell, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, Nowland and Pyle—10.

Nays—Messrs. Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—10.

So the motion was *Lost*,

And Rule 7 was *Lost*.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

Rule 8 was *Adopted*.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Rule 9 was *Adopted*.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Rule 10 was *Adopted*.

Mr. Bird moved that the consideration of Rule 11 be postponed until Thursday,

Which motion was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Todd,

Rule 11 was indefinitely

Postponed.

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

"An act to ratify a Constitutional Amendment."

Mr. Grubb, Secretary of State, being admitted, informed the House that he had presented to the Senate certain resolutions passed by the Legislatures of Ohio and Virginia and transmitted to the Governor of Delaware by the Governors of those States, for the consideration of the General Assembly.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, presented the resolutions from Ohio and Virginia in relation to the late conduct of United States officials in Louisiana.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The resolutions were read.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The resolutions were entered upon the journal, as follows :

JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to the Expulsion of Officers and Members of the Louisiana Legislature.

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the recent expulsion of the members and officers of the Louisiana House of Representatives by an armed force of United States soldiers, after the body had been duly organized in a manner similar to that which the Courts of the State had pronounced lawful and proper, was an outrage utterly defenseless in its atrocity and calls for the severest censure and punishment on all its actors, aiders and abettors.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to furnish a copy of this resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress and to the Governors of the several States.

Passed January 14, 1875.

GEO. L. CONVERSE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

ALPHONSO HART,

President of the Senate.

THE STATE OF OHIO,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE. }

I, William Bell, Jr., Secretary of State of the State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of joint resolution therein named, passed by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio on the 14th day of January, A. D. 1875, taken from the original rolls on file in this office.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name
[SEAL] and affixed the seal of this office, at Columbus, the 15th day of January, A. D. 1875.

WM. BELL, JR.,
Secretary of State.

JOINT RESOLUTION

In relation to the late conduct of United States officials in Louisiana.

Viewing the recent conduct of United States officials in the State of Louisiana, in taking possession of its State House and assuming to control the organization of its Legislature, by the forcible expulsion of certain members who had been admitted to seats by that body, as a gross and wanton usurpation of power; which cannot safely be allowed to pass without disapproval and remonstrance, lest a precedent be established which would lead inevitably to the overthrow of our republican institutions; therefore

The General Assembly of Virginia, in the name of the people of Virginia, records its solemn protest against such unwarranted and revolutionary proceedings, by means of which a State of the Union has been deprived of the sacred right of self-government and of that control of its domestic affairs guaranteed by the Federal compact, which has been exercised without question by other States, and ever been held essential to the maintenance of peace and good government.

We have observed with profoundest admiration the patience and fortitude with which the people of Louisiana have borne themselves under circumstances well calculated to provoke excited action; and inasmuch as the principle of popular representation, so grossly violated in their case, is one in whose defense the other States of the Union are equally interested, we cherish the hope that their wrongs will be redressed and their rights amply vindicated by the freemen of the country, without distinction of section or party.

Resolved, That a copy of this paper be transmitted to our Senators and Representatives in Congress and to the Governors of the

States of the Union, with the request that they communicate the same to their Legislatures.

A copy—Teste :

J. BELL BIGGER,

Clerk of the House of Delegates and Keeper of the Rolls of Virginia.

January 15, 1875.

Mr. Baldwin presented a joint resolution appropriating seven hundred dollars to pay the contingent expenses of the Secretary of State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Bird presented an additional petition of the Trustees of the Poor of New Castle county, asking for the passage of a law providing for the appointment of two additional Trustees.

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to provide two additional Trustees of the Poor for Wilmington hundred,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill entitled,

"An act to cede to the United States title to and jurisdiction over lands for sites of light-houses, beacons, life-saving stations, or other aids to navigation within the limits of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Voshell presented joint resolution in relation to the practicality of increasing the revenue of the State derived from fixed investments, &c.,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Collins,

Was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

Was referred to a special committee of three.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Voshell, Pyle and Frame were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act authorizing John T. Moore to change a certain public road on his own lands,"

Was read a first time.

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

"An act to perfect the title of James S. Massey and Annie Massey in certain lands conveyed to them by Joseph Savage and wife."

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the Recorder of Deeds in and for New Castle county to procure a new seal of office,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to change the time of holding the Court of Chancery and Orphans' Court in 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. Pyle gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A supplement to an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the New Castle County Insurance Company;'"

Also,

"An act to further amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Artizan's Savings Bank.'"

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act transferring the home and mansion farm of Isaac G. Phillips from School District No. 168, in Sussex county, to School District No. 50, in Sussex county,"

Was read.

Mr. Lambden, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act changing the place of holding elections in Broad Creek hundred, 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 prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 49, in New Castle county."

Mr. Todd, chairman of the special committee to whom was referred so much of the Governor's Message as refers to the Assessment and Collection of Taxes, asked for further time to report.

There being no objection, the request was granted.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to reincorporate Keokuk Tribe, No. 3, Improved Order of Red Men of the State of Delaware, in the City of Wilmington,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Houston offered an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend Section 1 by striking out, after the word "Wilmington," in the twelfth line, the words "as at present said Keokuk Tribe may be constituted," and insert in lieu thereof the following named persons as corporators, to wit : "Joseph Pyle, Samuel L. Rogers, William McLaughlin, Alexander Chairs, John Bowers, Edwin Hirst, Geo. K. Yates, Lewis Yonker, Charles A. Brickel, Samuel Shepheard, F. W. Taylor, Wm. W. Hickman, Wm. H. Brady, Jerman J. McMullen, A. C. Schwalmeyer, Wm. H. Beckley, Edwin Lewis, Hugh Meredith, Nathan Lieberman, John Aspin, Joseph H. Burtley, James H. Showalter, Francis R. Irons,"

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was

Adopted,

And, on his further motion,

The amendment was read a first time,

And further,

On his motion,

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

And, on his further motion,

The bill was read a third time, as amended, 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, 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.

On motion,

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

TUESDAY, January 26, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Bird asked leave of absence for one day.

There being no objection, leave was granted.

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 to incorporate Hiram Lodge, No. 21, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Seaford, Delaware."

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the Clerk of the Orphans' Court in and for New Castle county to make a certain index,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Bird, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 49, New Castle county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Was read.

Mr. Biggs presented a joint resolution in relation to the Peach Growers and the Presidents of various Railroad Companies, &c.,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The joint resolution was

Adopted.

Whereupon,

The following committee was appointed by the Speaker, on the part of the House, to confer with said peach growers and railroad presidents, viz: Messrs. Biggs, Collins, Lambden, Nowland, Wilds, Conwell and Baldwin.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Baldwin, Chairman of the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the

"Joint resolution appropriating seven hundred dollars to pay the contingent expenses of the office of Secretary of State,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment,

And,

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The joint resolution was read,

And further,

On his motion,

The joint resolution was

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Bird, on behalf of the Committee on the Centennial Anniversary, reported progress, and asked for further time,

Which was granted.

Mr. Wilds, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Collins,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

Was read.

Mr. Nowland presented the remonstrance of Thomas S. Eaton and fifty-eight others, in reference to the proposed fish law,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Mr. Bird presented a similar remonstrance of Matthew Bigger and others,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the same committee.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act authorizing John T. Moore to straighten and change a certain public road on his own land, in Little Creek hundred, in Sussex county, and to place gates across the same,"

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

Mr. Wilds, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to revive and extend the time for recording private acts,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

Was read.

Mr. Grubb, Secretary of State, being admitted, informed the House that by direction of His Excellency, the Governor, he had presented to the Senate, for the use of both Houses, the Conservative Memorial of the House of Representatives of Louisiana to the Congress of the United States.

Mr. Conwell presented the petition of Andrew J. Holland and others, praying for the repeal of the stock law in School District No. 11, Broadkilm hundred, Sussex county,

Which,

On his motion,

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

Mr. Conwell also presented a remonstrance against the repeal of the stock law in School District No. 11, Broadkilm hundred, Sussex county,

Which,

On his motion,

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

Mr. Biggs presented the petition of J. W. Cooch and others, for a stock law in School District No. 54, New Castle county, and in so much of School District No. 43 as lies in Pencader hundred,

Which,

On his motion,

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

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

"An act for the appointment of an additional Justice of the Peace, to reside in New Castle county."

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate joint resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay Robert Granlees \$300 for lost coupons,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

The resolution was

Concurred in.

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

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, asked leave to retire.

There being no objection, leave was granted.

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to ratify a proposed amendment to the Constitution of this State,"

Was read.

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 an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Artizan's Savings Bank,'"

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,

"A supplement to an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the New Castle County Insurance Company,'"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

Mr. Broadaway, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Green,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to perfect the title of James T. Massey and Annie E. Massey in certain lands conveyed to them by Joseph Savage and wife,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act transferring the home and mansion farm of Isaac G. Phillips from School District No. 168, in Sussex county, to School District No. 50, in Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The bill entitled,

"An act to change the place of holding elections in Broad Creek hundred, in Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Lambden, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act providing for a Commissioner of the Levy Court and Court of Appeals for Gumboro' hundred, Sussex county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

Was read.

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

"An act to incorporate the Diamond State Fire and Marine Insurance Company,"

Reported the bill 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, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell and Wilds—18.

Nay—Mr. Speaker—1.

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 to incorporate the Underwriters' Agency of Delaware,"

Reported the bill 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?"

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Yeas—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—Messrs. Nowland and Voshell—2.

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 to incorporate the West-end Club Stables of Wilmington, 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, Broadway, Collins, Corwell, Green, Houston, Learned, Lambden, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—Messrs. Hanby, McNeal and Voshell—3.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Hanby moved that the House adjourn.

And, on the question, "Shall the House now adjourn?"

Mr. Todd called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bird, Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Green, Hanby, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—15.

Nays—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Houston and Nowland—4.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

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

"An act to prevent stock from running at large in School District No. 83, in New Castle county,"

And that the Senate had concurred in the House joint resolution appointing a joint committee to confer with the peach growers and Presidents of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad and the Delaware Railroad, and had appointed Messrs. Ray, Davis, Shakespeare and Moore committee on the part of the Senate.

He also presented Senate joint resolution directing his Excellency, the Governor of this State, to have printed copies of the joint resolution in relation to Federal interference in the State of Louisiana, and to send one copy to the Governor of each State.

He also presented the conservative memorial of Speaker Wiltz and members of the Louisiana Legislature to the U. S. Senate and House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The memorial just received was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Was ordered to be placed in the hands of the Secretary of State for preservation.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate joint resolution directing his Excellency, the Governor of this State, to have printed copies of the resolutions in regard to Louisiana, and to send one copy to the Governor of each State,

Was read and

Adopted.

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

Mr. Baldwin offered a joint resolution referring so much of the Governor's Inaugural Address as relates to the question of representation to a joint committee of five on the part of the House and three on the part of the Senate,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And further,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was

Adopted.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Biggs, Broadaway, J. W. Phillips, Pyle and Learned were appointed said committee on the part of the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

"An act to Protect the Navigation of Christiana River,"

Reported the same back with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The amendment was read a first time.

