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AT A SESSION OF THE

GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONVENED AND HELD AT DOVER, ON TUESDAY, THE SECOND
DAY OF JANUARY, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE
THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE,
AND OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNIT-
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At a session of the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, convened and held at Dover on Tuesday, the second day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, and the independence of the United States the one hundred and seventh,

Messrs. Edward Betts, Swithin Chandler, and Alexander B. Cooper, of New Castle county; and

Messrs. Samuel B. Cooper, Wilson T. Cavender, and Samuel D. Roe, of Kent county; and

Messrs. Andrew J. Horsey, Edward W. Houston, and David L. Mustard, of Sussex county, appeared and took their seats.

The late Clerk, Hiram T. Downing, called the Senate to order.

On motion of Mr. Mustard, Mr. Horsey was appointed Speaker *pro tempore*.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, Mr. Betts was appointed Clerk *pro tempore*.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the returns of the elections of Senators of the several counties of the State were read.

By the returns of the officers of New Castle county, appointed by law judges of election, it appeared that on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in the month of November last, at the several and respective places appointed by law for holding the election in and for said county, Swithin Chandler and Alexander B. Cooper were duly chosen to represent the said county in the Senate of the State of Delaware, for the ensuing term of four years.

By the returns of the officers of Kent county, appointed by law judges of election, it appeared that on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in the month of November last, at the several and respective places appointed by law for holding the election in and for said county, Wilson T. Cavender and Samuel D. Roe were duly chosen to represent the said county in the Senate of the State of Delaware.

By the returns of the officers of Sussex county, appointed by law judges of election, it appeared that on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in the month of November last, at the several and respective places appointed by law for holding the election in and for said county, Edward W. Houston and David L. Mustard were duly chosen to represent the said county in the Senate of the State of Delaware.

On motion of Mr. Roe, the Senate proceeded to elect by ballot a Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Houston, the Speaker was directed to appoint two tellers.

Whereupon Mr. Houston and Mr. Chandler were appointed said tellers.

The votes being counted, it was found that Samuel B. Cooper had received seven (7) votes,

And blank, two (2) votes.

Whereupon Samuel B. Cooper, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Speaker of the Senate.

The Speaker and members elect were then qualified according to the Constitution of the State, and the act of Congress entitled, "An act to regulate the time and manner of administering certain oaths," as appears by the following certificate, to wit:

I, Andrew J. Horsey, a member of the Senate of the State of Delaware from the county of Sussex, do hereby certify that Samuel B. Cooper, a member of the Senate from Kent county, was, previous to taking his seat as Speaker, duly affirmed by me to support the Constitution of the United States, to support the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and to perform his duties as Speaker of the Senate of the said State with fidelity.

And,

I, Samuel B. Cooper, Speaker of the Senate of the State of Delaware, do hereby certify that Alexander B. Cooper of New Castle county, and Wilson T. Cavender and Samuel D. Roe of Kent county, and Edward W. Houston and David L. Mustard of Sussex county, members elect, and present, of the Senate, were, previous to entering upon any other business, and previous to taking their seats, sworn by me in due form of law, and Swithin Chandler, member elect (and present) of the Senate from New Castle county, was, previous to entering upon any business and previous to taking his seat, affirmed by me in due form of law, that they and each of them would respectively support the Constitution of the United States, to support the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and to perform their duties as members of the General Assembly of the said State with fidelity.

Witness our hands this second day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

A. J. HORSEY,
S. B. COOPER.

Mr. Cooper, Speaker elect, was conducted to the chair by the committee appointed for that purpose, and addressed the Senate as follows:

SENATORS:—In assuming the duties of the position to which you have called me, you will permit me to tender you my sincere thanks for the honor you do me. I sensibly feel the weight of the responsibility of the position, and appreciate the necessity for

a proper qualification for the prompt and efficient discharge of the duties appertaining thereto.

I can only now promise that in the discharge of my duties I will *endeavor* to exercise proper judgment, discretion, and courtesy. Trusting in your kind forbearance, when my judgment may err, and soliciting your timely aid, I will *endeavor* to perform my duties in such a manner that you will not regret having made the choice you have for your presiding officer.

I trust that in our intercourse, both officially and socially, due regard will ever be had to each other's feelings and opinions; and should differences arise, as doubtless they will, in our views upon any measure that may be brought before us, let us not forget, in the excitement of the occasion, to exercise courteous respect for each other's opinions, and that, however widely our views may differ as to the merits of a measure under official consideration, no bitterness of feeling against a fellow Senator will be carried beyond the threshold of this chamber.

Trusting and believing that our session will be characterized for its unity of action, we now enter upon our duties duly impressed with the responsibilities we hold for the benefit of our constituents, the people of the State of Delaware.

On motion of Mr. Horsey, the Senate proceeded to elect by ballot a clerk.

Mr. Mustard moved that tellers be appointed. Which motion prevailed.

Whereupon Messrs. Chandler and Houston were appointed said tellers.

The votes being counted, it was found that Charles W. Whiley, Jr., had received eight votes,

And blank one vote.

Mr. Whiley having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Roe, a committee of two was appointed to wait upon Mr. Whiley and inform him of his election.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Roe and Mustard said committee.

Mr. Whiley being introduced, was duly qualified, and assumed the duties of his office.

On motion of Dr. Mustard, the Senate proceeded to elect, by ballot a Sergeant-at-Arms.

The same tellers were appointed, and upon the votes being counted it was announced

That Alfred J. Taylor had received eight votes,

And blank one vote.

Whereupon Alfred J. Taylor having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected Sergeant-at-Arms.

Mr. Taylor being introduced, was duly qualified, and assumed the duties of his office.

On motion of Mr. Roe, Harry F. Godwin was appointed messenger.

On motion of Mr. Cavender, Rev. L. W. Gibson was requested to act as Chaplain of the Senate, during the present session.

And further, on his motion, a committee of two was appointed to inform him of his election.

Whereupon Messrs. Cavender and Houston were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Horsey, the clerk was directed to inform the House that the Senate was duly organized, and ready to proceed to business.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, reporters of the press were invited to seats on the floor.

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House was duly organized, and was ready to proceed to business.

Mr. Cavender offered a resolution, which was read, as follows :

Resolved, That the clerk of the Senate be and he is hereby instructed to furnish each member of the Senate with a copy of the Revised Code and volumes 15 and 16, Laws of Delaware,

And further, on his motion, was

Adopted.

Mr. Roe offered a joint resolution appointing a joint committee of two on the part of the Senate, and three on the part of the House to wait upon the Governor and inform him that the two Houses of the General Assembly were organized and ready to receive any communication that he may see proper to make.

Which, on his motion, was read, and further, on his motion, was

Adopted.

Mr. Alexander B. Cooper offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was read as follows :

Resolved, That the following committees be appointed by the chair, and reported within the next three days of actual session, to act as standing committees during the present session, to wit : A Committee on Corporations ; a Committee on Cities and Towns ; a Committee on Enrolled Bills ; a Committee on Elections ; a Committee on Accounts ; a Committee on Claims ; a Committee on Finance ; a Committee on Roads ; a Committee on Vacant Lands ; a Committee on the Judiciary ; a Committee on Revised Statutes ; a Committee on Agriculture ; a Committee on Printing ; a Committee on Education.

And further, on his motion, was

Adopted.

Dr. Mustard offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was read as follows :

Resolved, That His Excellency the Governor, Secretary of State, Judiciary, Attorney-General, and all ladies who may visit the Senate, during its sessions, be privileged to seats on the floor of the Senate.

And, on his further motion, was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Roe,

The rules governing the last session were adopted for the government of the present session, until new rules are adopted.

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had concurred in the Senate

Joint resolution appointing a joint committee of two on part of the Senate, and three on part of the House to wait upon his Excellency, the Governor, and inform him that the two Houses were duly organized and ready to receive any communication he saw proper to make.

Dr. Chandler offered a resolution which was read as follows :

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Senate be, and he is hereby directed to furnish each member of the Senate with one daily newspaper of his choice during the session of the Legislature ; and also to furnish the Senate with two copies of each daily newspaper published in the State during the session.

And, on his further motion, was

Adopted.

Mr. Roe, from the committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency, the Governor, and inform him of the organization of the General Assembly, reported that His Excellency would communicate with the Senate, through the Secretary of State, in five minutes.

James L. Wolcott, Esq., Secretary of State, being admitted, presented to the Senate a written communication from His Excellency, the Governor, together with the report of the Superintendent of Public Schools, Insurance report, Adjutant General's report, report of State Board of Health, State Treasurer's report, report of several branches of Farmers' Bank, communications on subject of Extradition laws, petition for relief from part of our taxation, report of State Chemist, Resolutions of Legislature of Virginia, recommendations to the legislative session of 1883, with the request that the documents be transmitted to the House.

On motion of Mr. Horsey, the message of the Governor was read as follows :

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

You have assembled in these halls for the purpose of enacting such laws and adopting such measures as will insure to the people whom you represent a continuation of good government and a state of continued prosperity, so far as these objects come within the scope of political or civil agencies. As a body, you are the sole depository of the legislative power of the State. Your will is supreme, only as it is limited or restrained by constitutional authority. The functions of the Executive are mostly confined to the faithful execution of the laws, and those of the Judiciary to the just interpretation thereof. No power therefore is vested in either of these departments of government to alter, suspend, or modify any statute, however obnoxious to the people or destructive to the interests of the community upon which it operates. It must stand until repealed by subsequent legislation. The exercise of such power carries with it a degree of responsibility coextensive with its capacity for good or evil, and should awaken in your minds an abiding sense of duty commensurate with its magnitude and importance, a feeling which will command attention to the dictates of public conscience, regardless of the suggestions of local or selfish interests.

The year which has just closed, has been one of unusual prosperity and good feeling. Each succeeding season, in its flight, has left behind it unmistakable evidences of the goodness and mercy of the Creator to the creature. Peace, health, social order, and all the essentials to human comfort and happiness, are the legacy of the old to the new year. No calamity has occurred to embitter the enjoyment of our present abundance, or paralyze, by its lingering effects, the springs of industry and development. This condition of things necessarily imparts additional weight to the responsibility incident to your position, since it is possible that a change, or modification, may be wrought in the public policy of the State, which might diminish, rather than enhance, the benefits of free government and the blessings of a benign Providence.

While the people of a progressive state or community are constantly growing out of and expanding beyond their former

limits and circumstances, and seeking for higher conditions of social and individual development, which at times require legal and constitutional reforms, yet no changes of a radical nature should be made, now, or at any other time, in the organic or statutory laws of the State, the necessity for which is not approved by the most enlightened experience and matured wisdom. The results of hasty and inconsiderate legislation seldom justify the expectations either of its author or of the people.

Mindful, with you, of these considerations, I shall proceed now to discharge the duty enjoined upon the Executive by the Constitution, of giving such information of affairs concerning the State, and to recommend to your consideration such measures, as I shall deem expedient.

The finances of the State, being a subject which relates to the power of levying and raising taxes and directing the appropriation thereof to the various objects of government, it is necessary that you should be informed of their true condition, so that you may adopt such legislation as will enable the State Treasurer to meet all demands upon him, either present or prospective, without the accumulation of a large surplus in the Treasury of the State for any indefinite period of time. A plethoric treasury is frequently the active cause of vicious and unwise legislation, in that it invites to the capital adventurers with their schemes for public improvement, which, in many instances, by their superficial merit, or plausibility, excite and seize the credulity of the public mind, and thereby obtain the endorsement and aid of the State. It is needless to say that such projects are generally attended with failure, or do not produce the results affirmed of them by their zealous and untiring advocates.

The report of the State Treasurer, which is herewith submitted for your careful consideration, shows that the finances of the State are in a healthy condition, and that the present revenues are more than adequate to the present necessities of government.

STATE DEBT.

On the first day of January, A. D. 1881, the total funded debt was nine hundred and fifty-five thousand dollars (\$955,000), classified as follows:

Residue of bonds issued to pay bounties and for volunteers which would have matured in 1885,	\$441,000.00	
Residue of bonds loaned to the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company, secured by first mortgage on said road, and which would have matured in 1890,	230,000.00	
Bonds loaned to the Breakwater and Frankford Railroad Company, secured by first mortgage on said road, and which would have matured in 1898,	176,000.00	
Total bonded indebtedness, Jan. 1, 1881,	<hr/>	\$847,000.00
Certificate of indebtedness held by Delaware College against the State, which represents the proceeds of the sale of scrip or land warrants, issued to the State by virtue of an act of Congress donating public lands, etc., to the several States and Territories, etc.,	83,000.00	
Amount received from the New Castle and Wilmington Railroad Company, proceeds of stock held by the State, belonging to the School Fund, . .	25,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$108,000.00
Total amount of State Debt. Jan. 1, 1881,		\$955,000.00

The General Assembly, at its last session, taking advantage of the established credit of the State, and of the low rate of interest at which first-class securities were current in the financial market, passed an act, March 16th, A. D. 1881, providing for the refunding of the above mentioned bonded debt at a lower rate of interest, said debt to be represented by eight hundred and forty-seven bonds of the State of Delaware of the denomination of one thousand dollars each, bearing interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, to be divided into three classes or series, designated by the letters A, B, and C,—Series A to consist of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, payable on the first day of July, 1886, but redeemable at the option of the State at any time after the

1st day of July, 1882; Series B to consist of three hundred thousand dollars, payable on the first day of July, 1891, but redeemable at the option of the State at any time after the first day of July, 1886; and Series C to consist of two hundred and ninety-seven thousand dollars, payable on the first day of July, 1901, but redeemable at the option of the State at any time after the first day of July, 1891.

On the 11th day of March, A. D. 1881, finding that the stock of The Philadelphia, Wilmington & Baltimore Railroad Company had greatly increased in its market value, the Legislature adopted a joint resolution authorizing the sale of the certificates of loan to the said company (the aggregate amount of which, at their par value, was the sum of eighty-five thousand dollars), which had been obtained as an investment for the benefit of the School Fund, at the sum of \$80,793.83. Whereupon the Trustee of said fund, in pursuance of the authority contained in said resolution, sold said certificates for the sum of one hundred and thirty-one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$131,750.00), which sum was in excess of the cost value of the same \$50,956.17, and in excess of the par value thereof \$46,750.00.

