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So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was

Lost.

Mr. Burns called for the original question on the foregoing House Bill, No. 194, entitled

“An act providing for the submission of the question of the license or no license for the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to the qualified voters of the district comprising Kent County, as required by Article 13 of the Constitution.”

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Davis, Dennison, Donahoe, Faries, Frazier, Hazzard, Hering, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Lattomus, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Short, Taylor, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—25.

Nays—Messrs. Donovan, Hunter, McNulty, Shallcross—4.

Mr. Donahoe and Mr. Rose before the vote was announced, asked and obtained leave to change their vote from nay to yea.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence,

On motion the House adjourned until 2.30 o'clock, P. M.

Same Day—2.30 o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Lattomus, on behalf of the Committee on Claims, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 17, entitled

“An act authorizing the payment to Samuel K. Smith, of eighteen hundred dollars (\$1,800), in trust to enforce the laws of this State in relation to the prevention of cruelty to children in the State of Delaware,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Shallcross, on behalf of the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 231, entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 507, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, by changing the time in which reed birds, ortolans and rails may be hunted, taken or killed,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Burns, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 29, entitled

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled 'An act to establish a bank and incorporate a company under the name of Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware,' authorizing the closing the branch of said bank at New Castle and the reduction of the capital stock of said corporation by one hundred and seventy thousand dollars,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably, with substitute and report of committee.

Mr. Burns, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 189, entitled

"An act to abolish the Board of Light and Water Commissioners of the town of Milford, and to invest the town council of Milford with all the powers now vested by law in the said Board of Light and Water Commissioners, of the town of Milford,"

Reported the same back to the House without recommendation.

Mr. Rose, on behalf of the Committee on Appropriations, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 243, entitled

"Substitute for House Resolution, No. 17, entitled 'An act authorizing the payment of eighteen hundred dollars to Samuel K. Smith, in trust to enforce the Laws of this State in relation to the prevention of cruelty to children of this State,' "

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Burns, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 44, entitled

"An act prohibiting the use of new lands in the city of Wilmington for the burial of dead bodies,"

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 180, entitled

"An act for the regulation of telephone tolls within the State of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 236, entitled

"An act appointing agents to collect claims of the State of Delaware against the United States arising out of the late war with Spain,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 167, entitled

"An act prescribing the fee for licenses issued by the insurance commissioner of this State to general agents, sub-agents or soliciting agents, for State, domestic and foreign fire insurance companies,"

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 190, entitled

"An act relating to real estate agents' license,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

Senate Bill No. 56, entitled

"An act to amend Section 7 of Chapter 128, of the Revised Code of this State, as the same was amended and published in A. D., 1893, by providing that the punishment for the crimes mentioned in said section shall be whipping and imprisonment,"

On motion of Mr. Donahoe, House Bill No. 243, being a substitute for House Resolution No. 17, entitled

"An act authorizing the payment to Samuel K. Smith of eighteen hundred dollars in trust to enforce the laws of this State in relation to the prevention of cruelty to children in the State of Delaware,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Donahoe, Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill,

Senate Bill No. 60, entitled

"An act to repeal Chapter 126, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Davis, Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Rose, on behalf of the Committee on Appropriations, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 239, entitled

"An act appropriating money to pay the joint legislative committee for services in connection with remodeling and refurbishing the State House,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Burns, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 98, entitled

"An act to authorize the Mayor and Council of the city of Wilmington to borrow a certain sum of money for the elimination of grade crossings of railroads and for the improvement of streets and avenues of the city of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Burns, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 72, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'To revise the statutes relating to the city of Wilmington,' being Chapter 207, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, and providing herein for the attendance of pupils living outside the city limits,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

On motion of Mr. Short, House Bill No. 134, entitled

"An act authorizing the Levy Court of Sussex County to fund certain indebtedness of Sussex County,"

Was taken up for consideration.