Mr. Houston moved

That Rule 12 be suspended,

Which motion

Prevailed,

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was read a second time,

And, on his further motion,

The amendment was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

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

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Biggs presented the petition of Samuel Frazer and others, praying for the passage of a stock law for School District No. 56, in New Castle county,

Which,

On his motion,

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

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 prohibiting live stock from running at large within certain limits in Broad Creek hundred, Sussex county, Delaware,"

And presented the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had non-concurred in the House amendments to the report of the special joint committee on the regulation and preservation of the Capitol Building.

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

"An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 56, in Sussex county."

Mr. Nowland moved

That the House insist on its amendment to the report of the joint special committee on the regulation and preservation of the Capitol Building,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Whereupon,

On motion of Mr. Houston,

A committee of conference was asked for,

And Messrs. Houston, Nowland and Collins were appointed said committee on the part of the House.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Vulcanized Fiber Company of Wilmington, Delaware,"

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 amend Chapter 36 of the Revised Statutes,"

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

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

"An act to incorporate Wilmington Division, No. 1, Sons of Temperance, of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The amendment was read a first time,

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was read a second time,

And

Adopted.

Whereupon,

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, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell and Mr. Speaker
—18.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,
And the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

"An act to incorporate the Grand Division of Sons of Temperance of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was read a second time,

And

Adopted.

Whereupon,

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, Broadway, Collins, Conwell, 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 question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Biggs, on the part of the committee to settle with the State Treasurer, asked leave to retire.

There being no objection, the committee retired.

Mr. Nowland moved that the House do now adjourn;

Which motion was

Lost.

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 relief of Mutual Fire Insurance Companies."

On motion,

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

WEDNESDAY, January 27, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Biggs asked to be excused from serving on the special committee to whom was referred so much of the Governor's Inaugural Address as relates to the question of representation.

There being no objection he was excused, and Mr. Baldwin was appointed to fill his place.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to ratify a proposed amendment to the Constitution of this State,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Collins, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act for the appointment of an additional Justice of the Peace in New Castle county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Collins,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within certain limits in Broad Creek hundred, Sussex county, Delaware,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act relating to the recording of leases of the Potter Charity estate,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The bill entitled,

"An act to perfect the title of James T. Massey and Annie Massey in certain lands conveyed to them by Joseph Savage and wife."

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The petition accompanying the bill was read.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill entitled,

"An act to cede to the United States title to and jurisdiction over land for sites of light-houses, beacons, life-saving stations, or other aids to navigation within the limits of the State of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill was read.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill was referred to a special committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Nowland, Houston and Todd.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of Mutual Fire Insurance Companies,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Todd, Chairman of the Committee on Roads and Highways, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to prevent stock from running at large in School District No. 56, New Castle county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

Was read.

Mr. Pyle presented the petition of the Wilmington and Western Railroad Company, asking State aid,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Todd presented the petition of Robert M. Hewes and others praying for the passage of an act to lay out a new public road in Dover hundred,

Which,

On his motion,

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

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the New Castle County Insurance Company,'"

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 an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Artizan's Savings Bank,'"

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

Mr. Houston presented the petition of Alfred Walton and 221 others, praying for State aid to complete the Wilmington and Western Railroad,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

The bill entitled,

"An act making dogs personal property and for their better protection in the consolidated School Districts Nos. 39 and 41, in Newark and vicinity, in New Castle county,"

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, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Green, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Pyle, Todd and Wilds—13.

Nays—Messrs. Hanby, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—3.

Messrs. Nowland and G. H. Phillips asked to be excused from voting.

There being no objection, they were excused.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Houston asked leave of absence for one day.

There being no objection, leave was granted.

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

"An act to cede to the United States title to and jurisdiction over lands for sites of light-houses, beacons, life-saving stations, or other aids to navigation within the limits of the State of Delaware,"

Asked leave to retire.

There being no objection, the committee retired.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act transferring the home and mansion farm of Isaac G. Phillips from School District No. 168, in Sussex county, to School District No. 50, in Sussex county,"

Was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill was read for the information of the House.

Whereupon,

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

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. Lambden, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to change the place of holding elections in Gumborough hundred, in Sussex county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

Was read.

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

"An act to cede to the United States title to and jurisdiction over lands for sites of light-houses, beacons, life-saving stations, or other aid to navigation within the limits of the State of Delaware,"

Reported the same back without amendment.

Whereupon,

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill just reported to the House 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, Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds 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,

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. Biggs,

The vote by which the bill entitled,

“An act making dogs personal property and for their better protection in the consolidated School Districts Nos. 39 and 41, Newark and vicinity, New Castle county,”

Was reconsidered,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill was referred to a special committee of three.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Biggs, Wilds and Baldwin were appointed said committee.

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 12 of the Revised Code, as published in the Code of 1874, entitled, ‘Of Collectors.’ ”

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 to incorporate Hiram Lodge, No. 21, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Seaford, Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

Was read.

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

"An act to incorporate Evening Star Council, No. 1, S. and D. of A., of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment.

Whereupon,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

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, Learned, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—Messrs. Hanby, Lambden and McNeal—3.

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 providing for a Commissioner of the Levy Court and Court of Appeals for Gumborough hundred, in Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title.

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

"An act to incorporate the Vulcanized Fiber 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, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, 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.

Mr. Todd presented sundry petitions for the division of Dover hundred,

Which,

On his motion,

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

Whereupon,

Messrs. Todd, Biggs and Frame were appointed said committee.

Mr. Voshell, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

Rule 12 was unanimously suspended and the bill entitled,

"An act providing for a Commissioner of the Levy Court and Court of Appeals for Gumboro' hundred, Sussex county,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Broadaway presented the petition of John Slay and others, praying for a division of Dover hundred,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the special committee already raised on this subject.

Mr. McNeal presented the petition of Hannah Hitchins, praying for a divorce from her husband, Peter Hitchins,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to a special committee of three.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Conwell, Voshell and Broadaway were appointed said committee.

Mr. Nowland presented the petition of Sarah C. Watson, of New Castle county, praying for a divorce from her husband, William A. Watson,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Nowland moved

That the petition be referred to a special committee,

And, on the question, "Shall the petition be so referred?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

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

Nays—Messrs. Green and Mr. Speaker—2.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the petition was so referred.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Conwell, Voshell and Broadaway were appointed said committee.

Mr. Biggs presented the petition of John G. Crompton, praying for a divorce from his wife, Ann Catharine Crompton,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The petitions of Maranda A. Taylor and Martha W. Ellis were referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Voshell, Conwell and Broadaway.

On motion,

Adjourned till ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, January 28, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the Clerk of the Orphans' Court in and for New Castle county to make a certain index,"

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 motion of Mr. Nowland,

The consideration thereof was postponed until 3 o'clock, P. M., to-day.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate Hiram Lodge, No. 21, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Seaford, Delaware,"

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

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The vote by which the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Vulcanized Fiber Company of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Passed the House was reconsidered,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Pyle offered an amendment,

Which was read, as follows :

Amend the bill as follows : In Section 6, in 21st line, by inserting the word "preferred" after the word "such" and before the word "stock."

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended,

And the amendment was read a second time,

And

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

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, Hanby, 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. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had complied with the request of the House and had appointed Messrs. Ray, Shakespeare and Causey a committee on the part of the Senate to confer with the committee on the part of the House on the House amendments to the report of the special joint committee on the regulation and preservation of the Capitol Building.

He also returned to the House the House joint resolution appointing a joint committee on so much of the Governor's Inaugural Address as relates to the question of representation, with the information that the Senate had concurred therein, and that Messrs. Ray,

Shakespeare and Moore had been appointed said committee on the part of the Senate.

Also the House joint resolution appropriating seven hundred dollars to pay the contingent expenses of the office of the Secretary of State, the Senate having concurred therein.

Also the following House bills, in which the Senate had concurred, viz :

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to extend the time for Recording of Deeds;'"

"An act to authorize the Recorder of Deeds in and for New Castle county to procure a new seal of office;"

"An act to provide two additional Trustees of the Poor for Wilmington hundred;"

"An act providing for a Commissioner of the Levy Court and Court of Appeals for Gumborough hundred, in Sussex county."

Also the following House bill in which the Senate had concurred with an amendment, to wit :

"An act to incorporate the Sussex County Insurance Company,"

And requested the concurrence of the House in said amendment.

Also, the following joint resolutions, which had been adopted by the Senate, to wit :

"Joint resolution inviting Rev. Cyrus Huntington to address the General Assembly," and a

"Joint resolution in relation to the publication of Equity cases,"

And requested the concurrence of the House in the same.

He also returned to the House the following enrolled House joint resolutions, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, to wit :

"Joint resolution appointing a joint committee to make suitable arrangements for the inauguration of the Governor elect;"

"Joint resolution convening the two Houses in joint meeting on Tuesday, the 19th inst., to attend His Excellency, the Governor elect, while the oaths of office are being administered to him;"

"Joint resolution in relation to having each day's proceedings published," and

"Joint resolution appointing a joint committee to examine the accounts of the State Treasurer."

He also presented to the House for the signature of the Speaker of the House the following enrolled Senate bills and joint resolutions, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, to wit :

"An act to prohibit live stock from running on the highway in School District No. 81, in New Castle county,"

"An act to change the time of holding the Court of Chancery and Orphans' Court in Sussex county,"

"An act to reincorporate Keokuk Tribe, No. 3, Improved Order of Red Men, of the State of Delaware, in the City of Wilmington,"

"Joint resolution authorizing the joint committee to purchase a State flag," and

"Joint resolution in relation to the proposed Constitutional Amendment."

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 Clayton Fire and Marine Insurance Company, Wilmington, Delaware."

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 49, in New Castle county,"

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

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 extension of the boundaries of Red Lion hundred, in New Castle county."

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

"An act authorizing John T. Moore to straighten and change a certain public road on his own land, in Little Creek hundred, in Sussex county, and to place gates across the same,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment.

Mr. Todd, from same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 91, in Sussex county,"

Reported the bill back to the House without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act authorizing John T. Moore to straighten and change a certain public road on his own land, in Little Creek hundred, in Sussex county, and to place gates across the same,"

Was read for the information of the House.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

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?"

Mr. Broadaway called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Collins, Conwell, Green, Learned, Lambden, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Todd and Wilds—11.

Nays—Messrs. Broadaway, Frame, Hanby, McNeal, Nowland, Pyle, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—8.

So the question 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. Bird presented a petition from Alfred Lofland and others for the passage of

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 49, New Castle county,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred, with the bill, to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The bill entitled,

"An act to prevent stock from running at large in School District No. 56, New Castle county,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Biggs, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to restrain certain animals from running at large in School District No. 54, Pencader hundred, and that portion of District No. 43 lying in Pencader hundred, New Castle county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"An act to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 91, in Sussex county,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

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

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Broadaway presented the petition of James T. Massey, praying for the passage of the act to perfect his title to certain lands,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The bill entitled,

"An act to perfect the title of James T. Massey and Annie E. Massey in certain lands conveyed to them by Joseph Savage and wife,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Todd, Chairman of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of J. W. Cooch and others, for the passage of an act to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 54, Pencader hundred, New Castle county, reported a bill.