The Legislature, deeming it advisable, appropriated the sum realized from the sale of said certificates, together with the amount received from the New Castle and Wilmington Railroad, which aggregated the sum of one hundred and fifty-six thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars, to the payment and cancellation of the outstanding bonds of the State authorized to be refunded by an act supplementary to the act providing for the refunding of the bonded debt of the State, passed March 29, 1881, and by the same act diminished the class of bonds designated in the original act as "Series C," to one hundred and sixty-five thousand dollars, thus making the whole amount of the original bonded debt to be refunded seven hundred and fifteen thousand dollars (\$715,000.)

The commission constituted by the act of Assembly aforesaid, for the purpose of opening the bids or proposals received by the State Treasurer for said loan, met on the first Tuesday in May, A. D. 1881, after due notice had been given, and awarded the bonds to Thomas A. Biddle & Co., for the sum of seven hundred and forty-two thousand nine hundred and five dollars and five cents, (\$742,905.05,) at a cost of \$619.10 to the State. The balance of the cost, (being \$3,230.13) having been paid by the Junction and Breakwater and Breakwater and Frankford Rail-

road Companies, in consideration of the reduction of interest on the mortgages held by the State against them from six to four per centum per annum. These figures show a net gain to the State of \$27,285.95, by reason of the refunding of the State debt, and, to say nothing about the negotiation of the same at a much lower rate of interest, prove the wisdom of the last General Assembly in maturing and passing a law for the consummation of such a measure, and the marked ability with which the State Treasurer carried it into execution.

While the success of the funding scheme, and the prudent management of the financial affairs of the State, are a proper subject for congratulation, yet, that the results thereof may not be frittered away in unwise and improper legislation, heedless of the lessons of history and experience, constitute a source of anxiety and concern for the future welfare of the State. Strict economy, in all the departments of the State Government, should be rigidly observed.

The State debt may now be stated as follows :

The bonds designated as "Series A," payable on the first day of July, 1886, but redeemable at the option of the State at any time after the first day of July, A. D. 1882 . . .	\$250,000.00	
From which deduct amount redeemed January 1st, 1883	90,000.00	
Balance due of Series A		\$160,000.00
The bonds designated as "Series B," payable on the first day of July, 1891, but redeemable at the option of the State at any time after the 1st day of July, 1886		300,000.00
The bonds designated as "Series C," payable on the first day of July, 1901, but redeemable at the option of the State at any time after the 1st day of July, 1891,		165,000.00
Total amount of bonded debt of the State on the first day of January, 1883, exclusive of the School Fund bond		<u>\$625,000.00</u>

Bond of the State to the School Fund, bearing interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, payable on the first day of July, 1906,	156,750.00
Certificate of indebtedness held by Del- aware College	83,000.00
Total amount of State debt, January 1st, 1883	<u>\$864,750.00</u>

ASSETS.

The semi-annual interest-bearing investments are as follows, viz :

Mortgage on Junction and Breakwater Railroad	\$400,000.00
Mortgage on Breakwater and Frank- ford Railroad	200,000.00
1275 shares of Farmers' Bank stock at \$50.00	63,750.00
20 shares of National Bank of Dela- ware stock at \$465	<u>9,300.00</u>
Total	\$673,050.00

The aggregate investments for the benefit of the School Fund amount to four hundred and ninety-five thousand seven hundred and forty-nine dollars.

Total investments belonging to General Fund	\$673,050.00
Aggregate investments for the benefit of School Fund	495,749.00
Amount due the State from all sources January 1st, 1883,	76,384.38
Cash in the Treasury belonging to the General Fund, exclusive of the amount required to pay interest and redeem bonds called for January 1st, 1883	<u>19,501.60</u>
Total amount of assets	\$1,264,684.98
Total debt after January 1st, 1883	<u>864,750.00</u>
Excess of assets over liabilities	\$ 399,934.98

As shown by the foregoing statement, the assets of the State exceed its liabilities three hundred and ninety-nine thousand nine hundred and thirty-four dollars and ninety-eight cents.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

According to the report of the State Treasurer, the receipts and expenditures, present and anticipated, for the year 1882, are as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Total amount of actual receipts	\$141,238.19
Total amount due the State from various sources, not payable until January 1st, 1883	37,497.72
Amount due the State from the Breakwater and Frankford Railroad Company, January 1st, 1882, arrears of interest on mortgage	38,886.66
Total	<u>\$217,622.57</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Total amount actually disbursed	\$ 94,259.24
Amount set apart for the redemption of bonds called for January 1st, 1883	90,000.00
Amount set apart to pay interest on 4 per cent. bonds, due January 1st, 1883	14,300.00
Amount applicable to School Fund derived from investments for the benefit of said fund,	14,991.50
Amount set apart to pay interest on certificate of indebtedness to Delaware College	2,490.00
Total	<u>\$ 216,040.74</u>
Balance of receipts, present and anticipated	\$ 1,581.83

The General balance now in the Treasury, belonging to the General Fund, including all moneys due the State, is \$95,885.98.

RAILROAD ARREARS.

It may be assumed without further assurance, that the amount due from the Breakwater and Frankford Railroad Company as arrears of interest on the mortgage held by the State, which is included in the general balance, is not at present available, and being deducted therefrom, will leave in the Treasury the sum of \$56,999.32,—present available funds. I deem it my duty to call your attention to the matter, so that you may take whatever steps, in relation thereto, you shall deem proper.

SCHOOL FUND.

As appears by the foregoing financial statement, the School Fund was augmented by the conversion of the certificates of loan to the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company into cash, (under the authority contained in a joint resolution adopted at the last session of the General Assembly,) \$46,750. This was a very wise and judicious act.

Without increasing the present rate of taxation, the School Fund may be still further augmented by transferring to the same a certain portion of the revenues of the State belonging to the General Fund. The rate at which the bonds of the State are being extinguished, warrants the conclusion, that, on the first day of January, 1885, after defraying the ordinary expenses of the State Government, and redeeming all the bonds embraced in "Series A," there will be a surplus in the Treasury belonging to the General Fund. The bonds embraced in "Series B," will not be redeemable until July 1st, A. D. 1886, during which time the surplus will steadily increase by the semi-annual receipts. Now, in order to avoid the existence of an idle and inactive fund in the Treasury, and to utilize the moneys as they are received, I recommend that a portion of the revenues now belonging to the General Fund be appropriated towards the support of the Free Schools of the State. This can be done without postponing the payment of the four per cent. bonds beyond the period of their maturity or redeemability. The propriety of such step must be obvious to the mind of every person, who reflects, that upon the general diffusion of knowledge depends the perpetuity of our republican form of government. Therefore, to make the free school system of the State as efficient as possible, so far as that end can be accomplished by legislative enactment, is an obligation which rests upon us, for the proper discharge of which the rising generation will hold us to a strict accountability.

SUPERINTENDENT OF FREE SCHOOLS.

I herewith transmit the report of the Superintendent of Free Schools. To the facts and suggestions contained therein, I invite your careful attention.

REPRESENTATION.

The large growth of population and wealth in New Castle County since the adoption of the present constitution, has rendered an increase of representation from that county in the Legislature a necessity. It is your duty, therefore, to adopt such legislation as will result in the accomplishment of this needed change, or re-adjustment, of the basis of representation in the General Assembly.

CRIMINAL TRIALS.

In capital cases, the persons indicted may peremptorily challenge a certain number of jurors, while the prosecuting officer is not authorized to challenge any. In order to put the accused and the State upon an equal footing with reference to challenges in such cases, I recommend the passage of a law conferring upon the Attorney General the right to peremptorily challenge an equal number of jurors. Such a law would secure fairer and more impartial trials in such cases, and thereby strengthen the sense of public security, which the penalties of the law inspire.

EXTRADITION OF FUGITIVES FROM JUSTICE.

The provision of the Constitution of the United States, relating to persons charged with crime, who have fled from justice in one State and taken refuge within another State; is intended to aid only in the administration of the criminal law. In some instances this power has been successfully sought for purposes alien to the spirit and intent of the Constitution. In order to prevent the abuse of this constitutional provision, I recommend the passage of a law authorizing the Governor, when he shall deem it necessary, to require an examination of the facts and circumstances surrounding the case, before the Associate Judge of the county, either upon the application for the demand, or for the surrender a fugitive from justice; such Judge to certify to the Governor the result of the investigation, which shall be a guide to him in the performance of his official duty in that behalf.

YOUTHFUL CRIMINALS.

Youths of tender years, imprisoned in the common jails of the State, as a penalty for the commission of crime, are forced into an association with old and hardened criminals, which has a tendency to blunt and impair their moral sensibilities and thus destroy the power of reformation. When their terms of imprisonment expire, with their baser passions quickened and strengthened, they are ready to enter upon a career of crime and dishonesty. If such criminals could be placed in some House of Refuge outside of the State, the object of which is the moral reformation of that unfortunate class, it would be a blessing to them, and would not cost the State much more than maintaining them in the common jail of either county. I therefore recommend that some provision be made for the removal of such criminals to some reformatory institution without the State.

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

The health of a community is more essential to the happiness of the people than their material prosperity, hence any effort put forth for the suppression of disease should receive your generous encouragement. The gentlemen composing the Board of Health are among the most eminent in their profession in the State, and their suggestions should, therefore, command your most careful attention. I am of the opinion that a small appropriation to defray the expense of printing and distributing pamphlets concerning diseases, and the best means for the suppression thereof, would be advisable.

CONTESTED ELECTIONS.

In view of the delay necessarily incident to the common law mode of determining contested elections, I would suggest the propriety of establishing a more speedy method of settling and adjudicating such cases.

STATE MILITIA.

There are six volunteer companies in the State, namely Companies A, B, C, D, E, and F. They are organized into two battalions, which are consolidated into one regiment. Since the meeting of the last General Assembly the State militia have participated in the ceremonies of two memorable occasions, one, the

commemoration of the centennial anniversary of the victory at Yorktown, and the other the bi-centennial celebration at Philadelphia. At both of which, notwithstanding their recent organization, they elicited the highest praise and admiration on account of their soldierly bearing, perfect drill, and handsome equipments, thus reflecting credit upon the State as well as themselves. I commend the State militia to your favorable consideration.

ADJUTANT-GENERAL.

At the last session of the General Assembly, a joint resolution was adopted, appropriating two thousand dollars towards the payment of the cost of transportation of the State militia to Yorktown, in 1881, and the cost of their rations while in attendance at the celebration of the centennial anniversary of the surrender of Cornwallis. The Adjutant-General, finding that the amount appropriated was insufficient for the purpose, generously supplied, from his private funds, the additional amount necessary to meet the costs as above named. I, therefore, recommend the adoption of a joint resolution, authorizing the State Treasurer to reimburse the Adjutant-General.

IMMIGRATION.

When we consider Delaware, with reference to its geographical location, and its commercial advantages and facilities, in connection with the comparative salubrity of its climate; the abundance of game, fish, and oysters; the adaptation of its soil to the growth of the most important and valuable cereals, and nearly all the large and small fruits, there is no reason why all its waste and unproductive places should not be made to "blossom as the rose." The reason why certain sections are not equal with other more important localities, is that the population is not sufficient to develop their resources and utilize all the advantages which lay within the grasp of human effort. In order to encourage immigration, and thereby increase our population, I recommend the appointment of an Immigration Commissioner, with a small compensation, whose duty it shall be to adopt all practicable means to diffuse such information concerning our natural advantages as will invite immigration from other States and countries.

INSURANCE.

According to the Report of the Insurance Commissioner, the department of insurance has been a great benefit to the people,

in the protection which it has afforded them against the operations of companies of doubtful solvency. The extensive interests to be affected by such institutions require that this department shall be made as efficient as possible.

FISH CULTURE.

The feasibility of propagating fish by artificial methods appears to be no longer a matter of much doubt or speculation. The results which have been obtained from the experiment will justify a more liberal appropriation towards supplying and stocking our waters with fish to which they are adapted.

PAYMENT OF WITNESS FEES.

At the last session of the General Assembly the Governor was authorized, by a joint resolution, to employ counsel to defend persons who had been indicted in the District Court for an alleged interference with United States marshals at the general election in 1880, in the City of Wilmington, but no provision was made for the payment of witnesses in behalf of the defendants. I therefore recommend that the State Treasurer be authorized to pay the fees of such witnesses, upon the presentation of the proper vouchers.

CHARITIES.

The number of indigent deaf and dumb, indigent blind and insane, and also the number of indigent feeble-minded children, now maintained in the various institutions outside of the State, the expense of which is apportioned to the different counties, is as follows:

In the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, . . .	1
In the Columbia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, . . .	10
In the Pennsylvania Institution for the Instruction of Blind, . . .	2
In the Pennsylvania Training School for Feeble-minded Children,	2
In the Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane,	2
Total,	17

These unfortunate classes of people are legitimate objects of the public bounty, and should receive the liberal aid of the State in obtaining the benefits of the discipline and training afforded in the institutions established in other States for such purposes.

ELECTIONS.

In my first biennial message, I called attention to the importance of preserving the freedom and purity of the ballot, and recommended the adoption of such means as would secure that end. The Legislature, in pursuance thereof, enacted a law to prevent the intimidation or coercion of any elector, but neglected to provide any further security against bribery and corruption, by suppletory legislation. I again invite attention to the matter, and urge upon you the necessity of taking such steps as will effectually suppress the crime of bribery at elections, in all its forms.

REPRIEVES AND PARDONS.

I herewith transmit a list of reprieves, pardons, and remissions, granted since my first biennial message, with my reasons for granting the same.

CONCLUSION.

In a short time I shall descend from the high station to which I was called by the untrammelled suffrages of the people, and, with a deep sense of gratitude for their many expressions of kindness and favor, return to the quietude of private life. While all my acts have not commanded universal approval, yet I shall carry with me the consolation that, during my term of office, I have done nothing intentionally to betray the trust so generously confided to me by a virtuous and intelligent people. If any mistakes have been committed, they were errors of the understanding, and not of intention, which I leave to the judgment of a discriminating public.

I shall soon extend a welcome to my successor in office, and I assure you that it is a very agreeable privilege, inasmuch as his sterling integrity, practical ability and liberal ideas concerning State policy, so pre-eminently qualify him for the performance of the duties that await his entrance into office.