And, on his further motion was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

Mr. Short further moved that the bill be made a special order for 10.30 o'clock, A. M., Saturday,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Wagamon, the bill,

House Bill No. 153, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 444, Volume 13, Laws of Delaware, as amended by Chapter 401, Volume 15, Laws of Delaware, and as amended by Chapter 90, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, and as amended by Chapter 138, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, and to regulate the employment of surveyors in certain cases of the laying out of ditches or prongs to old ditches,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And on his further motion was read a third time by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Cottingham, Davis, Donahoe, Donovan, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Sharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Senate Bill No. 74, entitled

"An act to repeal Chapter 219, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act in regard to pleading in civil and criminal cases,'"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Davis Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Clark, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Hushebeck,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 242, entitled

"An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to grade and regulate grain distilleries in the State of Delaware,'"

Which, on motion of Mr. Clark,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Clark Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

Mr. Donahoe, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Rose,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 244, entitled

"An act to amend an act in relation to certain unpaid taxes in New Castle County for the years of 1897 and 1898,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Donahoe,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Donahoe Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

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

Senate Bill No. 1, entitled

"An act authorizing the appointment of a joint committee of two on the part of the Senate, and three on the part of the House, to settle with the State Treasurer, Auditor of Accounts,

Secretary of State, and Clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives, at a meeting to be held on the third Tuesday of January, 1900."

Senate Bill No. 86, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 8, of the Revised Code, of this State as the same was amended and published in A. D., 1893, by providing that accounts of guardians shall be passed in the Orphans' Court."

Also Senate Bill No. 80, entitled

"An act authorizing School District No. 135, in Kent County, to raise one hundred and fifty dollars a year for school purposes by taxation."

And presented the same to the House.

Mr. Donahoe, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Buell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 247, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 36, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act providing for a uniform system of registration of all qualified voters in this State,'"

Which, on motion of Mr. Donahoe,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Donahoe, Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Donahoe, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Buell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 248, entitled

"An act to provide for the levying and collection of a capita-
tion tax,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Donahoe,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Donahoe, Rule 12 was sus-
pended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by
its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Wagamon, Senate Bill No. 77, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 14, Volume 14, of the Laws of
Delaware, entitled 'An act to incorporate the town of Lewes,
and for other purposes,' and the acts amendatory thereof, by
authorizing the commissioners of said town to appropriate
money for payments of prescribed material and increasing the
amount to be raised by taxation,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Wagamon, Rule 12 was sus-
pended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

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

House Bill No. 154, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 556, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware, being an act entitled 'An act for the protection of fish in the waters of Indian river, Rehoboth bay and the tributaries thereof.'"

House Bill No. 86, entitled

"An act providing for the granting of certificates to certain school teachers."

House Bill No. 121, entitled

"An act providing graded school facilities for the children of this State."

House Bill No. 141, entitled

"An act to incorporate the town of Little Creek."

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. Wagamon, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Clark,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 241, entitled

"An act to regulate the advertisement of Sheriff's sales,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Wagamon,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Wagamon, Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

Senate Bill No. 123, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to regulate the trimming of thorn hedges growing along the public roads of this State,'"

Senate Bill No. 60, entitled

"An act to repeal Chapter 126, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware."

Senate Bill No. 74, entitled

"An act to repeal Chapter 219, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act in regard to pleading in civil and criminal cases,'"

And presented the same to the House.

Mr. Kenney, also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House bills:

House Bill No. 103, entitled

"An act in relation to examination papers for teachers to be compiled by the State Board of Education and framed by the superintendents of schools."

Also House Bill No. 80, entitled

"An act to provide for certain expenses of the Superior Court and Court of Chancery, being an act to amend Chapter 254, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act to authorize the payment of certain expenses incurred by order of the court of this State.'"

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Wagamon, the bill,

House Bill No. 192, entitled

"An act in relation to certain real estate late of Sallie C. Gordy, and to enable the representatives of the said Sallie C. Gordy to complete title thereto."

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which on being taken were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Cottingham, Davis, Donovan, Faries, Frazier, Hering, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Lattomus, O'Day, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Donahoe, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. McNulty,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 246, entitled

"An act to enable and authorize the Levy Court of New Castle County to appropriate money to St. James Male Prorectory,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Donahoe,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Donahoe Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Donahoe, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. McNulty,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 245, entitled

"An act to enable and authorize the Levy Court of New Castle County to appropriate money to St. Peters' Female Asylum,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Donahoe,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Donahoe Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Kenney, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the House, the following duly and correctly enrolled Senate bill:

Senate Bill No. 49, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 99, of the Revised Code, in relation to forthwith writ of summons issued by justices of the peace."