On motion of Mr. Collins,

The bill entitled,

"An act for the appointment of an additional Justice of the Peace in New Castle county,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Baldwin presented the petition of the Wilmington and Western Railroad Company,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Biggs moved that the previous petitions from the same company be referred to the same committee,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to ratify a proposed amendment to the Constitution of this State,"

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, Hanby, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

And 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 Senate bill entitled,

"An act relating to the recording of leases of the Potter Charity Estate,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within certain limits in Broad Creek hundred, Sussex county, Delaware,"

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

Mr. Lambden presented the remonstrance of John C. Chipman and others, against the passage of the act prohibiting live stock from running at large within certain limits in Broad Creek hundred, Sussex county,

Which,

On his motion,

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

Mr. Wilds presented the petition of Matthew Hazell and others, praying for the passage of an act compelling persons living along the line of the Jamison Branch Ditch to cut and keep clean said ditch,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to a special committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Learned, G. H. Phillips and Todd.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The Senate amendment to the House bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Sussex County Insurance Company,"

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended, and

The amendment was read and

Concurred in.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The Senate joint resolution appointing a joint committee to invite Rev. Cyrus Huntington to address the General Assembly,

Was read and

Concurred in.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Learned, Hanby and Lambden were appointed, in pursuance of said resolution, a committee on the part of the House.

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

Mr. Pyle offered a joint resolution appointing Directors for the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and

Adopted.

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.

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

“An act providing for a Commissioner of the Levy Court and Court of Appeal for Gumborough hundred.”

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill entitled,

“An act to authorize the Clerk of the Orphans' Court in and for New Castle county to make a certain index,”

Was read for the information of the House.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

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, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, Lambden, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—15.

Nays—Messrs. Biggs, Broadway, McNeal, Nowland, Todd and Voshell—6.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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 to enable Robert Lambden to locate certain vacant land and complete his title to the same,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

Was read.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, returned the following enrolled House joint resolution with the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz :

"Joint resolution appropriating seven hundred dollars to pay the contingent expenses of the office of Secretary of State."

Mr. Todd, Chairman of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens for the repeal of the stock law in School District No. 11, Sussex county, reported that the committee deemed it inexpedient to repeal said law:

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The bill entitled,

"An act to preserve the purity of the ballot,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to a special committee of three.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Wilds, J. W. Phillips and Nowland were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The bill entitled,

"An act to change the place of holding elections in Broad Creek hundred, in Sussex county,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Frame presented the petition of Sarah M. Adkins, praying for a divorce from her husband, Henry Adkins,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The bill entitled,

"An act to change the place of holding elections in Gumborough hundred, in Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title.

The Speaker asked leave of absence for one day.

There being no objection, leave was granted.

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The bill entitled,

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

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

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

"An act to amend Chapter 36 of the Revised Statutes,"

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

He also reported back to the House the bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 23 of Chapter 111 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware of 1852, with the amendments thereto as arranged and published in 1874,"

With an amendment.

He also asked and obtained further time to report on the bill entitled,

"An act to establish an inferior court to be entitled the Court of Quarter Sessions of New Castle County."

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The amendment offered by the committee to the bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 23 of Chapter 111 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware of 1852, with the amendments thereto, as arranged and published in 1874,"

Was read, as follows :

Amend the bill by inserting, after the word "dollar," in the seventeenth line, the words "twenty-five cents."

Also amend in line twenty-third by striking out "this State," and inserting in lieu thereof "the county where said property is situated,"

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 was made the special order for Monday next, at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, returned the following enrolled House bill with the signature of the Speaker of the Senate thereto, to wit :

"An act providing for a Commissioner of the Levy Court and Court of Appeals for Gumborough hundred, in Sussex county."

Mr. Nowland, chairman of the special committee to whom was referred the petitions in relation to the fishery laws, asked for further time to report, which was granted.

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 Delaware Board of Directors of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company of Maine as the Delaware Agency of said company."

Mr. Learned, on behalf of the Committee on Vacant Lands, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to enable Jacob G. Cannon to locate certain vacant land and complete his title to the same,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment.

On his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration.

And further,

On his motion,

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

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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 12 of the Revised Code, as published in the Code of 1874, entitled "Of Collectors."

Which,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

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 prescribing punishment for certain offenses."

Mr. Hanby asked leave of absence for one day.

There being no objection, leave was granted.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The bill entitled,

"An act to exempt wages from execution attachment process,"

Was taken up for consideration and read, with the Senate amendments.

Whereupon,

Mr. Frame moved

That the House non-concur in the amendment striking out the words "New Castle county" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "this State."

And,

On the question, "Shall the House non-concur in the amendment?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Houston, Lambden, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Todd, Voshell and Wilds—12.

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

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the Senate amendment was *Non-concurred in.*

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The additional Senate amendment was read, as follows : "All laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed, made null and void,".

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was *Concurred in.*

On motion,

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

FRIDAY, January 29, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr Nowland,

Mr. Broadaway was appointed Speaker *pro tempore*.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"An act to enable Robert Lambden to locate certain vacant land and complete his title to the same,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. J. W. Phillips offered a joint resolution appointing Thomas B. Giles State Treasurer,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And,

On the question, "Shall the resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell and Wilds—18.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the joint resolution was

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Collins offered a joint resolution appointing Nathan Pratt State Auditor of Accounts,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And,

On the question, "Shall the resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Learned, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell and Wilds—18.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the joint resolution was

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Bird, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Was read.

Mr. Nowland, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act prescribing punishment for certain offenses,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

Was read.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House joint resolutions, to wit:

"Joint resolution appointing Thomas B. Giles State Treasurer,"

"Joint resolution appointing Nathan Pratt State Auditor."

Mr. Nowland, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Capitol Building, asked for further time to report.

There being no objection, further time was granted.

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The bill entitled,

"An act to prevent stock from running at large in School District No. 56, in New Castle county,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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 Delaware Board of Directors of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company of Maine as the Delaware Agency of said Company,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House joint resolution adjourning both Houses *sine die* on Friday, Feb. 19th, next, with an amendirent,

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Collins,

The Senate amendment was read and

Adopted.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

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 Clayton Fire and Marine Insurance Company of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The bill entitled,

"An act to revive and extend the time for recording private acts,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend the act entitled 'An act to provide for the recording of leases of the Potter Charity Estate,' passed at Dover, March 28, 1873,"

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. Conwell offered a resolution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

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

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and

Adopted.

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

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within certain limits in Broad Creek hundred, Sussex county, Delaware,"

Reported the bill back to the House with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The bill entitled,

"An act to restrain certain animals from running at large in School District No. 54, Pencader hundred, and that portion of District No. 43 lying in Pencader hundred, New Castle county,"

Was read a second time by its title.

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 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 for the appointment of an additional Justice of the Peace in New Castle county,"

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, Broadway, Frame, Green, Lambden, Nowland, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell and Wilds—11.

Nays—Messrs. Bird, Conwell, Learned, McNeal and Todd—5.

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

Was

Lost.

On motion,

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

MONDAY, February 1, 1875—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Speaker called for the special order, being the consideration of the bill entitled,

“An act to amend Section 23 of Chapter 111 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware of 1852, with the amendments thereto, as arranged and published in 1874.”

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill was referred to a special committee of five.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Nowland, Conwell, Pyle, Broadaway and Baldwin were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The vote by which the bill entitled,

“An act for the appointment of an additional Justice of the Peace in New Castle county,”

Was lost, was reconsidered, and,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The bill was laid on the table.

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 to incorporate the Rehoboth Hotel Company ;"

"An act making the First day of January and the Twenty-second day of February legal holidays ;"

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within the limits of School Districts Nos. 46 and 133, in Sussex county," and

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

And presented the same to the House.

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

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 68, New Castle county."

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

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

Messrs. Nowland, Holcomb and Pyle presented sundry petitions to extend to the colored people of New Castle county the same school facilities that are extended to others for the establishment of separate free schools,

Which were read and referred to the Committee on Education.

The Speaker presented a memorial from Peter S. Blake on the same subject,

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

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 to prohibit stock from running at large in Seaford hundred, in Sussex county."

Mr. J. W. Phillips presented a petition from citizens of Northwest Fork hundred, Sussex county, praying for a change of the School Law of the State,

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The bill entitled,

"An act to restrain certain animals from running at large in School District No. 54, Pencader hundred, and that portion of School District No. 43 lying in Pencader hundred, New Castle county,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

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

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

Rule 12 was suspended,

And the amendment was read a second time,

And

Adopted.

And further,

On his 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?"

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill was recommitted to the Committee on Corporations.

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 Section 3 of Chapter 57 of the Revised Statutes of 1852, as published in 1874."

Mr. Pyle presented a petition asking the amendment of the Laws of Trespass for the protection of farmers,

Which,

On his motion,

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

Whereupon,

Messrs. Pyle, Learned and Frame were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill entitled,

"An act entitled an act prescribing punishment for certain offenses,"

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

Mr. Pyle presented the petition of John H. Walraven and others, for aid in the extension of the Wilmington and Western Railroad,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Pyle presented the petition of citizens of School Districts Nos. 25, 27 and 28, asking for the passage of an act to prevent live stock from running at large in said school districts,

Which,

On his motion,

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

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"An act to enable Robert Lambden to locate certain vacant land and complete his title to the same,"

Was referred to the Committee on Vacant Lands.

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

"An act directing the publication of the act entitled, 'An act authorizing the City of Wilmington to issue its bonds to meet a portion of the expense of widening Water Street and Railroad Avenue in said city;'"

Also,

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

Also,

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

Also,

"An act to incorporate the Diamond State Spring Company;"

Also,

"A supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Western Car Company,' passed at Dover, April 2, 1873;"

Also,

"An act to incorporate the Knights of St. Lawrence Beneficial Society of Wilmington, Delaware;"

Also,

"An act to incorporate the Union Fraternalle Francaise de Mutuels Secours de Wilmington."

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

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

Was read a second time by its title and referred to a special committee of three,

Whereupon,

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

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within the limits of School Districts Nos. 46 and 133, in Sussex county,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The petition accompanying said bill was read.

Mr. Baldwin presented the petition of tax-payers of School Districts Nos. 39 and 41 asking for the passage of the act entitled,

"An act making dogs personal property and for their better protection in the consolidated School Districts Nos. 39 and 41, Newark and vicinity, New Castle county,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the special committee to whom the bill was referred.

Mr. Wilds, Chairman of the Committee on Enrollment, in behalf of said committee, reported the following Senate bills as duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, to wit :

"An act to reincorporate Keokuk Tribe, No. 3, Improved Order of Red Men, of the State of Delaware, in the City of Wilmington,"

"An act to change the time of holding the Court of Chancery and Orphans' Court in Sussex county."

He also presented the following Senate joint resolution, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz :

"Joint resolution in relation to the proposed Constitutional Amendment."