In retiring from public office, I can think of no more fitting sentiment with which to close my last communication to the General Assembly, than to commend you, and all those who are charged with the administration of public affairs, to the Supreme Disposer of human events, whose wisdom will be a light unto your feet in the path of public duty.

JOHN W. HALL.

DOVER, January 2d, 1883.

On motion of Mr. Horsey, the Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY — 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cooper offered a resolution, which was read, as follows :

Resolved, That in addition to the standing committees directed to be appointed, the Speaker shall appoint a Committee on Divorce, consisting of three.

And, on his further motion, was *Adopted*.

On motion of Mr. Roe, the clerk was instructed to have 300 copies of the Governor's Message printed.

Mr. Horsey moved that the other papers be read, unless otherwise directed by the Senate.

Which motion *Prevailed*.

On motion of Mr. Mustard, the Adjutant-General's Report was laid on the table, subject to further consideration of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Mustard, the Report of Superintendent of Free Schools was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the Report of State Treasurer was laid on the table.

Reports of Farmers' Bank at Georgetown, Farmers' Bank at Dover, and Farmers' Bank at Wilmington, were read.

Mr. Waples, the Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted a joint resolution that when the two Houses shall adjourn it shall be until Monday next.

Mr. Cooper moved that the papers accompanying the Governor's Message be taken up one at a time, and read as the Senate may determine.

Which motion

Prevailed.

Clerk read State Chemist's Report; also the Report of the State Board of Health.

On motion of Mr. Mustard, the clerk was instructed to have 500 copies printed of the Report of the State Board of Health.

Mr. Chandler moved that the House joint resolution be read.

Which motion

Prevailed.

And the resolution being read,

Mr. Chandler moved that the Senate now concur in the House joint resolution.

Which motion

Prevailed.

Ordered, that the House be informed thereof.

The clerk read communications on the subject of the Extradition Laws; a petition for relief from part of our taxation; and resolutions of Legislature of Virginia.

Mr. Roe offered a joint resolution, which, on his motion, was read, as follows:

Be it Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met, That a Committee of five be appointed, three on the part of the House, and two on the part of the Senate, to examine the reports and sundry documents accompanying the message of the Governor, and re-

port to the respective Houses such reports and documents as shall be printed for public information.

And on his further motion, was

Adopted.

Whereupon Messrs. Roe and Cooper were appointed said committee on the part of the Senate.

Mr. Waples, the clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted a joint resolution appointing a joint committee to draft rules for the government of intercourse between the two Houses.

On motion of Mr. Horsey, the House joint resolution was read, as follows:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly met, That there be a joint committee of five, two on the part of the Senate, and three on the part of the House, to report rules governing the intercourse between the two Houses.

Which, on his further motion, was

Concurred in.

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

Whereupon the Speaker appointed Messrs. Horsey and Chandler.

Mr. Cooper moved that the papers accompanying the Governor's Message be transmitted to the House, as requested by the Governor.

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Mustard offered a resolution, which was read, as follows:

Resolved, That a committee of three, consisting of Senators Chandler, Cavender, and Betts, be appointed to draft rules for the government of the Senate during its session.

And further, on his motion, was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Horsey, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, January 3d, 1883—10 o'clock, A. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called. Members present: Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Horsey, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Horsey offered

A joint resolution for the appointment of a joint committee of five, two on the part of the Senate, and three on the part of the House, to examine State Treasurer's account.

Which, on his motion, was read, and further, on his motion, was *Adopted.*

Mr. Chandler, on behalf of the Committee on Rules for the government of the Senate during its session, presented a report, which, on his motion, was read as follows :

RULE 1. Every member shall be in his place at the time to which the Senate stands adjourned.

RULE 2. Every day, before the Senate proceeds to other business, the Clerk shall call the names of the members in alphabetical order, and shall read the journal of the preceding day, which may be corrected by unanimous consent of the Senate.

RULE 3. No member shall be allowed to speak upon any subject more than three times, except in explanation, without leave obtained through the Speaker.

RULE 4. No member shall be allowed to interrupt another while speaking, unless on points of order, and then only through

the Speaker, and no member shall be referred to by name in debate.

RULE 5. All motions shall be subject to debate, except motions to adjourn, to lay on the table, and for the previous question.

RULE 6. Questions of order shall be determined by the Speaker without debate, from whose decision an appeal may be had to the Senate at the request of any member.

RULE 7. The Speaker shall appoint all committees, unless the Senate shall otherwise direct.

RULE 8. Every committee shall report within five days of actual session of the Senate from the time of their appointment, or furnish reasons why a report has not been made.

RULE 9. All motions and resolutions, except for the reading of bills, the daily adjournment of the Senate, or any motion to refer any subject, or postpone, shall, if requested by the Speaker, or any member, be reduced to writing by the mover, and if seconded, shall be repeated by the Speaker to the Senate before any debate or decision is had thereon.

RULE 10. Every motion on which a vote is taken shall be entered on the journal, and (except motions for adjournment) the name of the member moving the same.

RULE 11. Petitions, memorials, and other papers addressed to the Senate, shall be presented by the Speaker or a member, who shall briefly state the contents thereof.

RULE 12. When a question has been decided in the affirmative or negative, any member who voted in the majority, or any member absent at the time of said voting, who, if present, would have voted with the majority, may move for reconsideration thereof at any time within three days of actual session of the Senate, and the word "majority" shall, in the application of this rule, be construed to mean not the greater number of votes, but such number as was sufficient to prevail in the decision of the original question.

RULE 13. Every bill shall be introduced by motion for leave, by order of the Senate, or by report of a committee, and

one day's notice at least shall be given of an intended motion for leave to bring in a bill.

RULE 14. Every bill shall receive three readings in the Senate previous to its passage, and no bill shall be read twice on the same day, without special order of the Senate; and every bill, whether reported by a committee or otherwise, shall be taken up for consideration before passing to its third reading.

RULE 15. All bills ordered to be engrossed shall be certified by the Clerk, noting the day of passing at the foot thereof.

RULE 16. All messages from the Senate to the House of Representatives shall be conveyed by the Clerk or a member, as the Speaker may direct.

RULE 17. All bills and resolutions which the standing rules of the Senate require to be three several times read, may be amended at any time before they are taken up for the third or final reading, and no amendment shall afterwards be made so as to materially change or alter their meaning.

RULE 18. When a message is brought to the Senate by a member of the House, or any officer of the State, the members shall rise upon their feet.

RULE 19. The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in Cushing's Manual shall govern the Senate in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the standing rules of the Senate.

RULE 20. A vote of the majority shall prevail, except in special cases to the contrary.

RULE 21. A special order, as provided for in Rule 14, shall be granted upon a vote of a majority of all the members.

RULE 22. All resolutions offered in the Senate, shall, at the request of any member, be laid over for at least one day of actual session.

RULE 23. Unless otherwise ordered by a majority, the Senate shall meet every day (Sundays excepted), at 10 o'clock in the morning, and 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

RULE 24. No rule of the Senate shall be changed or suspended except by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

RULE 25. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, for the previous question, to postpone to a day certain, to commit, to amend, and to postpone indefinitely; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged.

The above rules are respectfully submitted.

SWITHIN CHANDLER,
EDWARD BETTS,
W. T. CAVENDER,

Committee.

On motion of Mr. Chandler the rules were adopted as the rules governing the Senate during its session.

Mr. Cavender, on behalf of the committee to wait upon Rev. Mr. Gibson, reported that the committee had performed that duty, and that Mr. Gibson had accepted.

Mr. Chandler offered a resolution, which, on his motion, was read, as follows:

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing be directed to have printed in pamphlet form, 100 copies of the rules for the government of the Senate, the joint rules for the government of intercourse between the two Houses, and the standing committees of the Senate.

Mr. Chandler moved the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. Mustard moved, to amend by striking out 100 and inserting 50.

Which motion

Prevailed.

The resolution, as amended, was then read and *Adopted.*

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

“An act to repeal Chapter 328, Volume 16, Laws of the State of Delaware, entitled, ‘An act to provide a uniform ballot for election purposes.’”

“An act to amend Section 16 of Chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, ‘General provisions concerning crimes and punishments.’”

“An act to amend Section 9 of Chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, ‘general provisions respecting Public Officers.’”

“An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 397, Volume 11, Laws of Delaware, entitled, ‘An act in relation to insane persons.’”

The Speaker announced the appointment of Messrs. Horsey and Chandler, on committee named in joint resolution for appointment of joint committee to examine State Treasurer's account.

Joint resolution ordered to House for concurrence.

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that a joint resolution adjourning both Houses until Monday next, at 3 o'clock, had been adopted by the House, and the Senate requested to concur therein.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the joint resolution was read.

Mr. Betts moved to amend by adding half to three.

Which motion *Prevailed.*

And the amendment was *Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Betts, the joint resolution, as amended,
was *Concurred in.*

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted a joint resolution, authorizing the State Librarian to have the State House supplied with water from Dover Water Works, and requested the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Betts moved to amend the resolution by adding the words "subject to the supervision and direction of the Speakers of the two Houses."

Which motion

Prevailed.

And the amendment was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the joint resolution as amended,
was *Concurred in.*

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had concurred in the amendment to the House joint resolution to adjourn.

And further,

That the House had concurred in the Senate amendment to the House joint resolution authorizing the State Librarian to have the State House supplied with water from the Dover Water Works.

Mr. A. B. Cooper moved that the Senate now take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Which motion

Prevailed.

The Senate resumed business at 2 o'clock P. M.

The Speaker announced the Standing Committees as follows:

Committee on Corporations — Messrs. Chandler, Roe, and Mustard.

Committee on Enrolled Bills — Messrs. Cavender, Chandler, Houston, and Roe.

Committee on Elections — Messrs. Horsey, Betts, and Houston.

Committee on Accounts — Messrs. Cooper, Roe, and Mustard.

Committee on Claims — Messrs. Roe, Betts, and Horsey.

Committee on Finance — Messrs. Betts, Houston, and Chandler.

Committee on Roads and Highways — Messrs. Houston, Chandler, and Horsey.

Committee on Vacant Lands — Messrs. Cavender, Mustard, and Chandler.

Committee on Judiciary — Messrs. Horsey, Cooper, and Cavender.

Committee on Revised Statutes — Messrs. Cooper, Cavender, and Horsey.

Committee on Agriculture — Messrs. Roe, Houston, and Horsey.

Committee on Printing — Messrs. Mustard, Betts, and Cavender.

Committee on Cities and Towns — Messrs. Betts, Cooper, and Mustard.

Committee on Education — Messrs. Mustard, Cavender, and Betts.

Committee on Divorce — Messrs. Houston, Roe, and Cooper.

On motion, the Senate now adjourned.

MONDAY, January 8, 1883—3.30 o'clock P. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the chaplain.

Roll called. Members present: Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Horsey, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker.

Journal read, amended, and approved.

On motion of Mr. Cavender, that portion of the Governor's message relating to Immigration was referred to the Committee on Vacant Lands.

Mr. Roe offered a joint resolution, which, on his motion, was read, as follows:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met, That the members of the Senate and members of the House of Representatives, assemble in the hall of the House of Representatives, at 11 o'clock A. M. on Tuesday next, the 9th instant, to be present at the opening and publishing, according to the Constitution of this State, of the returns of the election held in the several counties of the State, on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November last, for Governor, and that two tellers be appointed, to wit: one on the part of the Senate, and one on the part of the House of Representatives, to make a list of the votes as the same shall be published from said returns.

And on his further motion was

Adopted.

And ordered to the House for concurrence.

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

“ An act to incorporate The Delaware Lumber Company.”

“ An act to incorporate the Springer, Morley & Gause Company.”

“ An act to incorporate the National Dredging Company.”

Mr. Cavender offered a resolution, which, on his motion, was read, as follows :

Resolved, That the privilege of the floor be, and is hereby extended to ministers of the gospel, and the members of the bar of this State.

Mr. Cooper, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and, on motion of Mr. Betts, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“ An act to amend Section 16 of Chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, ‘ General provisions concerning Crimes and Punishments.’ ”

Which, on motion of Mr. Cooper, was read.

Mr. Cooper, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on motion of Mr. Betts, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“ An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 397, Volume 11, Laws of Delaware, entitled, ‘ An act in relation to insane Persons.’ ”

Which, on motion of Mr. Cooper, was read.

Mr. Cooper offered a resolution, which, on his motion, was read as follows :

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be directed to keep the temperature of the Senate chamber at 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

Which, on his further motion, was *Adopted*.

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, returned to

the Senate with the information that they had concurred in the following Senate joint resolutions, viz. :

Joint resolution appointing a joint committee of the two Houses to examine the State Treasurer's report, and had appointed Messrs. Risler, Cooch, and Frazer said committee on the part of House.

And,

Joint resolution relating to the printing of certain reports and documents, and had appointed on said committee, Messrs. Crawford, Temple, and Perry, on the part of the House.

Mr. Cooper, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on motion of Mr. Horsey, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 9 of Chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'General provisions respecting Public Officers,'"

Which, on his further motion, was read.

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

"An act in reference to the competency of jurors in capital cases."

On motion, the Senate adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 9, 1883 — 10 o'clock, P. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present: Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Horsey, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Horsey, from joint committee to draft rules for the government of intercourse between the two Houses, presented a report, which, on his motion, was read, as follows:

JOINT RULES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF INTERCOURSE BETWEEN
THE TWO HOUSES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
STATE OF DELAWARE.

RULE 1. In every case of an amendment to a bill, or any other matter agreed to in one House, and dissented to in the other, if either house shall request a conference, and appoint a committee for that purpose, the other house shall also appoint a committee to confer. Such committee shall, at a convenient hour agreed on by their chairman, meet in the Conference Chamber, and state to each other, verbally or in writing, as either shall choose, the reasons of their respective houses for and against the amendment or other matter of disagreement, and confer freely thereon.

RULE 2. When a message shall be sent from either house to the other, it shall be announced at the door of the house to which it is sent, by the Sergeant-at-Arms, and shall be respectfully communicated to the Chair by the person by whom it may be sent.

RULE 3. Messages shall be sent by such persons as a sense of propriety in each house may determine.

RULE 4. While bills or joint resolutions are on their passage between the two houses, they shall be on paper and under the signature of the Clerk of each house respectively.