On motion House adjourned until 10.30 o'clock A. M., Saturday, February 4, 1899.

Saturday, March 4, 1899—10.30 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Davis, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Lattomus, McNulty, O'Day, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Burns, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the Senate Bill, No. 39, entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 449, of Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act regulating pilots and pilotage of and in the bay and river Delaware,’ as the same has been amended, regulating the license of pilots and changing the same for pilotage,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 69, entitled

"An act to prohibit trading stamps, trading checks, and other gift enterprises,"

Reported the same back to the House without recommendation.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 213, entitled

"An act to change the manner of the selection and appointment of the captain and crew of the vessel or watch boat mentioned in Section 19 of Chapter 652, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the Senate Bill, No. 88, entitled

"A supplement to an act entitled 'An act regulating the practice of medicine and surgery in this State,' passed at Dover, April 18, 1895,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 206, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 175, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware, being the charter of the town of Newark, by regulating the assessment of farm lands in said town,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, House Bill No. 98, entitled

"An act to authorize 'The Mayor and Council of Wilmington' to borrow a certain sum of money for the elimination of grade crossings of railroads, and for the improvement of streets and avenues in the city of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration.

On the further motion of Mr. Robertson, the said bill

Was made a special order for Monday, at 11.30 o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Davis, on behalf of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as duly and correctly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker, the following bills:

Senate Bill No. 48, entitled

"An act to change the name of Mary Atwood to the name of Mary Culbreth."

Senate Bill No. 49, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 79, of the Revised Code, in relation to forthwith writ of summons issued by justices of the peace."

House Bill No. 94, entitled

"An act to incorporate the town of Delmar in Sussex County."

Also House Bill No. 123, entitled

"An act to prevent the adulteration of candy."

Mr. McNulty, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Hazzard,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 249, entitled

"An act to incorporate The Fidelity Trust and Title Company,"

Which, on motion of Mr. McNulty,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. McNulty Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Hazzard, the bill,

House Bill No. 198, entitled

“An act authorizing the Governor to appoint a notary public for Lewes and Rehoboth Hundreds, Sussex County, whose privileges and duties shall be confined to the business of the Lewes National Bank,”

Was taken up for consideration,

And on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Davis, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Jenkins, Jester, King, Lattomus, McNulty, O'Day, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—30.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Kenney, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, returned to the House the following duly and correctly enrolled House joint resolution, the same having been signed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House:

House Joint Resolution No. 23, entitled

"Joint resolution in relation to printing the book in the recorder's office at Dover, known at the Duke of York's Record."

Mr. Kenney, also presented for the signature of the Speaker of the House the following duly and correctly enrolled Senate bill, the same having been signed by the President of the Senate:

Senate Bill No. 29, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 583, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, in relation to the settlement of personal estates."

Mr. Kenney, also informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House, in the following Senate bill:

Senate Bill No. 42, entitled

"An act fixing the rates of prices at which the Board of Water Commissioners of the city of Wilmington shall hereafter supply water to persons using the same in the city of Wilmington."

And presented the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Donahoe, the bill,

House Bill No. 180, entitled

“An act for the regulation of telephone tolls within the State of Delaware,”

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion was read a third time by paragraphs in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Burns, Davis, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Lattomus, McNulty, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rose, the bill,

House Bill No. 170, entitled

“An act to amend Section 10, Chapter 60, of the Revised Code, giving the Superior Court the discretion to pay certain costs in proceedings to lay out a new road,”

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Burns, Davis, Donahoe, Donovan, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Lattomus, McNulty, O'Day, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. O'Day, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Hazzard,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 251, entitled

"An act to change the limits of the election district in the Second Representative District in Kent County,"

Which, on motion of Mr. O'Day,

Was read.

Mr. McNulty, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Hazzard,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill

House Bill No. 252, entitled

"An act to supplement Chapter 106, in relation to pleading and practice in civil actions,"

Which, on motion of Mr. McNulty,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. McNulty, Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Satterfield, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 25, entitled

"An act authorizing the State Librarian to make a catalogue of the State Library,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Satterfield,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Satterfield Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

Mr. Shallcross, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Hazzard,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 123, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to regulate the trimming of thorn hedges growing along the public roads of this State,'"

Which, on motion of Mr. Shallcross,

Was read.