He also presented the following enrolled House bills and joint resolutions for the signature of the Speaker of the House, viz :

"An act to prevent stock from running at large in School District No. 83, in New Castle county ;"

"Joint resolution appointing a joint committee to confer with peach growers and presidents of railroad companies ;"

"Joint resolution concerning Volume 14 of Delaware Laws ;"

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to extend the time for Recording of Deeds,' " and

"An act to authorize the Recorder of Deeds in and for New Castle county to procure a new seal of office."

On motion,

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

TUESDAY, February 2, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

"An act to incorporate Wilmington Division, No. 1, Sons of Temperance, of Wilmington, Delaware;"

"An act to incorporate the Grand Division of Sons of Temperance of Delaware;"

"An act to incorporate the St. Peter's Female Beneficial Society of the City of Wilmington, Delaware," and

"An act to incorporate the West-end Club Stables, of Wilmington, Delaware."

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

"An act to incorporate the Underwriters' Agency of Delaware,"

With an amendment, and requested the concurrence of the House in the same.

He also informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend the 3d section of the 14th Volume of the Laws of Delaware,"

And presented the same to the House.

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 to prohibit stock from running at large in Seaford hundred, Sussex county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act making the First day of January and the Twenty-second day of February legal holidays,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within the limits of School Districts Nos. 46 and 133, in Sussex county,"

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

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 Section 3 of Chapter 57 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware of 1852, as published in 1874,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend the 3d Section of the 24th Chapter of the 14th Volume 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. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act directing the publication of the act entitled 'An act authorizing the city of Wilmington to issue its bonds to meet a portion of the expense of widening Water Street and Railroad Avenue in said city,'"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The Senate bill entitled,

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

Was read.

Mr. Lambden presented a petition of Samuel Hearn for a divorce from his wife,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Divorces.

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

"An act to prevent stock from running at large in that part of School District No. 52, in New Castle county, lying south-easterly of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal."

Mr. Broadway gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce the following bills, to wit :

"An act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 65, Volume 12, Laws of Delaware,"

"An act to Tax Dogs for the Protection of Sheep and promote Education in Kent county."

On motion of Mr. Lambden,

The bill entitled,

"An act to change the place of holding elections in Gumborough hundred, in Sussex county,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Lambden was granted leave of absence for one day.

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 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 court."

Mr. Pyle, Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to alter and amend an act entitled, 'An act to raise Revenue for State and County purposes,'"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend Section 1 by inserting, after the word "assess," in second line, the following words : "and no tax shall be levied or collected on—"

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time

And

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

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

Pending the reading of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Holcomb,

The bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Rehoboth Hotel Company,"

Was read.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

The Speaker presented a petition of the Law Library Association of New Castle county asking for certain books,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

He thereupon offered a joint resolution authorizing the State Librarian to deliver to the Law Library Association of New Castle county certain Law and Equity Reports,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

The Speaker called up for consideration,

The bill entitled,

"An act to vacate parts of certain streets in the Town of New Castle,"

And offered an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Strike out all after the title and insert the following :

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met, That* the following described parts of streets in the town of New Castle, to wit : All that portion of Larkin street between Sixth street and the River Delaware, and all that portion of Union or Fifth street, and all that portion of Vine or Fourth street, between Johnson street and the line of Johns street, be and the same are hereby declared vacated.

SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted, That* nothing herein contained shall be taken or construed as vacating or authorizing the closing of any part of Washington avenue of the said town, but the same shall at all times remain an open highway and street in said town.

He also presented sundry papers from citizens of the Town of New Castle on the subject,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The amendment to the bill under consideration

Was

Adopted.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

Mr. Learned presented the petition of Jennie Barcus, praying for a divorce from her husband, James Barcus,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Divorces.

Mr. Pyle, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens of New Castle county, asking for the passage of an act amending the laws of trespass for the protection of farmers, reported a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Hanby,
 Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,
 "An act to incorporate the Diamond State Spring Company,"
 Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,
 Was read.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,
 Asked,
 And,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,
 "A supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the
 Western Car Company,' passed at Dover, April 2, 1873,"
 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 incorporate the Knights of St. Lawrence Beneficial
 Society of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,
 Was read.

Mr. Wilds, Chairman of the Committee on Enrollment, presented,
 or the signature of the Speaker of the House, the following House
 bills and joint resolutions as duly and correctly enrolled, viz :

"An act to incorporate the Sussex County Insurance Company ;"

"An act to incorporate the Peninsular Agricultural and Pomo-
 logical Association in New Castle county, State of Delaware ;"

"An act to provide two additional Trustees of the Poor for Wilmington hundred;"

"Joint resolution adjourning both Houses *sine die* on the 26th of February, 1875," and

"Joint resolution appointing Nathan Pratt Auditor of Accounts."

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Hanby,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Union Fraternelle Francaise de Mutuels Secours de Wilmington,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

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. Collins,

The Senate joint resolution in relation to the publication of Equity cases

Was read and

Adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

The bill entitled,

"An act to revive and extend the time for recording private acts,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And.

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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 to incorporate the Bridgeville Cemetery Company, of Bridgeville, Delaware ;"

Also,

"An act to prevent live stock from running at large in North-West Fork hundred, Sussex county, Delaware."

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had receded from amendment No. 2 to the bill entitled,

"An act to exempt wages from execution attachment process,"

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House

"Joint resolution appointing Directors for the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware,"

And returned the same to the House.

He also presented to the House the following bills passed by the Senate, to wit :

"An act entitled an act to prevent live stock from running at large in School Districts Nos. 51 and 148, in Sussex county," and

"An act to change the name of Sarah Ann Barker to Lula Annie Stevens,"

And requested the concurrence of the House in the same.

He also presented to the House, for their information, with a request that it be returned to the Senate, the report of the Fishery Commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Broadway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to change the name of Sarah Ann Barker to Lula Annie Stevens,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The report of the Fishery Committee was read and accepted,

And further,

On his motion,

The Clerk was ordered to copy the same in the journal.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met :

The undersigned, appointed Commissioners on the part of the State of Delaware under the joint resolution of the General Assembly of 1873, entitled, "Joint resolution with respect to the subject of difference between the State of New Jersey and this State, adopted at Dover, January 30, 1873," respectfully report :

That the Governor of this State having certified a copy of the said resolution to the Governor of the State of New Jersey, the Legislature of that State immediately passed a resolution authorizing the Governor to appoint three Commissioners, on the part of that State, to meet us to settle, if possible, the claim made by the State of New Jersey for the right of her citizens to fish in that part of the waters of the Delaware River within the limits of the twelve mile circle and eastward of the channel of said river; that the Honorable Abraham Browning, the Honorable Cortlandt Parker and Honorable Albert H. Slape were appointed such Commissioners upon the part of the State of New Jersey. The City Council of the City of Philadelphia having kindly invited the Commission to hold its sessions in that city, and offering the use of the chamber of their Select Council for that purpose, the invitation was so far accepted as to meet in Philadelphia. During the spring and summer of 1873 there were several meetings held, where the subject of difference between the two states was fully discussed, and several propositions for an amicable settlement submitted by us to the Commissioners from New Jersey. These propositions were not acceptable to the Commissioners from that State.

however, as they all recognized the title of the State of Delaware to low water mark upon the shore of New Jersey within the twelve mile circle. The Commissioners held one or two more meetings in the winter of 1874, and another in June last; but as the Commissioners from New Jersey announced that they based their right to fish within the waters aforesaid upon a claim of title to the middle of the river within the circle of twelve miles radius around the Town of New Castle, the Commissioners from the State of Delaware concluded to submit to them an argument in favor of the title of the State of Delaware to the land and waters embraced within the said twelve mile circle, which agreement is herewith submitted to your honorable bodies. We did this with the full knowledge that we had no power to settle or to submit to the Commissioners from New Jersey for settlement, any question of the title of this State to the River Delaware and the shore thereof within the limits of the said circle; power, in this respect, being expressly denied to and withheld from us by a subsequent joint resolution, adopted at Dover, February 14, 1873. But we made the adjournment upon the supposition that if title was shown it might be admitted by the New Jersey Commissioners, and thus the way opened for a settlement of the matters committed to us.

To this adjournment we have as yet received no reply from the Commissioners from the State of New Jersey; and as it is possible none will be received during your present session, we have thought it advisable to make and submit this report of what thus far has been done. We may state however, that we are satisfied that no settlement of the matter in dispute can with any confidence be anticipated under the present or any commission. The title of our State being denied by New Jersey, that State or ours must for a settlement of the question resort to the arbiter fixed by the Constitution of the United States, viz: The Supreme Court of the United States.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH P. COMEGYS,
WM. G. WHITELEY,
EDWARD L. MARTIN.

Dover, Feb. 2d, 1875.

Mr. Pyle presented a petition of 800 persons asking for an act for the education of colored people,

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Conwell, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, asked for farther time to report.

There being no objection, further time was granted.

Mr. Broadaway presented an invitation to the members of the General Assembly to attend a temperance meeting,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

Mr. Learned asked leave of absence for one day.

There being no objection, leave was granted.

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, presented the report of the Conference Committee on the joint rules for the preservation of the Capitol Building, with the information that the report had been adopted by the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole in secret session to consider the above report.

After some time spent in Committee of the Whole, the committee rose and reported to the House, as follows:

The Committee of the Whole beg leave to report to the House of Representatives their concurrence in the report of the Conference Committee of the two Houses, except as to Rule 7th, and further recommend that Rule 7th be struck out.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The report of the Conference Committee, except as to Rule 7,

Was

Adopted.

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

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within the limits of School Districts Nos. 46 and 133, in Sussex county,"

Reported the bill back to the House with an amendment.

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

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within certain limits in Broad Creek hundred, Sussex county, Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment.

He also reported back to the House the House bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 49, New Castle county,"

Without amendment.

On motion,

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

WEDNESDAY, February 3, 1875—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Broadaway presented sundry petitions in favor of a more stringent temperance law,

Which were read and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Messrs. G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips and Voshell presented petitions on the same subject,

Which were read and referred to the same committee.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The vote by which the temperance petitions were referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes was reconsidered,

And further, •

On his motion,

They were referred to a special committee of five, to be known and styled the Committee on Moral Reform,

Whereupon,

Messrs. J. W. Phillips, Bird, Biggs, McNeal and Wilds were appointed said committee.

Messrs. Frame and Conwell presented similar petitions,
Which were referred to the Committee of Moral Reform.

Mr. Collins, Chairman of the Committee on Revised Statutes, reported back to the House, without amendment, the following bills, to wit:

"An act entitled an act prescribing punishment for certain offenses;"

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

"An act to amend the 3d Section of the 24th Chapter of the 14th Volume of the Laws of Delaware."

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

"An act to incorporate Evening Star Council, No. 1, S. and D. of A., of Delaware,"

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

"An act to incorporate the Diamond State Fire and Marine Insurance Company."

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

"An act to incorporate Hiram Lodge, No. 21, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Seaford, Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

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, Hanby, 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 to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to amend the 3d Section of the 24th Chapter of the 14th Volume of the 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. J. W. Phillips, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Frame,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“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,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

Was read.