RULE 5. After a bill or joint resolution shall have passed both houses it shall be duly enrolled by the Clerk of the house in which it originated, and shall be examined by a committee of each house respectively, who shall carefully compare the enrollment with the original, as passed by both houses, and, after correcting any errors that may be discovered in the enrolled copy, shall make a report to their respective houses.

RULE 6. After examination and report, each bill or joint resolution shall be signed in the respective houses, first by the Speaker of the house in which it originated.

RULE 7. When a bill or resolution which shall have passed in one house is rejected in the other, notice thereof shall be given to the house in which the same shall have passed.

RULE 8. Each house shall transmit to the other all papers on which any bill or joint resolution may be founded.

RULE 9. After each house shall have adhered to their disagreement, a bill or joint resolution shall be lost.

Respectfully submitted.

ANDREW J. HORSEY,
SWITHIN CHANDLER,

Committee on the part of the Senate.

WILLIAM COOCH,
J. THOMAS LOWE,
GEORGE W. RISLER,

Committee on the part of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the report was adopted as the joint rules of the two Houses, and the committee discharged.

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

"An act to incorporate the Brandywine Catholic Literary Association, of Brandywine, Delaware."

Mr. Betts, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on motion of Mr. Chandler, obtained leave to introduced a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Lumber Company."

Which, on motion of Mr. Betts, was read.

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted a joint resolution appointing a joint committee of eight, three on the part of the Senate, and five on the part of the House, to make suitable arrangements for the inauguration of the Governor.

Committee on part of the House, Messrs. Comegys, Lewis, Wheatley, Sutton, and Messick.

And, also, that the House had concurred in the Senate joint resolution convening the two Houses, to open and publish the returns of the vote for Governor.

Mr. Betts, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and, on motion of Mr. Horsey, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Springer, Morley & Gause Company."

Which, on motion of Mr. Betts, was read.

Mr. Cooper, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and, on motion of Mr. Chandler, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to repeal Chapter 328, Volume 16, of the Laws of the State of Delaware, entitled, an act to provide a uniform ballot for election purposes,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Cooper, was read.

Mr. Cooper offered a resolution, which, on his motion, was read, as follows:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to take

into consideration all of the Governor's Message, except that part concerning immigration, said committee to report in three days.

And, on his further motion, was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Roe, the House joint resolution appointing joint committee to make suitable arrangements for the inauguration of the Governor,

Was read, and, on his further motion, was *Concurred in.*

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

The Speaker announced the appointment as committee on Governor's Message, Messrs. Cooper, Cavender, and Mustard.

And as committee of arrangements for inauguration, Messrs. Roe, Houston, and Chandler.

On motion of Mr. Cooper,

The bill entitled, "An act to amend Section 16 of Chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'General provisions concerning crimes and punishments,'"

Was read a second time by its title, and, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Cooper,

The bill entitled, "An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 397, Volume 11, Laws of Delaware, entitled, 'An act in relation to insane persons,'"

Was read a second time by its title, and, on his further motion, was referred to Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Cooper,

The bill entitled, "An act to amend Section 9 of Chapter 24, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'General provisions respecting public officers,'"

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

Mr. Cavender, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported as being duly and correctly enrolled and ready to receive the signature of the Speaker, the Senate joint resolution convening the two Houses in joint meeting to open and publish the votes for Governor.

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House would be ready to receive the Senate in two minutes.

The hour of 11 o'clock having arrived, the senators, in conformity with the joint resolution convening the two houses in joint meeting to open and publish the votes for Governor, proceeded to the hall of the House of Representatives, preceded by their Speaker, and accompanied by their Clerk and Sergeant-at-Arms.

Joint meeting to open and publish the returns of the vote for Governor at the last general election.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
January 9th, 1883—11 o'clock, A. M.

The two houses being convened in joint meeting,

On motion of Mr. Horsey of the Senate,

The resolution convening the two houses was read by the clerk of the Senate, as follows:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware, in General Assembly met, That the members of the Senate and members of the House of Representatives assemble in the hall of the House of Representatives, at 11 o'clock A. M., on Tuesday next, the 9th inst., to be present at the opening and publishing, according to the Constitution of this State, of the returns of the election held in the several counties of the State, on Tuesday next after the first Monday in November last, for Governor, and that two tellers be appointed, to wit, one on the part of the Senate and one on the part of the House of Rep-

representatives, to make a list of the votes as the same shall be published from said returns.

Mr. Chandler was appointed teller on part of the Senate, and Mr. Cooch on the part of the House.

Samuel B. Cooper, Esq., Speaker of the Senate, thereupon opened and published the official returns of the election in the several counties of this State, for Governor, from which it appears, that on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November last, A. D. 1882, there were given

For Charles C. Stockley :

In New Castle county,	8,050 votes.
In Kent county,	3,865 "
In Sussex county,	4,643 "
Total,	16,558 "

For Albert Curry :

In New Castle county,	7,909 votes.
In Kent county,	3,332 "
In Sussex county,	3,379 "
Total,	14,620 "

Alfred G. Cox, in New Castle county, 1 vote.
 Charles C. Wiltbank, in New Castle county, . . . 19 votes.
 Milo T. Blanchard, in New Castle county, . . . 21 "
 William G. Whiteley, in New Castle county, . . . 1 vote.

Charles C. Stockley, having received a majority of the votes, was declared by the Speaker of the Senate to have been duly elected Governor of the State of Delaware, on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November last, for the constitutional term of four years, from the third Tuesday of January, instant.

The Speaker of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, then signed two certificates of election of Governor, which were attested by the clerks of the respective Houses.

On motion of Mr. Lewis, of the House of Representatives, the certificates, as signed and attested, were read, as follows :

STATE OF DELAWARE, SS.

BE IT KNOWN, That the General Assembly having met at Dover, Samuel B. Cooper, Speaker of the Senate, on the 9th day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three (1883), did open and publish, in the presence of the members of the Senate and of the House of Representatives, according to the Constitution of the said State, the returns of the elections held in the several counties of the said State, on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November last, for Governor, and by said returns it appears that Charles C. Stockley was, on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November last, duly chosen Governor of the State of Delaware, according to the Constitution and laws of the State, to hold the said office of Governor, during four years from the third Tuesday of January, instant, agreeably to the Constitution.

SAMUEL B. COOPER,
Speaker of Senate.

THOMAS H. DENNEY,
Speaker pro tem. of the House of Representatives.

Attest:

CHARLES W. WHILEY, JR.,
Clerk of Senate.

E. W. WAPLES,
Clerk of House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Horsey of the Senate,

The journals of the two Houses were read by the respective clerks, and compared.

On motion of Mr. Roe of the Senate,

The two Houses separated, and the Senators returned to their chamber.

On motion the Senate adjourned till 3 o'clock P. M.

SAME DAY — 3 o'clock P. M.

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

“An act to incorporate Wesleyan College.”

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

“An act to vest the title of a certain lot of ground with the buildings thereon erected, in the city of New Castle, in trustees, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

On motion the Senate adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 10, 1883—10 o'clock, A. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present: Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Horsey, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Roe, from the joint committee appointed to examine certain papers and documents accompanying the Governor's Message, presented a report, which, on his motion, was read, as follows :

The joint committee of the two Houses, to whom were referred the papers and documents accompanying the Governor's Message, have directed me to report to the Senate that they have met and considered the said papers and documents, and have returned the same to the House, in whose custody they were, with the following recommendations: That the statements of the financial condition of Farmers' Bank be referred to the Committee on Finance; that the papers relating to fugitives from justice, be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; that five hundred copies of the second biennial report of the State Board of Health be printed for the use of the House, the same number having been already ordered to be printed by the Senate; that three hundred copies of the report of the Superintendent of Free Schools, be printed for the use of the Senate, two thousand of the same having already been ordered to be printed for the use of the House. As to all other papers and documents accompanying the said message, the committee have nothing to recommend.

On motion of Mr. Mustard, the report was received and adopted, and the committee discharged.

Mr. Cooper offered a resolution, which, on his motion, was read, as follows:

Resolved, That the Clerk be directed to have printed two hundred copies of the report of the State Treasurer, and three hundred copies of the report of the Superintendent of Free Schools, for the use of the Senate.

And, on his further motion, was

Adopted.

Mr. Cooper, from special committee on Governor's message, presented a report, which, on his motion, was read, as follows:

The committee to whom was referred all of the Governor's message excepting that part in relation to immigration, beg leave to report that they have considered the matter committed to them, and respectfully recommend as follows, to wit: That all that part of said message relating to railroad arrears be referred to the Committee on Finance: that all that part referring to the School Fund and the report of the Superintendent of Free Schools, be referred to the Committee on Education: That all that part referring to the increase of representation from New Castle County, to the extradition of fugitives from justice, to youthful criminals, and to contested elections, be referred to the Committee on Judiciary; and that all that part of said message referring to bribery and corruption at elections, be referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Cooper the report was received and

Adopted.

And the committee discharged.

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

"An act to incorporate the Diamond State Organ Company of the city of Wilmington."

Mr. Cooper moved that the references to committees as recommended in the report of the committee to whom was referred all of the Governor's message except that part relating to immigration, be ordered by the Senate.

Which motion

Prevailed.

And they were so ordered.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Delaware Lumber Company,"

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

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Springer, Morley & Gause Company,"

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

Mr. Betts, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and, on motion of Mr. Chandler, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate The Brandywine Catholic Literary Association, of Brandywine, Delaware."

Which, on motion of Mr. Betts, was read.

Mr. Betts, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on motion of Mr. Chandler, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Wesleyan College,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Betts, was read.

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

"An act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 127 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'Offences against the lives and persons of individuals.'"

On motion of Mr. Cooper,

The bill entitled, "An act to repeal Chapter 328, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled, 'An act to provide a uniform ballot for election purposes.'"

Was read a second time, by its title, and, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted a joint resolution appointing a joint committee of five, three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, to purchase a new flag for the State House, and asked the concurrence of the Senate,

And that Messrs. Comegys, Williams, and Perry had been appointed said committee on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the House joint resolution was read, and on motion of Mr. Horsey, the joint resolution was concurred in, and the clerk ordered to inform the House thereof.

Mr. Cooper, from the Committee on Revised Statutes, reported back with a favorable recommendation the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 16 of Chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'General provisions concerning crimes and punishments,'"

Which, on motion of Mr. Cooper, was taken up for consideration.

On his further motion, the bill under consideration was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

The question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" was decided in the affirmative, and the bill

Passed the Senate.

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

The Speaker announced as committee on the part of the Senate on joint committee to purchase a new flag for the State House, Messrs. Cavender and Houston.

On motion, the Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock P. M.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock P. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment..

Mr. Betts offered a joint resolution, which, on his motion, was read, as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware, in General Assembly met, That when the two Houses adjourn to-morrow, they adjourn to meet on Monday next, at 4 o'clock P. M.

And, on his further motion, was

Adopted.

And ordered to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Roe offered a resolution, which, on his motion, was read, as follows :

Resolved by the Senate of the State of Delaware, That the Secretary of State be and he is hereby authorized to make a tabular list of appointments to office made by the Executive authority of the State, from the 21st day of January, A. D. 1879, to the 16th day of January, A. D. 1883, and submit the same to the Senate,

And, on his further motion, was

Adopted.

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had amended the Senate joint resolution of adjournment, and had concurred in the same as amended.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the amendment was read, as follows

January 10, 1883.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Extract from Journal.

Amend the joint resolution by inserting after the word tomorrow, the word morning.

Attest,

E. W. WAPLES,
Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Roe, the Senate concurred in the House amendment.

On motion, the Senate adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 11th — 10 o'clock A. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called. Members present, Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Horsey, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporations, reported back with a favorable recommendation, Senate bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Delaware Lumber Company;”

Also, Senate bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Springer, Morley & Gause Company.”

On motion of Mr. Roe, the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate The Delaware Lumber Company,”

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, the bill under consideration was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, “Shall this bill pass the Senate?” the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Horsey, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—9.

Nays—None.

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

Passed the Senate.

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Cavender, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported as being duly and correctly enrolled, and ready to receive the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, the following Senate joint resolutions, to wit:

A joint resolution appointing a joint committee to inform the Governor of the organization of the two Houses of the General Assembly.

Also,

A joint resolution for the appointment of a joint committee of the two Houses to examine the State Treasurer's account.

Also,

A joint resolution relating to printing certain reports and documents.

Mr. Roe offered a joint resolution, which, on his motion, was read, as follows:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Assembly met, That a joint committee, consisting of two on the part of the Senate, and three on the part of the House, be appointed to make settlement with Mr. C. S. Pennewill, for improvements on the Capitol Building,

And, on his further motion, was

Adopted.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Roe and Mustard said committee, on part of the Senate.

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Cooper, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and, on motion of Mr. Betts, obtained leave to introduce a bill, entitled,

"An act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 127 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'Offences against the lives and persons of individuals.'"

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the bill was read.

On motion of Mr. Roe, the bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Springer, Morley & Gause Company.”

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, the bill under consideration was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate,

On the question, “Shall this bill pass the Senate?” the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Horsey, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—9.

Nays—None.

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

Passed the Senate.

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Horsey, from the joint committee appointed to examine and settle the account of the State Treasurer, presented a report,

Which, on his motion, was read, as follows:

We, the undersigned, a committee appointed by a joint resolution to examine and settle the account of the State Treasurer (and to receive the Auditor's report), have performed that duty, and make the following statement:

On the 10th day of January A. D., 1883, the State Treasurer settled with the Auditor of Accounts, at which time there was due from the State Treasurer to the State, in the Farmers' Bank at Dover, general fund		\$30,148 74
There was due from the State Treasurer as trustee of the School Fund,		11,802 47
There was also due from the State Treasurer to the State as a sinking fund (under an act of the General Assembly, entitled, “An act in relation to oysters,” passed at Dover, March 25th, 1871),		3,503 63
Amount in treasury January 10th, 1883,		<hr/> \$45,454 84

And due to the School Districts, as follows:

In New Castle county,	\$3,316 59	
In Kent county,	2,839 69	
In Sussex county,	4,626 60	
		<hr/> 10,782 88

Deposited to the credit of the School District, as follows:

In Farmers' Bank at New Castle, \$3,316 59
In Farmers' Bank at Dover, . . 2,839 69
In Farmers' Bank at Georgetown, 4,626 60

ANDREW J. HORSEY,
SWITHIN CHANDLER,

Committee on part of Senate.