On the futher motion of Mr. Shallcross Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. McNulty, the bill,

Senate Bill No. 42, entitled

"An act fixing the rates or prices at which the Board of Water Commissioners of the city of Wilmington shall hereinafter supply water to persons using the same in the city of Wilmington,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. McNulty Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill,

House Bill No. 134, entitled

“An act authorizing the Levy Court of Sussex County to fund certain indebtedness of Sussex County,”

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs in order to pass the House.

Mr. Rose moved that the bill

Be recommitted.

On the question “Shall the bill be recommitted?”

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Clark, Cottingham, Faries, Jester, King, McNulty, O’Day, Rose, Shallcross, Taylor, Wagamon—11.

Nays—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Davis, Dennison, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Latomus, Robertson, Satterfield, Short, Tharp, West, Mr. Speaker—18.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was

Lost.

Mr. Burns called for the original question on the foregoing House Bill No. 134, entitled:

‘An act authorizing the Levy Court of Sussex County to fund a certain indebtedness of Sussex County.’

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Davis, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Latomus, Robertson, Satterfield, Short, Tharp, West, Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—Messrs. Clark, Cottingham, Donahoe, Donovan, Jester, King, McNulty, O’Day, Rose, Shallcross, Taylor—11.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

The hour of 12 o’clock, M. having arrived;

The Senate, preceded by the President pro tem, and attended by the Clerks and Sergeant-at-Arms, proceeded to the hall of the House of Representatives, for the purpose of voting for a United States Senator, in obedience to the act of Congress, entitled

"An act to regulate the time and manner of holding elections for Senators in Congress," passed July 25th, 1866.

JOINT SESSION.

Roll of the two houses called.

The Journals read and approved.

The Clerks were directed to call the rolls of the respective houses, and the members, as their names were called,

Responded by viva voce vote, as follows, viz:

Mr. Abbott, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Allee, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Blakely, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Brasure, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Farlow, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Hart, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Knox, of the Senate, voted for J. S. Willis.

Mr. Lewis, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Maull, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. McFarlin, of the Senate, voted for W. C. Spruance.

Mr. Meredith, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Moore, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Pennewill, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.

- Mr. Pyle, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.
- Mr. Shakespeare, of the Senate, voted for J. S. Willis.
- Mr. Slaughter, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.
- Mr. President pro tem, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.
- Mr. Buell, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Burns, of the House, voted for J. S. Willis.
- Mr. Clark, of the House, voted for John Biggs.
- Mr. Conaway, of the House, was absent.
- Mr. Cottingham, of the House, voted for John Biggs.
- Mr. Davis, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
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There was no election to said office.

On motion of Mr. Moore, of the Senate, the two houses separated,

And the members of the Senate returned to their chamber,

Mr. Burns moved that House Bill No. 29, entitled

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled 'An act to establish a bank and incorporate a company under the name of the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware,' authorizing the closing of the branch of said bank at New Castle and the reduc-

tion of the capital stock of said corporation to five hundred thousand dollars,"

Be made a special order for Monday, March 6, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Which motion Prevailed.

Mr. Rose moved to hold an afternoon session at 2.30 o'clock P. M.

Which motion Prevailed.

Mr. Davis moved that the House

Hold night sessions next week on Monday, March 6, Tuesday, March 7, Wednesday, March 8, and Friday, March 10.

Which motion Prevailed.

Mr. McNulty moved that the motion to hold a session this afternoon,

Be reconsidered.

Which motion Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. West the House adjourned until 10.30 o'clock A. M., Monday, March 6, 1899.

March 6, 1899—10.30 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Davis, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Lattomus, McNulty, O'Day, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Standing committee reports, none.