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

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Bridgeville Cemetery Company, of Bridgeville, Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within certain limits in Broad Creek hundred, Sussex county, Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The amendments reported from the Committee on Roads and Highways

Were read, as follows :

Amend Section 1 by striking out all between the word "at," in the sixth line, and the word "through," in the eighth line of said section, and insert "Laurel Bridge, and running with the public road through lands of Henry Clay Lewis and lands known as the Lazarus Turner place, and until it intersects the public road leading from the village of Concord to John Chipman's saw-mill."

Then strike out, after the word "Laurel," in the fourteenth line, the word "mill," and insert in place thereof the word "bridge."

Then strike out all after the word "Laurel," in the fourteenth line of said section, except the words "to the place of beginning," in the last line of said section.

Add to Section 5: "This act to take effect on the first day of November, A. D. 1875,"

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendments were read a second time

And

Adopted.

Mr. J. W. Phillips moved that the bill be laid on the table,

Which motion was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The bill was read a third time,

And pending the reading of the bill,

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The bill was postponed until Monday next at 3 o'clock, P. M.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 57 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware of 1852, as published in 1874,"

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 bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within the limits of School Districts Nos. 46 and 133, Sussex county,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment offered by the committee was read, as follows :

Amend the act by striking out every word therein relating to geese.

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended,

And the amendment was read a second time,

And

Adopted.

Mr. Frame presented two remonstrances against the passage of the bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill was postponed until Monday next at 3 o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Baldwin offered a joint resolution authorizing the Centennial Commissioners of this State to place the old State House Bell in a proper position during the Centennial celebration,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"An act to prohibit stock from running at large in Seaford hundred, in Sussex county,"

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

Mr. J. W. Phillips presented a petition praying for the passage of the act,

Which was read and referred to the same committee.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Rehoboth Hotel Company,"

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

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act making the First day of January and the Twenty-second day of February legal holidays,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb,

The bill entitled,

"An act to vacate parts of certain streets of the Town of New Castle,"

Was read a second time by its title.

He also presented a communication from certain persons asking to have their names withdrawn from the remonstrance against the passage of the bill.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to change the name of Sarah Ann Barker to Lula Annie Stevens,"

Was read a second time by its title.

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 read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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 to prevent live stock from running at large in North-West Fork hundred, Sussex county, Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

Was read.

Mr. Broadaway, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Green,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 65, Volume 12 of the Laws of Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to take into consideration the bill entitled,

"An act to alter and amend the act entitled 'An act to raise revenue for State and county purposes.'"

Mr. Broadaway in the chair.

Mr. Voshell offered an amendment to the bill under consideration,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

Mr. Voshell moved that the amendment be adopted,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The committee rose and Mr. Broadaway reported to the House that the committee had adopted an amendment,

Which was read, as follows :

SECTION 1. That from and after the passage of this act it shall not be lawful for any assessor in this State to assess, and no tax shall be levied and collected on any debt or debts due from debtors residing in this State secured by or due on judgments, decree, recognizance, mortgage or bond, for any purpose whatever.

SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this act shall not apply to nor exempt from taxation any bonds, mortgages, or any other obligation due or owing from any incorporated company in this State from any taxation whatever, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act be and the same is or are hereby repealed.

And,

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

Rule 12 was suspended,

And the amendment was read a second time,

And

Adopted.

And,

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

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, Hanby, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

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.

Mr. J. W. Phillips presented the petition of citizens of Seaford hundred for the passage of an act to prevent live stock from running at large in Seaford hundred,

Which,

On his motion,

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

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The vote by which the Senate bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in Broad Creek hundred, Sussex county,"

Was lost, was reconsidered,

And further,

On his motion,

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

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Nowland offered a joint resolution appointing a joint committee of one on the part of the Senate and one on the part of the House to provide for the repair of the portrait of the late Commodore Jones,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and

Adopted.

Whereupon,

Mr. Nowland was appointed said committee on the part of the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Nowland offered a resolution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Resolved, That a committee of three (3) be appointed, with powers incident to such committees, to examine and investigate, through witnesses, so as to discover, if possible, the person or persons who, on the night of February 2d, so disarranged and misplaced the furniture, &c., of the House, and report result of said investigation to the House.

And further,

On his motion,

The resolution was

Adopted.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Nowland, Todd and Conwell were appointed said committee.

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

"An act to establish a State Work House for all persons punishable with crime."

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 49, in New Castle county,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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 Wyoming Institute of Delaware, at Wyoming, Kent county, State of Delaware."

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The vote by which the bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within the limits of School Districts Nos. 46 and 133, in Sussex county,"

Was postponed until Monday next at 3 o'clock, P. M., was reconsidered,

And further,

On his motion,

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

Pending the reading,

Mr. Frame moved to recommit the bill to the Committee on Roads and Highways,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Clayton Fire and Marine Insurance Company, Wilmington, Delaware."

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 Delaware Board of Directors of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company of Maine as the Delaware Agency of said Company,"

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 directing the publication of the act entitled, 'An act authorizing the City of Wilmington to issue its bonds to meet a portion of the expense of widening Water Street and Railroad Avenue in said city,'"

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

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

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

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

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill entitled,

"An act prescribing punishment for certain offenses,"

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, Lambden, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, Pyle and Mr. Speaker—13.

Nays—Messrs. Hanby, McNeal, J. W. Phillips, Voshell and Wilds—5.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

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

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 Diamond State Spring Company,"

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

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

"An act making dogs personal property and for their better protection in the consolidated School Districts Nos. 39 and 41, in Newark and vicinity, in New Castle county,"

Reported the bill back to the House without amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

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, Lambden, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—Messrs. Hanby, McNeal and Voshell—3.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

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

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

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Western Car Company,' passed at Dover, April 2, 1873,"

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 Knights of St. Lawrence Beneficial Society of Wilmington, Delaware,"

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 Union Fraternalle Francaise de Mutuels Secours de Wilmington,"

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

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The use of the Hall of the House of Representatives was tendered to the New Castle Delegation and their friends for two hours after adjournment.

On motion,

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

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

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The bill entitled;

"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 court,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The vote by which the bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in Broad Creek hundred, Sussex county,"

Passed the House, was reconsidered,

And further,

On his motion,

The vote by which Section 5 of said bill was adopted, was reconsidered,

And, on his further motion,

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

And, on his motion,

The vote by which Section 3 was adopted, was reconsidered,

And further

On his motion,

The vote by which Section 2 was adopted, was reconsidered,

And, on his further motion,

The vote by which Section 1 was adopted, was reconsidered,

And, on his motion,

The vote by which the title was adopted, was reconsidered,

And further,

On his motion,

The vote by which the enacting clause was adopted, was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The vote by which Section 5 of the bill was amended, was reconsidered,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill was recommitted to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Learned presented a letter of Rev. Cyrus Huntington accepting the invitation to preach a sermon before the Legislature on Thursday, Feb. 18th, 1875,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to change the name of Sarah Ann Barker to Lula Annie Stevens,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The papers accompanying the bill were read.

And, on his further 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 amend Section 3 of Chapter 65, Volume 12, Laws of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title.

I. C. Grubb, Esq., Secretary of State, being admitted, presented certificates of the official bonds of State Treasurer and Auditor.

He also presented joint resolutions of the Legislatures of Georgia and Missouri in reference to military interference in the State of Louisiana.

He also presented a communication from A. F. Goshorn in reference to the Centennial Celebration.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The certificates in reference to State Treasurer and Auditor

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

The Clerk was directed to place the same on the journal.

STATE OF DELAWARE,

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE,
DOVER, DEL., February 3, 1875. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met :

Be it known that I, Ignatius C. Grubb, Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, do hereby testify that the official bond of Dr. Nathan Pratt, as Auditor of Accounts, has this day been approved by his Excellency, the Governor of this State.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, at Dover, this third day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

[SEAL.]

IGNATIUS C. GRUBB,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF DELAWARE,

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE,
DOVER, DEL., February 3, 1875. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met :

Be it known that I, Ignatius C. Grubb, Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, do hereby certify that the official bond of Thomas B. Giles, as State Treasurer, has this day been approved by his Excellency, the Governor of this State.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, at Dover, this third day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

[SEAL.]

IGNATIUS C. GRUBB,
Secretary of State.

The Speaker presented the resolution of the Board of Trade against the repeal of the law for the registry of property,

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to vacate parts of certain streets of the Town of New Castle,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Broadway offered a joint resolution inviting Rev. E. Stubbs to preach to this General Assembly February 10; and Rev. G. D. Watson at such time as may suit his convenience, and appointing a joint committee of one from each House to notify them.

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Learned, on behalf of the Committee on Vacant Lands, asked for further time to report.

There being no objection, further time was granted.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Bridgeville Cemetery Company, of Bridgeville, Delaware,"

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

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"An act to prevent live stock from running at large in North-West Fork hundred, Sussex county, Delaware,"

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

Mr. J. W. Phillips presented a petition asking for the passage of the bill,

Which was read and referred to the same committee.

Mr. Bird, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to establish a State Work House for all persons convicted of crime and punishable with imprisonment,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Was read.

Mr. Hanby presented a petition on the same subject,

Which 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 in relation to permanent leasehold estates;"

Also,

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

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 Female Bible Society of Wilmington, 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 133 of the Revised Code entitled, "General provisions concerning Crimes and Punishments."

Mr. Broadway, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate Wyoming Institute of Delaware, at Wyoming, Kent county, State of Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

Was read.

Messrs. Hanby and Learned asked leave of absence for one day each.

There being no objection, leave was granted.

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

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within certain limits in Broad Creek hundred, Sussex county, Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend Section 1 by striking out all after the word "at" in the sixth line of said section, and insert the following, to wit: "Laurel bridge and running with the public road through lands of Henry Clay Lewis and lands known as the Lazarus Turner place and until it intersects the public road leading from the village of Concord to John Chipman's saw-mill; thence with said public road through the lands of Mary A. Collins and Benjamin F. Fooks, and others, to Concord saw-mill, owned by Isaac S. and James W. Cannon; thence down with the waters of Deep Creek to the waters of Nanticoke River; thence with the waters of said river to the mouth of Broad Creek; thence up with the waters of said Broad Creek to Laurel bridge, the place of beginning."

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended,

And the amendment was 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, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—Messrs. Bird and Hanby—2.

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

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within the limits of School Districts Nos. 46 and 133, in Sussex county,"

Reported back to the House a new bill.

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 presented the petition of William E. Rogers and twenty-eight others, praying for a more stringent temperance law,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Moral Reform.

On motion of Mr. Todd,

The bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within the limits of School Districts Nos. 46 and 133, in Sussex county,"

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title,

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. 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 to amend Chapter 96 of the Revised Statutes in relation to investments by the Orphans' Court ;"

"An act to extend the limits of United School Districts Nos. 46 and 133, in Sussex county," and

"An act to authorize the Levy Court of Sussex county to adopt certain streets in the Town of Laurel as public roads,"

And presented the same to the House.