GEORGE W. RISLER,
WILLIAM COOCH,
E. C. FRAZER,

Committee on part of House.

On motion of Mr. Roe, the report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Mr. Chandler, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on motion of Mr. Cooper, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

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

Which, on motion of Mr. Chandler, was read.

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted a joint resolution entitled,

"A joint resolution in relation to printing all bills of a public character,"

And presented the same to the Senate for concurrence.

He also informed the Senate that the House had adopted the report of the joint committee to take into consideration the propriety of printing of certain documents accompanying the Governor's message.

Mr. Cooper, from the Committee on Revised Statutes, reported back, with a favorable recommendation, the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to amend Section 1, of Chapter 397, Volume 11, of the Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act in relation to insane persons,’ ”

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, the bill under consideration was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

The question, “Shall this bill pass the Senate?” was decided in the affirmative, and the bill *Passed the Senate.*

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Cooper, from the Committee on Revised Statutes, reported back, with favorable recommendation, the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to amend Section 9 of Chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, ‘General provisions respecting public officers,’ ”

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, the bill under consideration was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

The question, “Shall this bill pass the Senate?” was decided in the affirmative, and the bill *Passed the Senate.*

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled, “An act to incorporate the Brandywine Catholic Literary Association, of Brandywine, Delaware,”

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

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled, “An act to incorporate Wesleyan College,”

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

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had passed a bill entitled,

“An act to render valid the acknowledgment of a certain deed,”

Which, on motion of Mr. Betts, was read.

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had concurred in the Senate joint resolution for a committee to settle with C. S. Pennewill, and had appointed on the part of the House, Messrs. Crawford, Lewis, and Messick.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The House joint resolution in relation to the printing of all bills of a public character,

Was read, and on motion of Mr. Mustard, referred to the Committee on Printing.

On motion, the Senate adjourned.

MONDAY, January 15th,—4 o'clock P. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called. Members present, Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Horsey, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

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

“An act to re-enact the act to incorporate the Trustees of the Home for Friendless and Destitute Children, in the City of Wilmington.”

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

“An act to incorporate the Peninsula Bone Fertilizer Company.”

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled “An act to incorporate the Diamond State Organ Company,”

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

Mr. Cooper, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on motion of Mr. Chandler, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to vest the title of a certain lot of ground, with the buildings thereon erected, in the city of New Castle, in trustees, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.”

Which, on his motion, was read.

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

“ An act to incorporate the Pioneer Coach Company.”

Also,

“ An act to amend an act entitled, ‘ An act to incorporate the Delaware Beet Sugar Company,’ passed at Dover, March 25th, 1879.”

Mr. Betts, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on motion of Mr. Chandler, obtained leave to introduce a bill, entitled,

“ An act to incorporate the ‘ National Dredging Company.’ ”

Which, on his motion, was read.

Mr. Cooper presented the petition for divorce of Louisa Cummins, from William A. Cummins,

Which, on his motion, was read, and on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Divorce, to report by bill, or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the House bill entitled,

“ An act to render valid the acknowledgment of a certain deed.”

Was read a second time, by its title, and, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the bill entitled,

“ An act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 127 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, ‘ Offenses against the lives and persons of individuals,’ ”

Was read a second time by its title, and, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

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

"An act abolishing the wearing of a convict's jacket as a badge of crime."

Mr. Cooper, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and, on motion of Mr. Chandler, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act in reference to the competency of jurors in capital cases,"

Which, on his motion, was read.

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

"An act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 109 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'Of juries.'"

On motion, the Senate adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 16th, 1883—10 o'clock A. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present, Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Horsey, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Cooper offered a joint resolution,

Convening the two houses in joint session for the purpose of attending the Governor elect while the oaths of office are administered to him,

Which, on his further motion, was read, and on his further motion, was *Adopted.*

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted a joint resolution convening the two houses in joint session for the purpose of attending the Governor elect while the oaths of office are administered to him.

On motion of Mr. Cooper the House joint resolution was read, and, on his further motion, was *Non-concurred in.*

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

On motion of Mr. Horsey,

The Senate proceeded by a *viva voce* vote to choose a United States Senator to represent this State in Congress, for the constitutional term commencing the 4th of March next.

Which vote was as follows :

Mr. Betts voted for Nathaniel B. Smithers.

Mr. Cavender voted for Eli Saulsbury.

Mr. Chandler voted for Eli Saulsbury.

Mr. Cooper voted for Eli Saulsbury.

Mr. Horsey voted for Eli Saulsbury.

Mr. Houston voted for Eli Saulsbury.

Mr. Mustard voted for Eli Saulsbury.

Mr. Roe voted for Eli Saulsbury.

Mr. Speaker voted for Eli Saulsbury.

Hon. Eli Saulsbury having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared the choice of the Senate for the United States Senator to represent this State in Congress for the constitutional term commencing on the 4th of March next.

Mr. Betts, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on motion of Mr. Mustard, obtained leave to introduce a bill, entitled,

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Delaware Beet Sugar Company.”

On further motion of Mr. Betts, the bill was read.

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the house had concurred in the Senate joint resolution convening the two Houses in joint session for the purpose of attending the Governor elect, while the oaths of office were administered to him.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the National Dredging Company,”

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

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted the following joint resolutions, viz.:

Joint resolution appointing State Treasurer.

Joint resolution appointing Auditor of Accounts.

And,

Joint resolution appointing State Librarian,

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Horsey, the House joint resolution appointing a State Treasurer,

Was read, and, on motion of Mr. Roe, was *Concurred in*.

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

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the House joint resolution appointing an Auditor of Accounts,

Was read, and on motion of Mr. Horsey, was *Concurred in*.

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

On motion of Mr. Mustard, the House joint resolution appointing a State Librarian,

Was read, and on his further motion, was *Concurred in*.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the vote by which the House joint resolution appointing a State Librarian was concurred in was reconsidered, and, on motion of Mr. Chandler the said joint resolution was *Non-concurred in*.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the bill, entitled,

“An act to vest the title of a certain lot of ground, with the buildings thereon erected, in the City of New Castle, in trustees, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned,”

Was read a second time, by its title, and, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the bill entitled,

"An act in reference to the competency of jurors in capital cases,"

Was read a second time, by its title, and, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Cooper, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and, on motion of Mr. Chandler, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to re-enact the act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Home for Friendless and Destitute Children, in the City of Wilmington,'"

Which, on his further motion, was read.

Mr. Cooper, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on motion of Mr. Chandler, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 109 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'Of juries,'"

Which, on his further motion, was read.

Mr. Cooper, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on motion of Mr. Chandler, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act abolishing the wearing of a convict's jacket as a badge of crime,"

Which, on his further motion, was read.

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House would be ready to receive them in two minutes.

JOINT MEETING FOR THE PURPOSE OF ATTENDING THE INAUGURATION OF CHARLES C. STOCKLEY,
GOVERNOR-ELECT.

The hour having arrived for the joint meeting, the two houses jointly proceeded to the Kent county court room, and took the seats prepared for their reception.

The General Assembly being thus convened, the Governor elect, attended by the joint committee of the two houses, His Excellency Governor Hall, Ex-Governor John P. Cochran, Hon. Joseph P. Comegys, Chief Justice of the State of Delaware, Hon. Edward Wootten, Judge of the Superior Court, Hon. John W. Houston, Judge of the Superior Court, Hon. James Williams, Hon. Charles Brown, Hon. B. T. Biggs, Hon. E. L. Martin, Hon. John A. Nicholson, Hon. Charles B. Lore, B. B. Comegys, Esq., W. F. Causey, Esq., Dr. Henry Ridgely, George W. Cummins, Esq., Rev. Cyrus Huntington, Rev. L. W. Gibson, Wm. Dean, J. Alexander Fulton, Esq., Dr. E. S. Anderson,

Appeared and took seats upon the platform.

Prayer by Rev. L. W. Gibson, Chaplain of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Horsey of the Senate,

The joint resolution convening the two houses was read by the Clerk of the Senate.

Hon. Edward Wootten then administered the following oaths of office to the Governor elect, to wit:

I, Charles C. Stockley, do solemnly swear on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, that I will support the Constitution of the United States of America, so help me God.

I, Charles C. Stockley, do solemnly swear on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, that I will support the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and perform the duties of the office of Governor of the State of Delaware, with fidelity, so help me God.

His Excellency, the Governor, then delivered his inaugural address to the two houses of the General Assembly, as follows:

INAUGURAL ADDRESS.

Fellow-Citizens of the Senate and House of Representatives:

In entering upon the discharge of the duties pertaining to the office of chief magistrate of this State, I avail myself of the opportunity to express my grateful acknowledgments for the high honor conferred, and, in return, pledge an honest and sincere

desire to so administer the trust reposed, that the fair name and fame of our glorious little commonwealth shall be preserved untarnished, and the well-being and best interests of all her people sacredly guarded.

To accomplish and advance these important ends, I shall zealously dedicate my humble abilities, feeling that the source, to which I may look for the aids which alone can supply my deficiencies, is in the well-trying intelligence and virtue of my fellow citizens, and in the counsels of those representing them in the different departments of the State government. In these my confidence will be placed, next to that in which we have all been encouraged to feel in the protection and guidance of the Almighty Ruler of the Universe, in whose hands are the destinies of States and of men, and to whom we address our devout gratitude for the past, as well as our fervent supplications and best hopes for the future.

The present period of our history is cause for congratulation, by reason of the bounteous harvests and fruits that have crowned the past year, and of the evidences of prosperity that everywhere abound. The season of depression has passed, and the era of peace and plenty has come with all its attendant blessings. The times are especially propitious, not only in our midst but throughout our beloved and common country, for extensive development in all that pertains to religious, social, and material improvement, conditions only to be realized through a well-regulated, orderly, and just system of government. The recent political contests, with their results, in this and other States, clearly lead us to expect and hope that the people will insist, with fresh energy and renewed devotion, upon a faithful and honest administration of State affairs in all its departments, and we here point with pride to the complete and full endorsement by the people of Delaware of the safe, economical, just, and honorable management by her public servants, for a period of nearly a quarter of a century, presenting to-day a record of high financial credit and State honor, unsurpassed by any of her sister States in the Union. I fully realize that at no time have the beneficent effects of local self-government become more apparent and appreciated by the citizens of this, in common with those of other States, and when the people generally contemplate the future with brighter anticipations and hopes for the ancient glory and honor of the great Republic and the States composing it.

That political and opposing parties have always existed in this country, and have been deemed necessary under our free and independent form of government—a government depending for its existence on the consent of the governed—is true; but when organizations, formed and seeking the control and government of the people, and to serve only their best interests as a whole, fail to recognize their proper functions and objects, and pass under the dominion of the few, and often the reckless, corrupt, and daring, then the overthrow and defeat of such organizations or parties is the highest duty of the citizen. The great political revolution that has just swept over so many of the large and populous States of the Union, will be a standing menace, I hope, to dangerous men and factions, for all coming time, and a warning that cliques or combinations, unsupported by armed forces, cannot stifle or overcome the honest will of the masses. Certainly the oft repeated expression, “A government by the people, for the people, and of the people,” is now a fixed fact,—and what State, of all in this great country, has, in the long, and, at times, dark and perilous days of the Republic, as well as trying periods in our own history, set a better example of good and pure local self-government and home rule than our own loved Delaware? Surely, continued confidence of her own voters, as expressed, in these many years is the best attestation of the merit and worth of her government.

The last campaign in this State was, it may be truly affirmed, almost exclusively one of examination and trial of our own State administrations, and but little attention paid to the consideration of questions pertaining to Federal affairs. Hence, as your chief executive officer, I shall not feel called upon to discuss the relations of State and Federal government, except in few instances, but, under the powers and duties vested in me by the Constitution of the State, I will indicate my views, by way of suggestion, for your guidance and the continued good government and prosperity of our people.

Before attending to matters of purely State interest, I will refer to questions of national concern in which the people of Delaware have a deep, practical interest, namely Tariff and Civil Service Reforms.

TARIFF REFORM.

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I congratulate all classes of our citizens, and especially that

large majority who are engaged in agricultural occupations and the pursuits closely connected therewith, upon the hopeful promise of a reformation in the present unwise, antiquated, and ill-arranged system of tariff taxation, which has long since ceased to protect even those industries especially selected to receive its benefits, while it has produced those periodical stoppages and stagnations in production, which are so ruinous and distressing to operatives, and increase the cost of living to the laboring classes.

The public demand for relief and reform, in this quarter, has been so unmistakably expressed in the late Congressional elections, that it is to be hoped that measures of moderate and wise reform, so long delayed, will soon be enacted by Congress.

The people in this State are so extensively engaged in the business of ship building, both of iron and wood, and the amount of capital, labor, and skill, which are invested in the construction and navigation of vessels of every class, is so large, that it is highly important that our commerce and exchanges with other nations should be freed from the shackles and restrictions, which have so nearly destroyed, and have certainly seriously diminished our merchant marine and the important industries so closely connected with its welfare.

Our State has a good supply of ship-timber, and in naval architecture, and mechanical skill, our ship-wrights are excelled by none, so that the removal of the excessive burdens of direct and indirect taxation, as well as the useless and annoying fees and charges upon shippers, which prevent the employment of American vessels in the foreign trade, enhances the cost of their materials, forbids the employment of our mechanics, and adds to their cost of living, is greatly to be desired.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM.

The overthrow of the present false and vicious system, by which the official service of the country has been so long filled and controlled, solely in the interest of the dominant political party, and the time and money which should have been devoted to public service have been perverted to partisan purposes, is a consummation devoutly to be wished.

A system of civil service, which will substitute the test of

fitness and capacity for the performance of public duty, in place of heated and unscrupulous advocacy of mere party success, is surely to be preferred by all thoughtful men. One desirable feature of such a reform will be an equitable distribution of the offices of the Federal government, as near as may be, among the citizens of the several States, so that the honor and privilege of being represented in the public service shall be equally open to the citizens of every section and State, and that a competent and faithful clerical service may be measurably secure from the fitful and uncertain ebb and flow of party ascendancy, and official interference with the freedom of elections no longer tolerated.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

Believing that the time has arrived in the history and growth of the State, when changes, by way of amendment, should be made in the organic law, as embodied in our constitution, I recommend that whatever modifications be deemed necessary and proper should be proposed through legislative enactments. From the general public sentiment manifested, it seems to be conceded that important changes should be effected in the matter of representation in the General Assembly and in the judiciary system of the State.