Mr. William H. Heald, on behalf of the committee appointed to investigate the Farmers' Bank of Delaware, at New Castle, submitted a report,

Which was read as follows:

To the Committee on Private Corporations, of the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen: The undersigned, accountants employed by your committee, under a resolution of the House, passed February 21, 1899, to examine into the affairs of the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware, relative to the closing of the branch bank at New Castle and concerning the reduction of the capital stock of the corporation, have the honor to report as follows:

The Farmers' Bank being a company, organized and exist-

ing under an act of the General Assembly, passed February 4, 1807, with general banking powers, and having its principal bank at Dover; with branches at Georgetown, Wilmington and New Castle, a thorough examination of its affairs would necessarily embrace not only the business of the principal bank, but also that of the several branches. It has not been possible, in the limited time allowed for our investigation, to make such an examination, and we have, therefore, been compelled to rely largely upon statements furnished us by the principal bank for information as to the general condition of the company.

It appears from these statements that the surplus of the company, held by the principal bank and the branches at Georgetown and Wilmington, on February 21, 1899, amounted to \$538,046.09, divided as follows:

Principal bank at Dover	\$371,747.04	
Branch at Georgetown	129,982.32	
Branch at Wilmington	36,316.73	
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		\$538,046.09
The statement of the branch at New Castle shows a deficit, chargeable to surplus of		28,205.40
Reducing the general surplus account to.....		\$509,840.69

Against this balance there would be chargeable also any further losses to February 21st, not yet ascertained. We are of the opinion that in the final settlement of the affairs of the New Castle branch there will be a very material shrinkage of its assets which will increase considerably its present shortage.

The branch bank at New Castle has been failing for some years and has not been able to earn the dividends on its capital, which have been paid out of funds furnished by the principal bank. The largest asset of this branch consists of real estate valued at \$81,058.30, but which, it is believed, cannot be sold at a price approaching that sum. There is no apparent reason to hope for improvement in the condition of the New Castle branch, and since it must, if continued, be conducted at a loss, we recommend that it be closed.

The question of the reduction of the capital stock of the Farmers' Bank is one of vital concern to the State of Delaware.

The corporation is now capitalized at \$680,000, apportioned as follows:

Principal bank at Dover	\$224,000	
Branch at Georgetown	120,000	
Branch at Wilmington	236,000	
Branch at New Castle	100,000	
		<hr/> \$680,000

The State holds, as an investment for its general fund, 1275 full-paid shares, and as an investment for its school fund, 2439 full-paid shares, and 5000 shares upon which \$36 per share were paid. The aggregate holding of the State is thus found to be 8714 shares, on which it has paid \$365,700. All other stockholders have but 6286 full-paid shares, representing an investment of \$314,300. The State has, therefore, a majority of 2428 shares and an investment of \$51,400 more than the other stockholders.

The discontinuance of the branch bank at New Castle would alone warrant a reduction of the capital, but in addition to this the accumulation of the large surplus shown above, renders unnecessary the maintenance of the whole amount of the outstanding stock for the safe and profitable conduct of the business of the banking company.

In considering the question of stock reduction, however, we deemed it only just to the State, and to the great body of the people whom it represents, to make due allowances for the preponderating number of shares held by it, for its large investment in the capital of the bank, and for the continued and unvarying support which the State has given to the bank, resulting in the steady increase of the bank's business and the growth in value of all the stock.

Much stress has been laid on the fact that the State paid in but \$36 per share on the 5000 shares for which it subscribed in

1837 and the argument has been advanced that these shares should be considered as equivalent only to 3600 full paid shares. We have found that the State did not complete the full payment, originally intended to be made, on the 5000 shares, and that there remains to be paid \$14 on each of these shares, but it is also true that the State reserved to itself the right at the time of amending the Bank's Charter, in 1837, to subscribe for 5000 shares and such subscription was duly made by the State Treasurer on the books of the bank. Whether the State has waived this right by failing heretofore to complete the required payment on these shares we have not determined, nor have we thought it essential to the right solution of the question referred to us to insist upon the recognition of this right by the bank and the completion by the State at this time of the payment due on the 5000 shares. If this right is still subsisting the exercise thereof would be of great financial advantage to the State by giving to it a much larger share of stock and a desirable, good paying investment. There has been considerable difference of opinion on this point, and in order to reach a settlement we have concluded that it would be advisable to formally waive this right and accept in lieu thereof a larger share of the reduced capital of the bank as an investment for the school fund, thereby securing for the State, in a measure, the benefits which would accrue to it by the exercise of the right to make the 5000 shares full paid.