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

"Joint resolution relating to the State House Bell;"

"Joint resolution requesting Rev. E. Stubbs to preach to this General Assembly, February 10th, and Rev. G. D. Watson at such time as may suit his convenience, and appointing a committee of one from each House to inform said ministers of this request," and

"Joint resolution authorizing the State Librarian to deliver to the Law Library Association of New Castle county certain law and equity reports,"

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. Nowland, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the following bills, reported the same back to the House without amendment, viz :

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

"An act to incorporate the Rehoboth Hotel Company;"

"An act to incorporate the Diamond State Spring Company;"

"An act to incorporate the Union Fraternalle Francaise de Mutuels Secours de Wilmington;"

"A supplement to an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the New Castle County Insurance Company;'"

"A supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Western Car Company,' passed at Dover, April 2, 1873;"

"An act to incorporate the Knights of St. Lawrence Beneficial Society of Wilmington, Delaware;"

"An act directing the publication of the act entitled 'An act authorizing the city of Wilmington to issue its bonds to meet a portion of the expense of widening Water Street and Railroad Avenue in said city,'"

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

He also reported back the following bill, with amendments,

"An act to incorporate the Clayton Fire and Marine Insurance Company of Wilmington, Delaware,"

He also reported back the following bill, recommending that it do not pass,

"An act for the relief of Mutual Fire Insurance Companies."

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 to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 56, partly in Broad Creek hundred and partly in Nanticoke hundred, in Sussex county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of Mutual Fire Insurance Companies,"

Was taken up for consideration and read for the information of the House.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill was *Indefinitely postponed.*

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The joint resolutions of the States of Georgia and Missouri, in relation to Federal interference in Louisiana,

Were read and ordered to be placed in the hands of the Secretary of State for preservation.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The communication in reference to the Centennial celebration was read and referred to the special committee on the Centennial celebration.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Clayton Fire and Marine Insurance Company, Wilmington, Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further,

On his motion,

The amendments offered by the committee were read,

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendments were read a second time

And

Adopted,

And further,

On his 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, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

"An act to enable the Beecher Basket Company to hold certain real estate."

Mr. Nowland presented the petition of Daniel Corbit and others, praying for the reduction of the amount of money appropriated to roads in St. George's hundred, in New Castle county,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to a committee of three members of the New Castle county delegation,

Whereupon,

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

Mr. Nowland presented the petition of Richard Townsend and others, praying for the passage of an improved school law,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the Levy Court of Sussex county to adopt certain streets in the Town of Laurel as public roads,"

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. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to extend the limits of United School Districts Nos. 46 and 133, in Sussex county,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

The bill entitled,

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

Was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill was read a second time by its title,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended, and

The bill was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass 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, Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell, Wilds, and Mr. Speaker—14.

Nays—Messrs. Green and Todd—2.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Diamond State Spring Company,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass 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, Broadway, Conwell, Frame, Green, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds, 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. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Western Car Company,' passed at Dover, April 2, 1873,"

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, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds 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. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Knights of St. Lawrence Beneficial Society, of Wilmington, 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. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—None.

And the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion,

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

FRIDAY, February 5, 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 for the renewal of the charter of the Female Bible Society of Wilmington,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

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, Delaware,'"

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

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"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,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And further

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. Broadaway,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 65, Volume 12 of the Laws of Delaware,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Bird, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to prevent stock from running at large in that part of School District No. 52, in New Castle county, lying south-easterly of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal."

Which,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 96 of the Revised Statutes in respect to investments by the Orphans' Court,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Union Fraternelle Francaise de Mutuels Secours de Wilmington,"

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, 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 to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Rehoboth Hotel Company,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass 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, Green, 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. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to establish a State Work House for all persons convicted of crime and punishable with imprisonment,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to a special committee of six.

Whereupon,

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

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act making the First day of January and the Twenty-second day of February legal holidays,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Whereupon,

Mr. Pyle presented a petition praying for the passage of the bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And further,

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 Senate bill entitled,

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

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

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate Wyoming Institute of Delaware, at Wyoming, Kent county, State of Delaware,"

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

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.

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

"An act to further amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Artizan's Savings Bank,'"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment.

Mr. Holcomb, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act in relation to permanent leasehold estates,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Holcomb,

Was read.

Mr. Broadaway, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to enable the Beecher Basket Company to hold certain real estate,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

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 amend Chapter 133 of the Revised Code, entitled 'General provisions concerning Crimes and Punishments,'"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to further amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Artizan's Savings Bank,'"

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, Collius, Conwell, Green, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Conwell, Chairman of the Committee on Divorces, asked for further time to report,

Which was granted.

Mr. Nowland, chairman of the special committee on the fishery laws, asked for further time to report,

Which was granted.

Mr. Wilds, Chairman of the Committee on Enrollment, in behalf of said committee, reported the following enrolled Senate bill 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 on the highways in School District No. 81, New Castle county.”

He also presented the following House joint resolution, as duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker, viz :

“Joint resolution appointing a joint committee on so much of the Governor’s Inaugural as relates to representation.”

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

“A supplement to an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate the New Castle County Mutual Insurance 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, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Lambden, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—16.

Nay—Mr. Todd—1.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Broadaway presented the claim of Zadock L. Butler,
Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion, *

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

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

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The bill entitled,

“An act to enable the Beecher Basket Company to hold certain real estate,”

Was read a second time by its title.

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 Pochahontas Tent, No. 9, Daughters of the Forest;”

Also,

"An act in reference to the competency of certain persons as witnesses;"

Also,

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Iron Works."

He also presented the claim of Robert L. Armstrong, late Sheriff of New Castle county, for serving requisition on the Governor of Ohio,

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

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

"An act to perfect the title of James T. Massey and Annie E. Massey in certain lands conveyed to them by Joseph Savage and wife," and

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within the limits of School Districts Nos. 46 and 133, Sussex county,"

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had non-concurred in the House joint resolution of inquiry into the investments of the State, and returned the same to the House, together with the report of the committee of the Senate thereon, which report, he asked, be returned to the Senate.

He also presented to the House, for concurrence, the following bills which had passed the Senate, to wit:

"An act to incorporate the Esplendor Mining Company," and

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

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

"An act to cede to the United States title to and jurisdiction over lands for sites of light-houses, beacons, life-saving stations, or other aids to navigation within the limits of the State of Delaware,"

With an amendment.

Mr. J. W. Phillips presented sundry remonstrances against the passage of an act to prohibit stock from running at large in North-West Fork hundred, Sussex county,"

Which,

On his motion,

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

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to extend the limits of United School Districts Nos. 46 and 133, in Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title and referred to a special committee of three.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Broadaway, Houston and Conwell were appointed said committee.

Mr. Frame presented a remonstrance against the passage of the act,

Which was read and referred to the same committee.

Mr. Pyle presented the petition of Amer O. Perkins and other farmers, for the passage of an act for the protection of farmers,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the special committee already raised on that subject.

Mr. Pyle also presented a petition asking for the repeal of the Mechanics' Lien law,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read 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 to amend Section 23 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware."

Mr. J. W. Phillips presented a petition for the passage of an act to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 68, in Sussex county,

Which,

On his motion,

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

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 96 of the Revised Statutes in respect to investments by the Orphans' Court,"

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

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate report on the House joint resolution of inquiry into investments of this State

Was read and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act in relation to permanent leasehold estates,"

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

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to prevent stock from running at large in that part of School District No. 52, in New Castle county, lying southeasterly of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Bird presented a petition praying for the passage of the bill, and also a remonstrance against its passage,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read and referred, together with the bill, to the Committee on Roads and Highways,

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The Senate amendment to the House bill entitled,

"An act to cede to the United States title to and jurisdiction over lands for sites of light-houses, beacons, life-saving stations, or other aids to navigation within the limits of the State of Delaware,"

Was read, as follows :

Amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause, in the first section of the act, and inserting in lieu thereof the following :
 "That whenever the United States shall desire to acquire a title to land of any kind belonging to this State, whether covered by the navigable waters within its limits, or otherwise, for the site of any light-house, beacon, life-saving station, or other aid to navigation, and application is made by a duly authorized agent of the United States, describing the site or sites required therefor, the Governor of the State shall be authorized to convey such site or sites to the United States, and to cede to the United States jurisdiction over the same : *Provided* that no single tract desired for any light-house, beacon, or other aid to navigation shall contain more than ten acres, or for any life-saving station more than one acre."

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The bill was recommitted to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Broadway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Esplendor Mining Company,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Broadway,

The Senate bill entitled,

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

Was read.

Mr. Nowland presented a petition praying for the passage of an act for the promotion of education,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Broadaway presented the petition of sundry citizens praying for the passage of an act to vacate part of a public road in Dover Hundred West Election District,

Which,

On his motion,

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

Mr. Biggs presented two petitions from New Castle county for the education of colored people,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read and referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The bill entitled,

"An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 56, partly in Broad Creek hundred and partly in Nanticoke hundred, in Sussex county,"

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

Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, returned, with the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, the following enrolled House bill, viz :

"An act to incorporate the Peninsular Agricultural and Pomological Association, New Castle county, State of Delaware."

Mr. Baldwin presented a petition of numerous citizens, praying the passage of an act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 32, in New Castle county,

Which,

On his motion,

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

Mr. Wilds 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 Gravelly Run Marsh Company,' passed at Dover, Feb. 5, 1866."

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act for the renewal of the charter of the Female Bible Society of Wilmington,"

Was read a second time by its title.

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

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

Mr. Broadaway moved that the House recede from its joint resolution of inquiry into the investments of the State.

Mr. Voshell moved that the resolution be laid on the table,

And,

On the question, "Shall the resolution be laid on the table?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Hanby, G. H. Phillips, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—5.

Nays—Messrs. Baldwin, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Houston, Learned, McNeal, J. W. Phillips and Todd—12.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

Lost.

The question recurring on the original motion,

It was

Adopted.

On motion,

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

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

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Holcomb, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On motion of Mr. Holcomb,

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 provide for the relinquishment in certain cases to the United States titles to lands for sites of light-stations on the coast and waters of this State."

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

"An act to incorporate the Marbleton Quarry Company;"

"An act to incorporate the Vulcanized Fiber Company of Wilmington, Delaware," and

"An act to revive and extend the time for recording private acts,"

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had passed the House bill entitled,

"An act defining the Duties of Constables in certain cases,"

With an amendment, and returned the same to the House with a request that the House concur in the amendment.

Also, that the Senate had passed the following bills and joint resolutions, viz :

"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 10, 1873 ;"

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

"Joint resolution appointing a joint committee to prepare a General Incorporation Act ;" (Senate committee, Messrs. Riddle, Moore and Fiddeman,) and

"Joint resolution directing the State Treasurer to pay certain moneys,"

And presented the same for the concurrence of the House.

He also returned to the House, as duly and correctly enrolled, the following House bills and joint resolutions, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, to wit :

"An act to authorize the Recorder of Deeds in and for New Castle county to procure a new seal of office ;"

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to extend the time for Recording of Deeds ;' "

"An act to prevent stock from running at large in School District No. 83, New Castle county ;"

"Joint resolution concerning Volume 14 of Delaware Laws," and

"Joint resolution appointing a joint committee to confer with the Peach Growers and the Presidents of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore and Delaware Railroad Companies."