I would advise that there be an increase in both branches of the General Assembly, so that the House shall not consist of more than thirty members, the same to be distributed fairly and equitably between the several counties, and the Senate not to consist of more than fifteen members, each county having an equal number thereof—believing that the Senate should more properly be considered the representative of territory, rather than population, and its organization designed for the better protection of the interests of minorities. The growth and importance of the city of Wilmington, upon which we all look with pride and admiration, as the metropolis of our State, should claim especial attention in the distribution of the proposed increased representation.

Gentlemen, should you approve of my suggestions in reference to the increase of the membership of the General Assembly, then I would recommend a further amendment, limiting the sessions thereof to the period of sixty days, which, in my judgment, would afford ample time for the transaction of all necessary business, and avoid, to a great extent, unnecessary legislation.

and, at the same time, no additional expense will be incurred by reason of increased representation.

In the matter of reform of the judiciary system, I would advise that, in this important subject, you be governed by the suggestions of the legal minds of the State.

These questions, so vital to the whole people, are left to your judgment, and I doubt not will receive the most careful and painstaking consideration at your hands.

SUPERINTENDENTS OF FREE SCHOOLS.

A supplement to the act entitled "An act in relation to Free Schools," was passed at the last session of the Legislature, creating the office of Assistant Superintendent of the Free Schools of the State. Having given considerable attention to the subject, I am satisfied that the object of the law will be more fully and effectually attained by a further subdivision of the labor of the office, and would therefore recommend, in lieu of a State Superintendent and Assistant, that there be three Superintendents, one for each county. The additional expense to the State would be small, if any. I think it is apparent that three would have more time to visit the schools, report on their condition, and perform more thoroughly the office of superintendency, than two persons. Further, by the system of county superintendents, the teachers and people of the respective districts are brought into more intimate relations.

EDUCATION.

In the matter of education, I most cheerfully concur in the suggestions of my predecessor as to the manner of increasing the School Fund, whereby the free school system would be rendered more efficient, and earnestly recommend that such ample appropriations be made as will promote and establish a more liberal and higher standard of education among our citizens generally.

I trust that this Legislature will consider well the present and future condition of a large class of persons, who, by the constitution of the United States, are clothed with the full rights of citizenship. Whatever may be thought of the propriety of these amendments, they have long since become parts of our common constitution, therefore, those who have been thus made citizens

are entitled to the protection and benefits which the law of the land confers upon other citizens. As citizens they will continue to exercise the privileges of freemen, and the great question for all lovers of good government is to resolve upon what best qualifies for the proper discharge of their duties to society and the State. Whether ignorance or intelligence is the basis, admits of no doubt, and in this enlightened age of development and progress, public opinion, founded on the growth of ages, points to a well-adjusted system of Free Schools, as one of the best safeguards of life, liberty, and property, and the many blessings that come from their enjoyment. What the State regards as good and essential for one class of citizens, it should for all. We believe the almost general opinion throughout the State, is in favor of the establishment of separate schools, as the only just and proper system for the education and best interests of both races, and the opposition most emphatic and pronounced against what are termed mixed schools, under any and all circumstances. Owing to the evident inability of the colored people of the State, of their own means, to furnish anything like adequate instruction to their children, the State in the past wisely gave her aid, and I hope and recommend, gentlemen, that liberal and generous assistance will be still further rendered. I trust and believe that you will consider well the object in view.

TEMPERANCE.

With reference to the question of temperance, a subject that is now, and has been long claiming the attention of the people, generally, all over the land, it is certain that wide differences of opinion are honestly entertained, by many good, sincere, and thoughtful citizens, as to the best mode of remedying or checking the evils of intemperance. In my judgment, a well regulated, judicious, and stringent license system, promptly and faithfully executed in every particular, would more effectually restrain the great evils complained of than any other legislation. But, to secure the proper and honest enforcement of such a law, it is clearly the duty of all good citizens to aid and co-operate with those officers who are entrusted with its execution. The restraining and beneficial effects of the present and other license laws, heretofore enacted, have been inefficient by reason of their being allowed to remain as dead letters on the statute books. All laws unexecuted, will, of course, be inoperative, and fail of the object intended.

ELECTIONS.

While the evil and corrupt practices of influencing voters at elections, by the use of money, are deeply to be deplored, I am at a loss to suggest a sufficient remedy. The present law against bribery is defective, and should be amended. I would recommend such legislation as will impose like penalties upon all persons participating in such corrupt practices.

UNIFORM BALLOT LAW.

I would advise and recommend that what is known as the uniform ballot law, passed at the last session of the Legislature, be repealed, believing that it is inadequate for the accomplishment of the purposes of its enactment, and susceptible of being used to the prejudice and detriment of the elector.

IMMIGRATION.

The great interest which I feel in the development and build-up of the agricultural, manufacturing, and mechanical interests of the State, impels me to urgently recommend the passage of a law creating a Board of Immigration, clothed with all necessary power to encourage and afford proper and ample facilities for immigration into our State, whereby our evident need and necessity—labor and capital—shall be supplied. While our State has generally been considered as adapted chiefly to agricultural pursuits, the gratifying progress made in manufactures and arts, in all parts of the State, warrants me in recommending most favorable and liberal legislation for the further encouragement of all industries that will tend to the rapid and permanent improvement and growth of our State.

FINANCES.

I congratulate my fellow-citizens upon the very satisfactory condition of our finances, that have been so faithfully and ably administered by the State Treasurer, as appears by his recent report to my predecessor.

YOUTHFUL CRIMINALS.

I heartily concur in the suggestions of my predecessor, in his last message, in regard to the reformation of youthful criminals, and trust the subject will receive, at your hands, the consideration it deserves.

I cannot allow the present opportunity to pass without expressing the high esteem I entertain of my worthy and retiring predecessor, for the prompt, efficient, and conscientious manner in which he has discharged the public duties devolved upon him.

Under the constitution and laws, it becomes your duty, gentlemen, to guard and protect the interests of the State by legislative action, and mine to take care that the laws be faithfully executed. Appreciating the high obligations resting upon us, let us observe with firmness and fidelity the trusts committed, believing that in the end we shall be rewarded by the approval of our fellow citizens, and of Him, who is "the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

On motion of Mr. Comegys, of the House of Representatives,

The journals of the joint meeting were read and compared.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Cyrus Huntingdon, Chaplain of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Horsey, of the Senate,

The two houses separated, and the members of the Senate returned to their chamber.

On motion the Senate adjourned till 3 o'clock P. M.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock P. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Mustard, the Committee on Printing were authorized to have 500 copies of the Governor's Inaugural printed for the use of the Senate.

Mr. Cavender moved that the Committee on Printing be authorized to have 125 copies of the Report of the Superintendent of Free Schools bound in cloth,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion, the Senate adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 17th, 1883—10 o'clock, A. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present, Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Horsey, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Cooper, from the Committee on Revised Statutes, reported back, with a favorable recommendation, the House bill entitled,

“An act to render valid the acknowledgment of a certain deed,”

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, the bill under consideration was read a third time by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

The question, “Shall this bill pass the Senate?” was decided in the affirmative, and the bill

Passed the Senate.

Ordered that the House be informed thereof, and the bill returned to that body.

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

“An act to incorporate the Pusey & Scott Company.”

On motion of Mr. Cooper,

The bill entitled “An act to re-enact the act to incorporate the Trustees of the Home for Friendless and Destitute Children, in the city of Wilmington,”

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

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled, "An act to amend the act entitled an act to incorporate the Delaware Beet Sugar Company,"

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

On motion of Mr. Cooper,

The bill entitled, "An act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 109 of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'Of Juries,'"

Was read a second time, by its title, and, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

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

"An act to create a new School District from Districts Nos. 62, 63, 64, and 86, in Georgetown hundred, Sussex county.

Mr. Waples, the Clerk of the House, being admitted, delivered to the Senate the Report of the State Librarian, with a request that the Senate appoint a committee of two to act with the special committee of the House.

Committee on the part of the House, Messrs. Perry, Lewis, and Comegys.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the report was read.

Mr. Roe moved that the House joint resolution accompanying the report be read.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The House joint resolution was *Concurred in.*

Ordered, that the House be informed thereof.

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed

the Senate that the House would be prepared to receive the Senate in joint meeting in five minutes, in the hall of the House of Representatives, for the purpose of comparing the journals of the two houses, in obedience to the act of Congress, entitled,

“An act to regulate the times and manner of holding elections for Senators in Congress,” passed July 25th, A. D. 1866.

Mr. Roe offered a resolution, which, there being no objection, was read, as follows:

Resolved, That the Senate do now proceed to the hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of comparing the journals of the two houses, in obedience to the act of Congress, entitled, “An act to regulate the times and manner of holding elections for Senators in Congress,” passed July 25th, 1866.

JOINT MEETING TO ELECT UNITED STATES SENATOR.

At the time fixed for the joint meeting, the Senate, preceded by their Speaker, and attended by their Clerk and Sergeant-at-Arms, proceeded to the hall of the House of Representatives and took the seats prepared for them.

The two houses being thus convened in joint meeting, Mr. Horsey, of the Senate, moved

That the journals of the two houses, so far as they related to the election of United States Senator, be read and compared,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Whereupon the Clerks of the respective houses proceeded to read the journals.

It appeared that Eli Saulsbury had received a majority of votes cast in each House.

The Speaker of the Senate declared that Eli Saulsbury was duly elected as Senator, to serve in the Congress of United States, for the constitutional term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March next.

Thereupon,

A certificate was made out and signed by the Speakers of the two Houses, and attested by their respective Clerks, and addressed to the Governor of the State,

Which, on motion of Mr. Mustard, of the Senate, was read, as follows, to wit :

STATE OF DELAWARE, SS.

BE IT KNOWN, That the Legislature of the State of Delaware, did, on the 16th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, at an election in due manner held, according to the form of the act of Congress, in such case made and provided, elect Eli Saulsbury to be a Senator from said State, in the Senate of the United States, for the constitutional term to commence on the fourth day of March next.

Given under our hands the 17th day of January, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

SAMUEL B. COOPER,

Speaker of the Senate

THOMAS H. DENNEY,

Speaker pro tem. of the House of Representatives.

Attest :

CHARLES W. WHILEY, JR.,

Clerk of the Senate.

E. W. WAPLES,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Cooper moved

That the journals of the two Houses be read and compared,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the certificate was entered on the journal of each House.

On motion, the two houses separated, and the Senators returned to their chamber.

On motion, the Senate adjourned till 3 o'clock P. M.

SAME DAY — 3 o'clock, P. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporations, reported back, with an amendment, the bill entitled

“An act to incorporate Wesleyan College.”

On his motion, the bill was taken up for consideration, and on his further motion, the amendment was read, and on his motion was

Adopted.

Mr. Cooper moved to amend Section 6 of the bill by striking out all of said section after the word “act,” in the second line thereof,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the bill, as amended, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, “Shall this bill pass the Senate?” the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker — 8.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,
Passed the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the vote by which a supposed House joint resolution for the appointment of a joint committee on the report of the State Librarian,

Was

Reconsidered.

Mr. Cooper moved that a committee of two be appointed to act in conjunction with House committee on report of librarian.

Which motion

Prevailed.

The Speaker appointed as such committee, Messrs. Cooper and Roe, and ordered that the House be informed thereof.

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporations, reported back, with favorable recommendation, the bill entitled.

“An act to incorporate the National Dredging Company,”

And, on his motion, the same was taken up for consideration, and further, on his motion, the bill under consideration was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, “Shall this bill pass the Senate?” the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—8.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill having received the required constitutional majority,
Passed the Senate.

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

“An act to punish the procurement of abortion.”

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

“An act to incorporate the Philadelphia and Smyrna Transportation Company.”

On motion, the Senate adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 18, 1883 — 10 o'clock, A. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present: Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Cooper, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and, on motion of Mr. Chandler, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to punish the procurement of abortion.”

Which, on his further motion, was read.

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporations, reported with favorable recommendations, the following bills, viz.:

“An act to incorporate the Brandywine Catholic Literary Association of Brandywine, Delaware.”

“An act to re-enact the act to incorporate the Trustees of the Home for Friendless and Destitute Children in the city of Wilmington.”

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate the Delaware Beet Sugar Company.’”

“An act to incorporate the Diamond State Organ Company.”

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled “An act to incorporate The Brandywine Catholic Literary Association, of Brandywine, Delaware.”

Was taken up for consideration, and further on his motion,

the bill under consideration was read a third time by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—8.

Nays—None.

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

Passed the Senate.

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled, "An act to re-enact the act to incorporate the Trustees of the Home for Friendless and Destitute Children, in the city of Wilmington,"

Was taken up for consideration, and further, on his motion, the bill under consideration was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—8.

Nays—None.

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

Passed the Senate.

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Delaware Beet Sugar Company,'" 6

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, the bill under consideration was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—8.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill having received the required constitutional majority,
Passed the Senate.

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Diamond State Organ Company of the city of Wilmington."

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, the bill under consideration was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate,

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—8

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill having received the required constitutional majority,
Passed the Senate.

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Cooper gave notice that on to-morrow or some future day he would ask leave to introduce a bill entitled, "An act in relation to insane prisoners."

Mr. Cooper from the Committee on Revised Statutes, reported with a favorable recommendation the bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 127 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, Offenses against the Lives and Persons of Individuals,"

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, the bill under consideration was read a third time by paragraphs in order to pass the Senate.

The question "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" was decided in the affirmative, and the bill *Passed the Senate.*

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Cooper from the Committee on Revised Statutes, reported with a favorable recommendation, the bill entitled,

"An act in reference to the competency of jurors in capital cases,"

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, the bill under consideration was read a third time by paragraphs in order to pass the Senate.

The question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" was decided in the affirmative, and the bill *Passed the Senate.*

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Cavender, from the Committee on Vacant Lands, to whom was referred that part of the Governor's Message relating to immigration, reported a bill entitled,

"An act for the encouragement of immigration, and to foster the agricultural interests of the State."

Which, on his motion, was read, and on motion of Mr. Roe,

The Committee on Printing were directed to have 300 copies of the bill printed for use of the Senate.