In connection with our investigation we have carefully examined the bill pending before your honorable committee, having for its object the closing of the branch bank at New Castle and the reduction of the capital stock of the banking company. Under this bill, if it should become a law, the State would forfeit all privileges as a subscriber for the above mentioned 5000 shares and would surrender in all 3228 $\frac{1}{2}$ shares of its present holding. It would receive in cash from the banking company \$118,852.50, and the majority of 2428 shares, which the State now holds, would be reduced to 771 shares.

We have prepared and submit herewith a substitute bill under which, we believe, that, while the State would receive a few benefits that could not be accorded to it under the terms of the original bill, equal and exact justice will at the same time be

done to the individual stockholders. Under the provisions of the substitute bill the State will retain 5700 full paid shares of stock and will receive \$104,910, \$82,875 for its general fund and \$22,035 for its school fund. The individual stockholders will receive 4300 full paid shares and \$65 per share for 1986 shares of their present holdings to be retired. The State will then have a majority of 1400 shares as against 771 provided by the original bill and will receive a smaller sum of school fund to be re-invested.

We believe that the best interests of the State and the other stockholders of the bank will be subserved by the passage of the substitute bill.

We desire to here call the attention of your honorable committee to the importance of passing an act, before the adjournment of this session of the General Assembly, for the re-investment of the above sum of \$22,035, which will be credited to the school fund. Unless this be done the money will remain idle and unproductive.

We also desire to acknowledge our indebtedness to the Hon. Edward Ridgely, the able attorney for the Farmers' Bank at Dover, and to Mr. Walter Morris, cashier of the bank, for many courtesies shown and valuable assistance rendered us in the course of our work.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. HEALD,
JOHN S. ROSSELL,
GEORGE D. KELLEY,
JNO. S. COLLINS.

March 2, 1899.

On motion of Mr. Burns, the bill,

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to establish a bank and incorporate a company under the name of the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware,' authorizing the closing of the branch of said bank at New Castle, and the reduction of the capital stock of said corporation to five hundred thousand dollars,"

Was taken up for consideration.

And, on his further motion,

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Davis, Dennison Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Lattomus, McNulty, O'Day, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—31.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the bill,

House Bill No. 98, entitled

"An act to authorize the Mayor and Council of Wilmington to borrow a certain sum of money for the elimination of grade

street crossings of railroads and for other improvements of streets and avenues in the city of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration.

And, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Hazzard, Hitchen, Jester, King, Lattomus, McNulty, O'Day, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Wagamon, West—19.

Nays—Messrs. Buell, Davis, Ewing, Frazier, Frizzell, Hering, Hunter, Jenkins, Short, Sharp, Mr. Speaker—11.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Wagamon, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Clark,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 256, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 59, Revised Code, as amended by Chapter 401, Volume 15, Laws of Delaware, and as further amended by Chapter 90, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, and as

further amended by Chapter 138, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, concerning the drainage of swamps and low grounds, and to facilitate the laying out and opening of public ditches,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Wagamon,

Was read,

On the further motion of Mr. Wagamon Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Faries, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Buell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 254, entitled

"An act providing that the official ballots shall hereafter be marked by the voter when indicating his choice of candidates, with an indelible lead pencil,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Faries,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Faries Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Rose, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Clark,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 255, entitled

“An act to exempt persons residing in incorporated towns and cities in New Castle County from payment of taxes for county purposes on a dog or dogs owned by them and kept within such towns or cities,”

Which, on motion of Mr. Rose,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Rose Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Burns, the bill,

House Bill No. 185, entitled

“An act to amend Section 11, Chapter 24, Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, by fixing the bond of the State Treasurer, and for other purposes,”

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Ewing offered an amendment to House Bill No. 185,

Which, on his motion,

Was read as follows:

Amend the bill by inserting in Section 2, after the word "words," in the sixth line, and before the word "and," in the seventh line of said section, the words "one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars."

And further on his motion

The amendment was

Adopted.

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Davis, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Latotomus, McNulty, O'Day, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—30.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Donahoe, the bill,

House Bill No. 239, entitled

"An act appropriating money to pay the joint legislative
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committee for their services in connection with the remodeling and refurnishing of the State House,"

Was taken up for consideration.