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

"An act to ratify a proposed Amendment to the Constitution of this State ;"

"An act transferring the home and mansion farm of Isaac G. Phillips from School District No. 168, in Sussex county, to School District No. 50, in Sussex county ;"

"An act authorizing John T. Moore to straighten and change a certain public road on his own land, in Little Creek hundred, in Sussex county, and to place gates across the same;"

"Joint resolution inviting Rev. Cyrus Huntington to address the General Assembly;"

"Joint resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay Robert Granlees three hundred dollars," and

"Joint resolution to his Excellency, the Governor of this State."

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled,

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

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

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Esplendor Mining Company,"

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

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 Section 23 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Was read.

Mr. J. W. Phillips, Chairman of the Committee on Moral Reform, asked for further time to report,

Which was granted.

Mr. Bird presented a petition favoring a State Work House,
Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the special committee on that subject.

Mr. Holcomb, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On motion of Mr. Holcomb,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The Senate joint resolution appointing a joint committee to prepare a general incorporation act,

Was read and

Adopted,

And referred to a special committee of four.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Pyle, Nowland, Wilds and Houston were appointed said committee on the part of the House.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

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

"An act to amend Chapter 666 of the 14th Volume of the Laws of Delaware;"

Also,

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

Mr. Bird presented the petition of Jonathan Pratt, chairman of a meeting of the Boards of Trustees of the Poor for the several coun-

ties in this State, for the erection of an asylum for the insane, and also a copy of the report of a committee of said Trustees,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to a special committee of three.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Bird, Learned and Frame were appointed said committee.

Mr. Nowland presented a remonstrance against the charter of a city government of the Town of New Castle,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

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

"An act to amend Chapter 96 of the Revised Statutes, in respect to investments by the Orphans' Court,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment, and recommended its passage.

He also, from same committee, reported back to the House the House bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 57 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware of 1852, as published in 1874,"

With the recommendation that it do not pass.

He also, from same committee, reported back to the House the Senate amendment to the House bill entitled,

"An act to cede to the United States title to and jurisdiction over lands for sites of light-houses, beacons, life-saving stations, or other aids to navigation within the limits of the State of Delaware,"

With the recommendation that it do not pass.

He also, from same committee, reported back to the House the bill entitled,

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

With an amendment.

He also, from same committee, reported adversely on the petition for the repeal of the Mechanics' Lien law.

Mr. G. H. Phillips presented a petition praying for the division of School District No. 57, in Sussex county,

Which,

On his motion,

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

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

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

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The Senate joint resolution directing the State Treasurer to pay certain moneys,

Was read and

Adopted.

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

Mr. Broadway presented a petition praying the passage of an act extending the limits of School Districts Nos. 46 and 133, Sussex county,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the special committee raised on that subject.

Mr. Houston, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On motion of Mr. Houston,

Was read.

Mr. Houston sent to the Clerk's desk and had read two extracts from certain papers on the subject.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The Senate amendments to the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Underwriters' Agency of Delaware,"

Were read, as follows :

Extract from journal.

Amendment No. 1.

Section 6. Strike out after the word "corporate," in the sixth line, until the word "if," in the tenth line of the section.

Amendment No. 2.

Add to Section 8, "*And provided* that nothing in this act shall be construed to authorize this corporation to use any banking privileges other than the lending of money on security for the purpose of permanent investment,"

And further,

On his motion,

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

And,

On the question, "Shall the amendments be concurred in?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Hanby, Houston, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell and Mr. Speaker—16.

Nay—Mr. Green—1.

So the amendments, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

Mr. Houston, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, asked leave for the committee to retire.

There being no objection, the committee retired.

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

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

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 title fourth of the Revised Statutes, entitled 'Of Elections.'"

Mr. Pyle presented the claim of H. Rau,

Which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 133 of the Revised Code entitled, 'General provisions concerning Crimes and Punishments,'"

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

Mr. Wilds, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Houston,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"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,'"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Wilds,

Was read.

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

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

Mr. J. W. Phillips presented the petition of William H. Ross and others, praying for an additional section to the game law in this State, for the protection of fur animals,

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. Broadaway,

The bill entitled,

"An act to enable the Beecher Basket Company to hold certain real estate,"

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, Hanby, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—15.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

I. C. Grubb, Esq., Secretary of State, being admitted, informed the House that he had left with the Senate a communication from the firm of Porter & Coates in relation to the "Coat of Arms" of the State of Delaware for the Centennial exhibition.

He also informed the House that he had left in the Senate, for the use of both Houses, joint resolutions of the State of West Virginia, in relation to Federal interference in the State of Louisiana.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 96 of the Revised Statutes in respect to investments by the Orphans' Court,"

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. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act for the renewal of the charter of the Female Bible Society of Wilmington, 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. Baldwin, Biggs, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, 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. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act for the appointment of an additional Justice of the Peace in New Castle county,"

Was taken up and read a third time in order to pass the House.

On motion of Mr. Nowland,

The petition accompanying the bill was read.

Mr. Hanby presented sundry remonstrances against the passage of the bill,

Which were 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, Green, Houston, Learned, McNeal, Nowland, G. H. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, Pyle, Todd, Voshell, Wilds and Mr. Speaker—19.

Nay—Mr. Hanby—1.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

"An act to incorporate the Bridgeville Cemetery Company, of Bridgeville, Delaware,"

Reported the bill back to the House without amendment.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

The bill was ordered to be read a third time in order to pass the House.

Pending the reading,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The bill was recommitted to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the Levy Court of Sussex county to adopt certain streets in the Town of Laurel as public roads,"

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

And further,

On his motion,

The accompanying petition was read,

And,

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yea—Mr. G. H. Phillips—1.

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

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill was

Lost.

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

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The Senate amendment to the bill entitled,

"An act defining the Duties of Constables in certain cases,"

Was read, as follows :

Amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following, to wit :

SECTION 1. That it is hereby declared to be the duty of all Constables to enforce the provisions of all laws that have been or may hereafter be enacted prohibiting live stock from running at large.

SECTION 2. That Constables, for every performance of their duty under the several laws enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Delaware prohibiting live stock from running at large, shall be entitled to and shall receive one-half the fines created by said acts ; and that the other half of said fines shall be for the use of the school district in which said duty was performed.

SECTION 3. That any Constable who shall refuse to perform his duty as required by this act, shall, upon being tried before a justice of the peace residing in the hundred in which such offense is alleged to have been committed, and being found guilty of said offense, be fined by the said justice of the peace in a sum not less than one dollar, nor more than five dollars.

SECTION 4. That all fines imposed by virtue of the provisions of Section 3 of this act shall be subject to and paid over to the order of the clerk of the school district in which said offense was committed, all legal charges and costs having been paid out of the same,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time and referred, with the bill, to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Todd 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 Mechanics' Building and Loan Association of the Town of Dover,' passed at Dover, March 4, 1869."

Mr. Green, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On motion of Mr. Green,

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. Collins,

The Senate amendment to the House bill entitled,

"An act to cede to the United States title to and jurisdiction over lands for sites of light-houses, beacons, life-saving stations, or other aids to navigation within the limits of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended,

And the amendment was read a third time,

And

Concurred in.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion,

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

WEDNESDAY, February 10, 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 proposing an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the Legislature from granting State Aid to railroads and other corporations."

Mr. Holcomb, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Conwell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act in reference to the competency of certain persons as witnesses,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Holcomb,

Was read.

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 enable Jacob G. Cannon to locate certain vacant land and complete his title to the same,"

"An act to change the place of holding elections in Gumborough hundred, in Sussex county,"

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 49, New Castle county,"

"An act to alter and amend an act entitled, 'An act to raise Revenue for State and County purposes,'"

"An act to incorporate Hiram Lodge, No. 21, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Seaford, Delaware,"

And returned the same to the House.

And also that the Senate had concurred, with an amendment, in the House bill entitled,

"An act entitled an act prescribing punishment for certain offenses,"

And requested the concurrence of the House in the amendment.

Also, that they had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following bills and joint resolution, viz :

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

"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," and

"Joint resolution in relation to publication of Equity Reports,"

And presented the same to the House.

He also presented to the House the report of the joint committee appointed to examine the accounts of the State Treasurer and Trustee of the School Fund, with the information that the report had been adopted by the Senate.

He also presented to the House the statement of the Finances of the State of Delaware and the several counties.

The Speaker presented two petitions asking for the passage of the act for a State Workhouse,

Which were read and referred to the special committee on the subject.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb,

The bill entitled,

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

Was read a second time by its title.

Whereupon,

He presented a petition in favor of the passage of the bill ; also the minutes of a town meeting on the subject,

Which were read and referred, with the bill, to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Todd, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Building and Loan Association of the Town of Dover,' passed at Dover, March 4, 1869,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Todd,

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 perfect the title of the Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church of Delaware City to certain real property,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Was read.

Mr. Todd presented a petition asking for the passage of an act to straighten a public road near Pierson's Corner, in Dover hundred, Kent county,

Which,

On his motion,

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

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

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

Reported the same back to the House with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The amendments were read,

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended

And the amendments were read a second time

And

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The further consideration of the bill was postponed for the present.

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

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

Also,

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act for the prevention of cruelty to animals,' passed at Dover, February 20, 1873."

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 666 of the 14th Volume of the Laws of Delaware,"

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 incorporate the Grand Council of Delaware of the Improved Order of Red Men,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act directing the publication of the act entitled 'An act authorizing the city of Wilmington to issue its bonds to meet a portion of the expense of widening Water Street and Railroad Avenue in said city,'"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

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

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass 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, Bird, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, McNeal, 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 to the Senate for concurrence.

The Speaker, on behalf of Mr. Nowland, asked for leave of absence for three days.

There being no objection, the request was granted.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

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

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Bird offered an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was read a second and third time,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

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, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, 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. Bird gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act proposing an amendment to the Constitution of this State."

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

"An act to incorporate the Bridgeville Cemetery Company of Bridgeville, Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Phillips,

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

And

Adopted.

And further,

On his 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, Broadaway, Collins, Conwell, Frame, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, 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.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 57 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware of 1852, as published in 1874,"

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 negative,

And the bill was

Lost.

Mr. Collins, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On motion of Mr. Collins,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

The petition for a stock law in School District No. 34, New Castle county, was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

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. Holcomb,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Iron Company,"

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

On motion of Mr. Holcomb,

The bill entitled,

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

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

Mr. Voshell presented a memorial from the Levy Court of Kent county for the passage of an act to enable them to employ convicts on the Almshouse farm,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Houston presented sundry petitions for the repeal of the Exemption Law of the State so far as it applies to 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, Learned and Biggs were appointed said committee.

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

"An act to subject growing fruit crops to execution attachment process."

Mr. Houston presented a petition for the passage of an act preventing live stock from running at large in School Districts Nos. 16 and 124, 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, Frame and J. W. Phillips were appointed said committee.