Mr. Betts, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on

motion of Mr. Mustard, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Pusey and Scott Company,”

Which, on motion of Mr. Betts, was read.

On motion, the Senate adjourned till 3 o'clock P. M.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

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

“An act to further secure the freedom of elections.”

Mr. Cooper, from the Committee on the Revised Statutes, reported back, with favorable recommendation, the bill entitled,

“An act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 109 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, ‘Of juries.’”

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the bill was taken up for consideration, and on his further motion, was read a third time by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

The question, “Shall this bill pass the Senate?” was decided in the affirmative, and the bill

Passed the Senate.

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Cavender, from the Committee on Enrolled bills, reported

as being duly and correctly enrolled, and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following Senate joint resolutions, to wit:

“A joint resolution of adjournment.”

“A joint resolution for a committee to settle with C. S. Pennewill.”

“A joint resolution convening the two houses in joint session for the purpose of attending the Governor elect, while the oaths of office are administered to him.”

On motion of Mr. Roe, that portion of the Governor's inaugural address relating to elections, was referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Cooper moved that all that portion of the Governor's inaugural address relating to increase of representation, be referred to a special committee of three.

Which motion

Prevailed.

And the Speaker appointed as such committee, Messrs. Cooper, Roe, and Houston.

Mr. Mustard, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on motion of Mr. Roe, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to create a new School District, from Districts No. 62, 63, 64, and 86, in Georgetown hundred, Sussex county,”

Which, on his motion was read.

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

“An act to incorporate the Robbins Hose Company, No. 1, of Dover, Delaware.”

Mr. Houston presented a petition of Annie Gibbs, praying an act of divorce from her husband, Thomas Gibbs.

Which, on his motion was read,

And, on motion of Mr. Mustard, was referred to the Committee on Divorce, with instructions to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Roe offered a resolution, which, on his motion, was read, as follows:

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns to-day it be to meet to-morrow (Friday), at 9 o'clock A. M.

And on his further motion, was

Adopted.

Mr. Comegys, a member of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted a joint resolution to inquire into the expediency of constructing private accommodations for the use of the members and officers on the two main floors of this building, and presented the same to the Senate for concurrence.

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

"An act to amend Section 9 of Chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'General provisions respecting Public Officers,'"

Also that the House has passed the following bills, viz.:

"An act to enable William McKay to convey certain real estate."

"An act to incorporate The J. A. Cranston Company, of Newport, Del."

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the House bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate The J. A. Cranston Company,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Roe, the House bill entitled,

"An act to enable William McKay to convey certain real estate,"

Was read.

On motion, the Senate adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 19, 1883—9 o'clock A. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called. Members present, Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Roe, the House bill entitled,

“An act to enable William McKay to convey certain real estate,”

Was read a second time, by its title, and, on motion of Mr. Cooper, was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Cooper, from the Committee on Revised Statutes, reported back with a favorable recommendation, the bill entitled,

“An act to vest the title of a certain lot of ground with the buildings thereon erected, in the city of New Castle, in trustees, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

And, on his motion, the bill was taken up for consideration,

Mr. Mustard moved that the bill be laid on the table.

On the question, “Shall this bill be laid on the table?” Mr. Mustard called for the yeas and nays, which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Betts and Mustard—2.

Nays—Messrs. Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—6.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the bill under consideration was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" Mr. Mustard called for the yeas and nays, which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—6.

Nays—Messrs Betts and Mustard—2.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill
Passed the Senate.

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cavender the bill entitled, "An act for the encouragement of immigration, and to foster the agricultural interests of the State,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Betts the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Pusey and Scott Company,"

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

Mr. Cooper, from the Committee on Revised Statutes, reported back with favorable recommendation, the House bill entitled,

"An act to enable William McKay to convey certain real estate,"

On motion of Mr. Roe, Rule 14 was suspended as to this bill, and on his further motion the bill was taken up for consideration, and on his motion was read a third time by paragraphs in order to pass the Senate.

The question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" was decided in the affirmative, and the bill
Passed the Senate.

Mr. Cavender, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and, on motion of Mr. Betts, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Peninsula Bone Fertilizer Company,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Cavender,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the bill entitled,

"An act to punish the procurement of abortions,"

Was read a second time by its title, and on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Cooper, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and, on motion of Mr. Chandler, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act in relation to insane prisoners,"

Which, on his further motion, was read.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the House bill entitled

"An act to incorporate the J. A. Cranston Company,"

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

Mr. Houston, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and, on motion of Mr. Chandler, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Robbins Hose Company, No. 1, of Dover, Delaware,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Houston, was read.

On motion of Mr. Mustard, the bill entitled,

"An act to create a new school district from districts Nos. 62, 63, 64, and 86, in Georgetown Hundred, Sussex County,"

Was read a second time, by its title; and, on his further motion, was referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Chandler

The House joint resolution appointing a joint committee to inquire into the expediency of constructing private accommodations for use of the members and officers on the two main floors of this building,

Was read, and on his further motion, was *Concurred in.*

The Speaker appointed as committee on part of the Senate, Messrs. Houston and Betts.

Mr. Betts moved that when the Senate adjourned, it should adjourn to meet at 4 o'clock P. M., on Monday next.

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion, the Senate adjourned.

MONDAY, January 22d, 1883—4 o'clock P. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present; Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

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

"An act to incorporate the River Front Land Improvement Company."

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

"An act to incorporate the Delmarvia Fertilizer Company of Clayton, Delaware."

Mr. Betts presented the petition of the Trustees of the Wesleyan Female College, for an act repealing the act of incorporation,

Which, on his motion, was read, and, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Corporations, with power to report by bill or otherwise.

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

"An act to incorporate St. Mary's Total Abstinence Beneficial Pioneer Corps of Wilmington, Delaware."

"An act to amend an act entitled, An act to incorporate the

Jackson Lime and Marble Company, passed at Dover, March 31, 1881.

"An act to amend Chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, For the Protection of Fish, Oysters, and Game.

On motion of Mr. Cavender, the bill entitled

"An act to incorporate the Peninsula Bone Fertilizer Company,"

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

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the bill entitled

"An act in relation to insane prisoners."

Was read a second time by its title, and, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporations, reported back, with favorable recommendation, the Senate bill entitled, "An act to incorporate The Pusey and Scott Company,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Betts, was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—8.

Nays—None.

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

Passed the Senate.

Mr. Roe presented a petition of John C. Creadick praying "An act to divorce him from his wife,"

Which, on his motion, was read, and, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Divorce, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Cooper, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back, with favorable recommendation, the bill entitled, "An act to punish the procurement of abortions,"

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, the bill was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate."

The question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" was decided in the affirmative, so the bill *Passed the Senate.*

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had passed, and asked the concurrence of the Senate, in the following bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate 'The Rehoboth Beach Hotel Company,'"

And presented the same to the Senate.

He also informed the Senate the House had concurred in the following Senate bills, to wit:

"An act to incorporate the Springer, Morley & Gause Company."

"An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 397, Volume 11, Laws of Delaware, entitled, 'An act in relation to insane persons.'"

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Lumber Company,"

And returned the same to the Senate.

Also,

That the House had adopted a joint resolution,

Requesting the opinions of the Chancellor and Judges on

certain questions, and presented the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cooper,

The House joint Resolution requesting the opinions of the Chancellor and Judges, on certain questions,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the joint resolution was
Concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the House bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate 'The Rehoboth Beach Hotel Company,'"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Houston, the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate 'The Robbins Hose Company, No. 1, of Dover, Delaware,'"

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

On motion the Senate adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 23, 1883—10 o'clock A. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called. Members present, Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Cavender, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on motion of Mr. Betts, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Delmarvia Fertilizer Company of Clayton, Delaware,”

Which, on his motion, was read.

Mr. Betts, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and, on motion of Mr. Cavender, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate ‘The River Front Land Improvement Company,’”

Which, on his motion, was read.

Wm. F. Causey, Esq., Secretary of State, being admitted, presented to the Senate the certificate of approval of the official obligations of State Treasurer, and the Auditor of Accounts.

Ordered to be transmitted to the House.

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporations, reported back, with favorable recommendation, the bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Robbins Hose Company, No. 1, of Dover, Delaware,”

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and, on

his further motion, the bill under consideration, was read a third time, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—8.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill having received the required constitutional majority,
Passed the Senate.

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporations, reported back, with favorable recommendation, the House bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the J. A. Cranston Company,"

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—8.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill having received the required constitutional majority,
Passed the Senate.

Ordered that it be returned to the House, and the House informed thereof.

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporations, reported with favorable recommendation, the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Peninsula Bone Fertilizer Company,"

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—8.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill having received the required constitutional majority,
Passed the Senate.

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Cooper, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on motion of Mr. Chandler, obtained leave to introduce the following bills:

"An act to incorporate St. Mary's Total Abstinence Beneficial Corps, of Wilmington, Delaware."

"An act to amend an act, entitled 'An act to incorporate the Jackson Lime and Marble Company.'"

"An act to amend Chapter 55, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'For the protection of fish, oysters, and game,'"

"An act to further secure the freedom of elections."

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate St. Mary's Total Abstinence Beneficial Pioneer Corps, of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Was read.

On his motion, the bill entitled,

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Jackson Lime and Marble Company,'"

And, on his motion, the bill entitled,

“An act to amend Chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, ‘For the protection of fish, oysters, and game,”

Was read,

And, also, on his motion,

The bill entitled; “An act to further secure the freedom of elections,”

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the House bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Rehoboth Beach Hotel Company.”

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

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

“An act to amend Chapter 449, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled, ‘An act to regulate pilots and pilotage of and in the Bay and River Delaware.’”

On motion, the Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock P. M.

SAME DAY — 3 o'clock P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The list of reprieves, pardons, and remissions,

Was read, as follows :

REPRIEVES AND PARDONS.

A LIST OF REPRIEVES, PARDONS, AND REMISSIONS, GRANTED
BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, SINCE
THE FOURTH DAY OF JANUARY, A. D. 1881.

Wm. Neal. Crime, rape. Convicted in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, in and for New Castle county, May term, 1880 ; sentence, death ; execution, Friday, August 27th, 1880, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M., which was suspended until Friday, February 11th, 1881, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M.

1881, February 5th, said sentence further postponed until Friday, the 10th day of June, A. D., 1881, between the same hours.

The reason for so doing was, that the hearing before the Supreme Court of the United States, on a writ of citation, issued thereout, was still pending.

Whit Gunkle. Crime, larceny. Convicted at the February term of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Jail Delivery in and for New Castle County, A. D. 1881. Sentence, fine, whipping, and imprisonment.

1881, February 24th, the Governor remitted the said fine.

The reasons for so doing were youth, feeble-mindedness, and

the recommendation of the Attorney-General and jury in behalf of Executive clemency.

John T. Simmons. Crime, assault, with intent to murder. Convicted at the February term of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Jail Delivery in and for New Castle County, A. D. 1880. Sentence, fine, pillory, and imprisonment for the term of two years.

1881, June 22d, the Governor remitted the fine and imprisonment.

The reasons for granting said remission, were a representation by Dr. Black, jail physician, that the prisoner was laboring under a chronic disease of such a nature that further confinement would endanger his life, and the recommendation of the Judges of the Court, ten of the jurors, and of James Dailey, upon whom the assault was committed, in favor of the same.

Jeremiah Harrigan. Crime, murder. Convicted at the November term of the Court of Oyer and Terminer, in and for New Castle County, A. D. 1882. Sentence, death; execution Friday, 24th day of March, 1882, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M., and 3 o'clock P. M.

1882, March 22d, the Governor suspended the execution of said sentence until Friday, the 15th day of December, 1882, between the same hours.

The reasons for granting this respite, were that certain facts and circumstances were alleged to exist, by petition of a large number of people, which circumstances, if proved, would justify the exercise of Executive clemency.

Tabitha Timmons. Misdemeanor—selling intoxicating liquors without a license. Convicted at the April term of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Jail Delivery in and for Sussex County, 1882. Sentence, fine and imprisonment.

1882, May 12th, the Governor remitted the said fine.

The reason for remitting said fine was, that a large number of the best citizens of Sussex County, especially from the immediate neighborhood of the said Tabitha Timmons, represented

that she was about sixty years of age, very poor, and upon whose personal exertions the support of a blind and weak-minded sister depended.

Arthur J. Emerson. Crime, assault and battery. Convicted at the May term of Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Jail Delivery in and for New Castle County, 1882. Sentence, fine and imprisonment.

1882, July 1st, the Governor remitted the unexpired portion of the term of his imprisonment.

The reasons for granting said remission of said imprisonment were that the said Emerson at the trial was proven to be only an accomplice, that it was represented that he was suffering physically from his confinement, that his father and sisters were dependent to a certain extent upon his earnings for a support, and that the jurors, Attorney-General, Sheriff, and many other good and substantial citizens of Sussex County recommended the same.

James Campbell. Crime, larceny. Convicted at the November term of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Jail Delivery, in and for New Castle County, 1882. Sentence, fine, imprisonment, and whipping.

1882, November 25th, the Governor remitted so much of said sentence as related to whipping.

The reasons for granting said remission, were, that the said Campbell was about sixty-five years of age, that it was represented that he had always borne a good character in the community in which he had lived, that he was under the influence of intoxicating liquors when the act was committed, and that the said remission was recommended by the judges sitting, by the Attorney-General, his deputy, and the members of the Grand Jury who were accessible.

Jeremiah Harrigan. Crime, murder. Sentence, death. Execution on Friday, the 24th day of March, A. D. 1882, which was postponed until Friday, December, 15th, 1882, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M., and 3 o'clock P. M.

1882, December 13th, the Governor further postponed the

the execution of said sentence until Friday, the 14th day of December, 1883, between the same hours.

The reasons for granting this further respite were, that facts discovered after the trial and conviction of said Harrigan showed that Dennis Shea had been on terms of criminal intimacy with the said Harrigan's wife, and which had been brought to the attention of said Harrigan, and that the said Shea was actually engaged in a conspiracy to take the said Harrigan's life; all of which facts were supported by the affidavits of respectable citizens of New Castle County.

Ordered to be transmitted to the House.

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

"An act in relation to contested elections."

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

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to establish a State Board of Health for the State of Delaware.'"

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

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to provide a uniform ballot for election purposes.'"