And on his further motion was read a third time by paragraphs, in order to pass the House?"

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

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Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the bill,

House Bill No. 10, entitled

"An act to provide for the permanent improvement of the public highways in the State of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Dennison, Ewing, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hitchen, Lattomus, McNulty, Robertson, West, Mr. Speaker—10.

Nays—Messrs. Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Davis, Donahoe, Donovan, Faries, Frazier, Hering, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Tharp, Wagamon—20.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the bill,

House Bill No. 243, entitled

"An act authorizing the payment to Samuel K. Smith of eighteen hundred dollars in trust to enforce the laws of this State in relation to the prevention of cruelty to children in the State of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs in order to pass the House.

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

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Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Robertson, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 165, entitled

“An act authorizing the appointment of an additional justice of the peace, notary public and constable in New Castle County,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hitchen moved that House Bill No. 213, entitled

“An act to change the manner of the selection and appointment of the captain and crew of the vessel or watch boat mentioned in Section 19, of Chapter 652, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,”

Be recommitted to the Committee on Revised Statutes.”

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Burns moved that House Bill No. 134, entitled

“An act authorizing the Levy Court of Sussex County to fund certain indebtedness of Sussex County,”

Be recalled from the Senate.

Which motion Prevailed.

Mr. Donahoe moved that House Bill No. 179, entitled

“An act to further amend Chapter 418, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors,”

Be recommitted to the Committee on Temperance.

Which motion Prevailed.

The hour of 12 o'clock, M., having arrived,

The Senate preceded by the President pro tem and attended by the Clerks and Sergeant-at-Arms, proceeded to the hall of the House of Representatives, for the purpose of voting for a United States Senator, in obedience to the act of Congress, entitled:

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

JOINT SESSION.

Roll of the two Houses called.

Journals were read and approved.

The Clerks were directed to call the rolls of the respective houses, and the members, as their names were called,

Responded by viva voce vote, as follows, viz:

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Mr. Clark, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Conaway, of the House, was absent.

Mr. Cottingham, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Davis, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Dennison, of the House, voted for W. S. Hilles.

Mr. Donahoe, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Donovan, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Ewing, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Faries, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Frazier, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Frizzell, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Hazzard, of the House, voted for W. S. Hilles.

Mr. Hering, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Hitchen, of the House, voted for W. S. Hilles.

Mr. Hunter, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Hushebeck, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Jenkins, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Jester, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. King, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Lattomus, of the House, voted for W. S. Hilles.

Mr. McNulty, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. O'Day, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Pilling, of the House, was absent.

Mr. Robertson, of the House, voted for W. S. Hilles.

Mr. Rose, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Satterfield, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Shallcross, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Short, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Taylor, of the House, was absent.

Mr. Tharp, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Wagamon, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. West, of the House, voted for W. S. Hilles.

Mr. Speaker, of the House, voted for W. S. Hilles.

The vote as above ascertained having been announced as follows:

For John Edward Addicks, eighteen votes.

For John Biggs, nineteen votes.

For W. S. Hilles, eleven votes.

Total number of votes cast, 49.

The President pro tem of the Senate declared that no person

having received a majority of all the votes cast for United States Senator,

There was no election to said office.

The joint meeting proceeded to another ballot.

The Clerks were directed to call the rolls of the respective houses, and the members, as their names were called,

Responded by viva voce vote, as follows, viz:

Mr. Abbott, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Allee, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Blakely, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Brasure, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Farlow, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Hart, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Knox, of the Senate, voted for W. S. Hilles.

Mr. Lewis, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Maull, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. McFarlin, of the Senate, voted for W. S. Hilles.

Mr. Meredith, of the Senate, was absent.

Mr. Moore, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Pennewill, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Pyle, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

- Mr. Shakespeare, of the Senate, voted for W. S. Hilles.
- Mr. Slaughter, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.
- Mr. President, pro tem, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.
- Mr. Buell, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Burns, of the House, voted for W. S. Hilles.
- Mr. Clark, of the House, voted for John Biggs.
- Mr. Conaway, of the House, was absent.
- Mr. Cottingham, of the House, voted for John Biggs.
- Mr. Davis, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Dennison, of the House, voted for W. S. Hilles.
- Mr. Donahoe, of the House, voted for John Biggs.
- Mr. Donovan, of the House, voted for John Biggs.
- Mr. Ewing, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Faries, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Frazier, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Frizzell, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Hazzard, of the House, voted for W. S. Hilles.
- Mr. Hering, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Hitchen, of the House, voted for W. S. Hilles.
- Mr. Hunter, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Hushebeck, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Jenkins, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Jester, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. King, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Lattomus, of the House, voted for W. S. Hilles.