Mr. Learned, on behalf of the Committee on Vacant Lands, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to enable Robert Lambden to locate certain vacant land and complete his title to the same,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment,

And, on his motion,

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

And

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

"An act to extend the limits of United School Districts Nos. 46 and 133, in Sussex county,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The bill was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The remonstrance against the bill was read.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The petition asking for the passage of the bill was read,

And further,

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. Bird, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to provide for the relinquishment in certain cases to the United States of titles to lands for sites of light-stations on the coast and waters of this State,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Was read.

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 second time by its title.

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.

He also, from same committee, reported back to the House the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate Wyoming Institute of Delaware, at Wyoming, Kent county, State of Delaware,"

With an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The bill was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The amendment was read, as follows :

Amend the bill by adding the following proviso to Section 8 :

"Provided, however, that the property aforesaid, held under and by virtue of the act incorporating Wyoming College, shall not be vested and transferred in the trustees appointed by this act and their successors without the consent of the corporation created by the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate Wyoming College, at Wyoming, Kent county, Delaware,' aforesaid,"

And further,

On his motion,

Rule 12 was suspended and the amendment read a second time

And

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The bill, as amended, was read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass 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, Green, Hanby, Houston, Learned, McNeal, G. H. Phillips, John 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. Conwell presented the petition of sundry citizens of the Town of Laurel, praying for the passage of an act to incorporate that town,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The report of the joint committee appointed to examine the accounts of the State Treasurer and Trustee of the School Fund

Was read, as follows :

REPORT

Of the Joint Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the State Treasurer and Trustee of the School Fund.

The joint committee appointed to examine the accounts of the State Treasurer and Trustee of the School Fund, and settle with that officer, submit the following report, viz :

On the twenty-eighth (28th) of January, 1875, on settlement with the Auditor of Accounts, the State Treasurer's general account stood as follows, to wit :

Receipts.....		\$337,135 07
Expenditures.....	\$318,004 03	
Balance in hand of Treasurer.....	19,131 04	
		<hr/> \$337,135 07

On the same day the Treasurer's account, as Trustee of the School Fund, showed a balance in his hands of \$13,947 57

Also, that the Delaware College Fund stood as follows, to wit :

Receipts.....		\$4,984 71
Paid to Treasurer of Board of Trustees	\$4,980 00	
Balance in State Treasurer's hands.....	4 71	
		<hr/> \$4,984 71

At the same time the Committee examined the Treasurer's account with the Oyster Fund and found it as follows, to wit :

Receipts.....		\$10,606 83
Expenditures.....	\$6,879 17	
Balance in the hands of Treasurer.....	3,727 66	
		<hr/> \$10,606 83

The committee examined the accounts and vouchers for the above stated accounts and found them correct. They also examined the

State Treasurer's account as it appeared on the books of his record, and also the books of the Farmers' Bank, at Dover, and found them to correspond exactly with the State Treasurer's account.

JAMES H. RAY,
LEANDER F. RIDDLE,
Committee of the Senate.

JNO. W. PHILLIPS,
WM. B. COLLINS,
W. P. BIGGS,
Committee of the House.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The report of the committee was *Accepted.*

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

"An act entitled an act to prevent live stock from running at large in School Districts Nos. 51 and 148, in Sussex county,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment,

And, on his motion,

The bill was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Frame,

The petitions accompanying the bill were read.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The bill was postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. Conwell, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Jennie Barcus, praying for the passage of an act to divorce her from the bonds of matrimony, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Jennie Barcus and James Barcus from the bonds of matrimony,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Conwell, Chairman of the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Sarah M. Adkins, praying the passage

of an act divorcing her from her husband, Henry Adkins, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Sarah M. Adkins and Henry Adkins from the bonds of matrimony,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Baldwin 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 service of process on foreign Insurance Companies."

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

"An act to incorporate the West-end Club Stables of Wilmington, Delaware ;"

"An act to incorporate Wilmington Division, No. 1, Sons of Temperance, of Wilmington, Delaware ;"

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 68, in New Castle county ;"

"Joint resolution condemning the recent interference with the organization of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana by the Federal Executive ;"

"Joint resolution requesting the Rev. Enoch Stubbs and Rev. G. D. Watson to preach to the General Assembly ;"

"Joint resolution authorizing the State Librarian to deliver to the Law Library Association of New Castle county certain law and equity reports ;"

"Joint resolution in relation to the disposition of the certificates of the election of Governor ;"

"Joint resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay Robert Granlees three hundred dollars," and

"Joint resolution appointing Thomas B. Giles State Treasurer."

On motion,

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

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

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Collins presented a petition praying for a more stringent Liquor Law,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Moral Reform.

Mr. Collins presented a petition praying for the passage of an act creating a State Work House,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the special committee already raised on that subject.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act in reference to the competency of certain persons as witnesses,"

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

Mr. Voshell, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Collins,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to subject growing fruit crops to execution attachment process,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Voshell,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 666 of the 14th Volume 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. Pyle,

The bill entitled,

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

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

On motion of Mr. Todd,

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Building and Loan Association of the Town of Dover,' passed at Dover, March 4, 1869,"

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

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill 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 coast and waters of this State,"

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

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 and joint resolutions, to wit:

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

"An act to reduce a part of the tax on Oystermen;"

"Joint resolution appropriating two hundred dollars to Kent county to aid in the purchase of a clock for the Court House of said county," and

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

He also presented, for the information of the House, a communication presented to the Senate by Ignatius C. Grubb, Secretary of State, to wit:

Communication from the Governor of West Virginia, and joint resolutions of the Legislature of said State in relation to Federal interference in Louisiana affairs.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate joint resolution in relation to the publication of Equity Reports

Was read and

Adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. Todd,

The Senate joint resolution appropriating two hundred dollars to Kent county to aid in the purchase of a clock for the Court House of said county

Was read.

Mr. Todd offered an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows:

Amend the Senate joint resolution by striking out "two hundred dollars" and inserting in lieu thereof "three hundred dollars,"

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The joint resolution, as amended, was

Concurred in.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof and concurrence in the amendment requested.

Mr. Pyle presented the petition of R. R. Robinson & Co., claiming five hundred dollars on account of Robert H. Davis, late State Treasurer, not delivering to the said company "Agricultural Scrip," which they claim to have bought,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to a special committee of three.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Pyle, Broadaway and J. W. Phillips were appointed said committee.

Mr. Houston 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 incorporate the Georgetown and Delmar Railroad Company,' passed at Dover, March 30, 1871."

On motion of Mr. Bird,

The bill entitled,

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

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Hanby,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

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 proposing an amendment to the Constitution of this State,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act entitled an act to prevent live stock from running at large in School Districts Nos. 51 and 148, in 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. Pyle, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act for the prevention of cruelty to animals,' passed at Dover, February 20, 1873,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

Was read.

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

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Board of Directors of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company of Maine as the Delaware Agency of said Company,"

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the bill by striking out all between the word "State" in line seven, to the word "provided" in line eleven, in Section 3, and insert in lieu thereof the following : "The said company are to keep loaned in said State the net premium receipts on policies in force in said State."

And further,

On his motion,

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

And

Adopted.

And, on his further motion,

The bill, as amended, was read a third time, and by paragraphs.

Pending the passage of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The bill was recommitted to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to reduce a part of the Tax on Oystermen,"

Was read.

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

"An act transferring the home and mansion farm of Isaac G. Phillips from School District No. 168, in Sussex county, to School District No. 50, in Sussex county ;"

"An act to ratify a proposed Amendment to the Constitution of this State ;"

"An act authorizing John T. Moore to straighten and change a certain public road on his own land, in Little Creek hundred, in Sussex county, and to place gates across the same ;"

"An act to incorporate Evening Star Council, No. 1, S. and D. of A., of Delaware;"

"Joint resolution to his Excellency, the Governor of this State."

"Joint resolution inviting Rev. Cyrus Huntington to address the General Assembly;"

"Joint resolution appointing Directors for the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware,"

"Joint resolution appointing a joint committee on so much of the Governor's Inaugural as relates to representation."

"Joint resolution relating to the State House Bell;"

Mr. Baldwin, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

The Senate joint resolution authorizing Messrs. James & Webb to bind Revised Code,

Was read and referred to a special committee of three.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Pyle, J. W. Phillips and Wilds were appointed said committee.

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

"An act to incorporate the Esplendor Mining Company,"

Reported the bill back to the House without amendment, and with the recommendation that it do not pass.

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

"An act to enable Isaac Gooden to change a certain public road."

Mr. Conwell, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Samuel S. Hearn for a divorce from his wife, reported a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Conwell, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Maranda A. Taylor for a divorce from her husband William H. H. Taylor, reported a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Houston, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the petition asking for a stock law in School Districts Nos. 16 and 124, in Sussex county, reported a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Frame asked leave of absence for one day.

There being no objection, leave was granted.

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 bill entitled,

"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,'"

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

On motion of Mr. Learned,

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Jennie Barcus and James Barcus from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The Senate bill entitled,

"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 10, 1873,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Biggs,

The Senate bill entitled,

"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,"

Was read.

Mr. Baldwin presented the petition of Allison White and two others, praying for the passage of an act to incorporate a company for quarrying stone in Brandywine hundred,

Which,

On his motion,

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

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

The Senate bill entitled,

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

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Pyle,

The joint resolutions of the State of West Virginia, condemning the recent Federal intervention with the Legislature of Louisiana, were read and ordered to be sent to the office of the Secretary of State for preservation.

Mr. Todd, Chairman 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. 56, partly in Broad Creek hundred and partly in Nanticoke hundred, in Sussex county,"

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

He also, from same committee, reported back to the House the bill entitled,

"An act to prevent stock from running at large in that part of School District No. 52, in New Castle county, lying southeasterly of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal,"

With the recommendation that it do not pass.

He also, from same committee, reported back to the House the following petitions, the same not having any bills accompanying them :

Petition for Isaac Gooden to vacate a portion of a county road; and

Petition to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 50, in New Castle county.

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

"An act in relation to permanent leasehold estates;"

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

"An act to amend Chapter 133 of the Revised Code entitled, 'General provisions concerning Crimes and Punishments,' "

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

He also reported back to the House the Senate amendment to the bill entitled,

"An act defining the Duties of Constables in certain cases,"

With the recommendation that it be concurred in.

Mr. Bird, from 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,"

Asked for further time to report.

There being no objection, the request was granted.

Mr. Houston 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 incorporate the Lewes Creek Navigation Company.' "

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

The bill entitled,

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

Was read.

Mr. Conwell, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of John Crompton, praying for an act to divorce him from his wife, Ann Catharine Crompton, reported adversely to the petition.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The petition was indefinitely postponed.

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

"An act to incorporate the Every Evening Publishing Company;"

Also,

"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.'"

Mr. Green presented the petition of Rev. John Irwin and others, praying for the opening of a new road in South Murderkill hundred,

Which,

On his motion,

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

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

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 162, partly in Broad Creek hundred and partly in Nanticoke hundred, Sussex county;"

Also,

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

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

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Hanby,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"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,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. G. H. Phillips.

Was read.