Mr. Comegys, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, a duly and correctly enrolled House joint resolution, signed by the Speaker of the House, requesting the opinions of the Chancellor and Judges on certain questions.

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

"An act to authorize the United School Districts Nos. 39 and 41, in New Castle county, to borrow money for the purpose of building a new school house therein, and also to sell the school property belonging to said Districts,"

And asked the concurrence of the Senate therein.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the House bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the United School Districts, Nos. 39 and 41, in New Castle county, to borrow money for the purpose of building a new school house thereon, and also to sell the school property belonging to said Districts,"

Was read.

Mr. Cooper, from the Committee on Revised Statutes, reported back, with favorable recommendation, the Senate bill entitled,

"An act in relation to insane prisoners,"

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration.

Pending the consideration of the bill, Mr. Mustard moved that the bill be laid on the table.

On the question, "Shall the bill be laid on the table?" the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Houston, Mustard, and Mr. Speaker—5.

Nays—Messrs. Chandler and Cooper—2.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill was *Laid on the table.*

Mr. Cavender, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported as duly and correctly enrolled, signed by the Speaker of the House, and ready to receive the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, the House joint resolution requesting the opinions of the Chancellor and judges on certain questions.

On motion, the Senate adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 24th, 1883—10 o'clock A. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the chaplain.

Roll called. Members present, Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Watson, a member of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had elected Mr. John F. Saulsbury clerk *pro tem.* of the House, in the absence of Mr. Waples.

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

“An act to incorporate the ‘Johnson Forge Company.’”

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporations, reported back, with favorable recommendation, the House bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Rehoboth Beach Hotel Company,”

And, on his motion, the bill was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Mustard offered an amendment, which, on motion of Mr. Betts, was read, as follows:

Amend the bill by adding at the end of Section 7, the following:

And it shall and may be lawful for the owner or owners of any lot or lots within the limits of the Rehoboth Beach Association as now defined, to erect and build upon his or her or their lot or lots, barn, stabling, and other outbuildings, which may be deemed necessary by the said owner or owners of said lot or lots,

and that the provisions now existing in all charters or acts of incorporation, or any amendments thereto, heretofore passed, prohibiting the erection of barns, stabling, and other outbuildings, by the owner or owners of a lot or lots within the limits of the Rehoboth Beach Association, be and the same are hereby repealed.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Mustard withdrew the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the bill was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, and Mr. Speaker—7.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill having received the required constitutional majority,
Passed the Senate.

Ordered that the House be informed thereof, and the bill returned to that body.

Mr. Cavender, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and, on motion of Mr. Betts, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to provide a uniform ballot for election purposes.'"

On motion of Mr. Cavender, the bill was read.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate 'The River Front Land Improvement Company,'"

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

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the bill entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Jackson Lime and Marble Company,' passed at Dover, March 31, 1881,"

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

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the bill entitled,

“An act to further secure the freedom of elections,”

Was read a second time, by its title, and, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate St. Mary’s Total Abstinence Beneficial Pioneer Corps, of Wilmington, Delaware,”

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

Mr. John F. Saulsbury, Clerk *pro tem.* of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had passed and requested the concurrence of the Senate in the following bills, to wit:

“An act to incorporate the Journeymen Bricklayers’ Protective and Beneficial Association, of Wilmington, Delaware,”

“An act to incorporate the Delaware Baptist Union,”

“An act to incorporate the Madison Street Club Stables,”

And presented the same to the Senate.

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

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Delaware Beet Sugar Company, passed at Dover March 25th, 1879,”

And returned the same to the Senate.

He also presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House joint resolutions and bill, the

same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"An act to render valid the acknowledgment of a certain deed,"

"Joint resolution adjourning both houses until Monday next, at 3 o'clock P. M.,"

"Joint resolution appointing a joint Committee on Rules for government of intercourse between the two houses,"

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

"Joint resolution appointing State Treasurer,"

"Joint resolution appointing a joint committee to purchase a new flag for the State House,"

"Joint resolution appointing Auditor of Accounts,"

"Joint resolution for private accommodations,"

"Joint resolution authorizing the State Librarian to have the State House supplied with water from the Dover Water Works."

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'For the protection of fish, oysters, and game,'"

Was read a second time, by its title, and, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the House bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the United School Districts Nos. 39 and 41, in New Castle county, to borrow money for the purpose of building a new school house therein, and also to sell the school property belonging to said Districts,"

Was read a second time, by its title, and, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the House bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Madison Street Club Stables,"

Was read.

Also, on his motion, the House bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Baptist Union,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Cavender, the Senate bill entitled,

"An act for the encouragement of immigration and to foster the agricultural interests of the State,"

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was recommitted to the Committee on Vacant Lands.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the House bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Journeymen Bricklayers' Protective and Beneficial Association of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Cavender, the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the 'Delmarvia Fertilizer Company of Clayton, Delaware,'"

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

Mr. Houston presented the remonstrance of John Macklin, and sixteen others, residents and taxables of School District No. 64, Georgetown hundred, Sussex county, against the passage of an act creating an additional school district out of Districts Nos. 62, 63, 64, and 86, in Georgetown hundred, Sussex county,

Which, on his motion, was read, and on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion, the Senate adjourned till 3 o'clock P. M.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock P. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cavender, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported the following House bill and joint resolutions as duly and correctly enrolled, signed by the Speaker of the House, and ready to receive the signature of the Speaker of the Senate.

“An act to render valid the acknowledgment of a certain deed,”

A joint resolution adjourning both houses until Monday next, at 3 o'clock,

A joint resolution appointing a joint committee on rules for the government of intercourse between the two houses.

Joint resolution appointing a joint committee to make suitable arrangements for the inauguration of the Governor,

Joint resolution appointing State Treasurer,

Joint resolution appointing an Auditor of Accounts,

Joint resolution appointing a joint committee to purchase a new flag for the State House,

Joint resolution for private accommodations.

Joint resolution authorizing the State Librarian to have the State House supplied with water from the Dover Water Works.

Mr. Betts offered a joint resolution in relation to adjournment,

Which, on his motion, was read, and at his request, was laid over. under the rule.

Mr. Houston presented the petition of Tilghman Johnston, and 64 others, for an act to unite School Districts 23 and 161, in Sussex county,

Which, there being no objection, was read, and, on motion of Mr. Houston, was referred to Committee on Education, with power to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Saulsbury, Clerk *pro tem.* of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had concurred in the following bill, viz.:

“An act to amend Section 16 of Chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, ‘General provisions concerning crimes and punishments,’”

And presented the same to the Senate.

He also returned, with the information that it had been non-concurred in,

“An act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 127 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, ‘Offences against the lives and persons of individuals.’”

Mr. Chandler, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on motion of Mr. Betts, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to amend an act entitled, ‘An act to establish a State Board of Health for the State of Delaware,’”

Which, on his motion, was read.

Mr. Saulsbury, Clerk *pro tem.* of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had passed and asked the concurrence of the Senate in the following bills, viz.:

“An act to lay out a new public road in Mispillion hundred, in Kent county,”

And,

“An act to incorporate the ‘Dover Market House Company,’”

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the House bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the ‘Dover Market House Company,’ ”

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Roe, the House bill entitled,

“An act to lay out a new public road in Mispillion hundred, in Kent county,”

Was read.

On motion, the Senate adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 25th, 1883—10 o'clock A. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present, Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporations, reported with favorable recommendation, the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to amend an act entitled, ‘An act to incorporate the Jackson Lime and Marble Company,’ passed at Dover, March 31st, 1881,”

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, “Shall this bill pass the Senate?” the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—8.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,
Passed the Senate.

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporations, reported with favorable recommendation, the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate St. Mary's Total Abstinence Beneficial Pioneer Corps, of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—8.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,
Passed the Senate.

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporations, reported with favorable recommendation the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate The River Front Land Improvement Company,"

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—8.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,
Passed the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Cavender, the bill entitled,

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to provide a uniform ballot for election purposes,'" 8

Was read a second time by its title, and, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporations, reported with favorable recommendation the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Delmarvia Fertilizer Company, of Clayton, Delaware,"

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate," the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, Roe, and Mr. Speaker—8.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,
Passed the Senate.

Mr. Betts in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and, on motion of Mr. Chandler, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Johnson Forge Company,"

Which, on his motion, was read.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the bill entitled,

"An act to amend an act entitled, An act to establish a State Board of Health for the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time, by its title, and, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the House bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Journeymen Bricklayers' Protective and Beneficial Association, of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

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

“An act to provide for the inspection of steam boilers in the State.”

On motion of Mr. Roe, the House bill entitled,

“An act to lay out a new public road in Mispillion hundred, in Kent County,”

Was read a second time, by its title, and on his further motion, was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Betts, the House bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Delaware Baptist Union,”

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

On motion of Mr. Betts, the House bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the ‘Madison Street Club Stables,’”

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

On motion of Mr. Roe, the House bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the ‘Dover Market House Company,’”

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

Mr. Waples, Clerk of the House, being admitted, returned with the signature of the Speaker of the House thereto sundry duly and correctly enrolled Senate joint resolutions, viz.:

Joint resolution of adjournment,

Joint resolution convening the two Houses in joint session, for the purpose of attending the Governor-elect while the oaths of office are administered to him,

Joint resolution for appointment of a joint committee of the two houses to examine State Treasurer's account.

Joint resolution for a committee to settle with C. S. Pennewill,

Joint resolution relating to the printing of certain reports and documents.

Joint resolution appointing a joint committee to inform the Governor of the organization of the two houses of the General Assembly.

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

"An act to re-enact the act of incorporation of The Kent County Mutual Insurance Company."

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

"An act in reference to the competency of jurors in capital cases."

Also that the House had concurred in the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 109 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'Of juries,'"

With an amendment, and asked the concurrence of the Senate in the same.

And presented the same to the Senate.

Mr. Cavender, from Committee on Vacant Lands, reported back, with sundry amendments, the Senate bill entitled,

"An act for the encouragement of immigration, and to foster the agricultural interests of the State."

On motion of Mr. Cavender, the bill, with the amendments, was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Cavender, the first amendment was read.

Mr. Cavender moved that the amendment be adopted.

Mr. Cooper offered an amendment to the amendment, which, on his motion, was read, and on his further motion, was

Adopted.

Whereupon the amendment as amended, was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Cavender, the second amendment was read, and, on his further motion, was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Cavender, the third amendment was read, and, on his further motion, was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Cavender, the fourth amendment was read, and, on his further motion, was

Adopted.

Mr. Cavender moved that the bill under consideration be laid on the table,

Which motion

Prevailed,

And the bill was

Laid on the table.

On motion, the Senate adjourned till 3 o'clock P. M.

SAME DAY — 3 o'clock P. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the House amendment to the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 109 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'Of juries.'"

Was read, and, on his further motion, was taken up for consideration, and, on his motion, was *Concurred in.*

On motion of Mr. Cavender, the House bill entitled,

"An act to re-enact the act to incorporate 'The Kent County Mutual Insurance Company,'"

Was read.

Mr. Cavender, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and on motion of Mr. Betts, obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate The Philadelphia and Smyrna Transportation Company,"

Which, on his motion, was read.

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

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to consolidate the Public Schools of Smyrna.'"

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

"An act to amend Section 13 of Chapter 390, Volume 13, Laws of Delaware, concerning collateral inheritances."

Mr. Cavender, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as duly and correctly enrolled, and ready for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, the following Senate bills, viz.:

"An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 397, Volume 2, Laws of Delaware, entitled, 'An act in relation to insane Persons.'"

"An act to amend Section 9 of Chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'General provisions respecting public officers,'"

"An act to amend Section 16 of Chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'General provisions concerning crimes and punishments.'"

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Delaware Beet Sugar Company,' passed at Dover, March 25th, 1879."

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

"An act for the preservation of peace and good order."

On motion of Mr. Betts, the Senate joint resolution in relation to adjournment,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read, as follows:

Be it Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met, First, that no new business shall be received after 12 o'clock, noon, on the 28th of February, next.

Second, That both houses of the Legislature will adjourn on Saturday, the 17th day of March, next, *sine die*.

And, further on his motion, was

Adopted.

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Betts, one hundred copies of Senate bill entitled,

“An act to further secure the freedom of elections,”

Were ordered to be printed.

On motion, the Senate adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 26th, 1883—10 o'clock A. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present, Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, and Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Cavender, the bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate ‘The Philadelphia and Smyrna Transportation Company,’”

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

On motion of Mr. Cavender, the House bill entitled,

“An act to re-enact the act of incorporation of the ‘Kent County Mutual Insurance Company,’”

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

On motion of Mr. Betts, the bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Johnson Forge Company,”

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

Mr. Cooper presented a petition of Henry C. Conrad and thirty-four others, and a petition of Christian Febiger and eight others, to amend the laws with reference to weights and measures,

Which, there being no objection, were read, and, on motion

of Mr. Cooper, were referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes, with power to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporations, reported back, with favorable recommendation, the House bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Delaware Baptist Union,”

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, “Shall this bill pass the Senate?” the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cavender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, and Mr. Speaker—7.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,
Passed the Senate.

Ordered to be returned to the House, and the House informed thereof.

Mr. Waples, the clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had passed the following bills, and presented the same to the Senate for concurrence, viz :

“An act to incorporate the Capitol Building and Loan Association,”

“An act to incorporate the Dover Glass Works.”

Also, that the House had adopted the following House joint resolutions, viz :

Joint resolution appropriating eight hundred dollars to the contingent expenses of the office of the Secretary of State,

Joint resolution appointing janitor,

And asked the concurrence of the Senate in the same.

Also, that they had concurred in the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Robbins Hose Company,”

And returned the same to the Senate.

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporations, reported back, with favorable recommendation, the House bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the ‘The Dover Market House Company,’”

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, “Shall this bill pass the Senate?” the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Cayender, Chandler, Cooper, Houston, Mustard, and Mr. Speaker—7.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,
Passed the Senate.

Ordered to be returned to the House, and the House informed thereof.

Mr. Chandler, from the Committee on Corporation, reported back, with favorable recommendation, the House bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the ‘Journeyman Bricklayers’ Protective and Beneficial Association, of Wilmington, Delaware,’”

Which, on his motion, was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate.

On the question, “Shall this bill pass the Senate?” the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, were as follows :