Mr. McNulty, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. O'Day, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Pilling, of the House, was absent.

Mr. Robertson, of the House, voted for W. S. Hilles.

Mr. Rose, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Satterfield, of the House, voted for J. Edward Addicks.

Mr. Shallcross, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Short, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Taylor, of the House, was absent.

Mr. Tharp, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Wagamon, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. West, of the House, voted for W. S. Hilles.

Mr. Speaker, of the House, voted for W. S. Hilles.

The vote as above ascertained having been announced as follows:

For John Edward Addicks, eighteen votes.

For John Biggs, nineteen votes.

For W. S. Hilles, eleven votes.

Total number of votes cast, 48,

The President pro tem of the Senate declared that no person having received a majority of all the votes cast for United States Senator,

There was no election to said office.

On motion of Mr. Shakespeare, of the Senate, the two houses separated,

And the members of the Senate returned to their chamber.

On motion the House adjourned until 2.30 o'clock, P. M.

Same day—2.30 o'clock P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 238, entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 64, of the Revised Code of 1893, ‘Concerning limited partnership,’ ”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 252, entitled

"An act to supplement Chapter 106, 'In relation to pleading and practice in civil actions,'"

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 233, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 59, Revised Code, as amended by Chapter 401, Volume 15, Laws of Delaware, and as further amended by Chapter 90, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, and as further amended by Chapter 138, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, concerning the drainage of swamps and low grounds and to facilitate the laying out and opening of public ditches,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the Senate Bill No. 74, entitled

"An act to repeal Chapter 219, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act in regard to pleading in civil and criminal cases,'"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the Senate Bill No. 60, entitled

"An act to repeal Chapter 126, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes,

to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 195, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 40, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, being 'An act in relation to the practice of medicine and surgery in this State,'"

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 213, entitled

"An act to change the manner of the selection and appointment of the captain and crew of the vessel or watch boat mentioned in Section 19, of Chapter 652, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House without recommendation.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 215, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 7, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware, by increasing the State tax paid by the Delaware Railroad Company, from \$3,000 per annum to \$20,000 per annum,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 211, entitled

"An act requiring pilots of the bay and river Delaware to take out license,"

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Hazzard, on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture, to whom had been referred the Senate Bill, No. 123, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to regulate the trim-

ming of thorn hedges growing along the public roads of this State,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 237, entitled

"An act to change the voting place in Representative District No. 4, in Sussex County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 234, entitled

"An act authorizing the Levy Court Commissioners of Sussex County, to have built a bridge over White's creek, in Baltimore Hundred, Sussex County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Davis, on behalf of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as duly and correctly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker, the following bills:

Senate Bill No. 29, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 583, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, in relation to the settlement of personal estates."

Also, House Bill No. 115, entitled

"An act requiring judgment of respondeat ouster to be entered on certain cases."

Mr. Lattomus, on behalf of the Committee on Claims, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 124, entitled

"An act appropriating money to compensate Edward Ridgely for his services as judge ad litem in the Supreme Court of this State,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Lattomus, on behalf of the Committee on Claims, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 83, entitled

"An act appropriating seventy-five dollars to the Secretary of State to pay for a new typewriter, purchased by him for use of the stenographer and typewriter for the Governor and Secretary of State,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

House Bill No. 87, entitled

"An act for the protection of carp fish in Appoquinimink Hundred in New Castle County."

House Bill No. 232, entitled

"An act for the relief of the Canterbury public schools."

House Bill No. 182, entitled

"An act to regulate navigation in the mouth of Mahon's river."

House Bill No. 162, entitled

"An act providing for the appointment of special constables for the Wilmington and Brandywine Springs Railway Company."

Also, House Bill No. 158, entitled

"An act in relation to the unpaid taxes in New Castle County for the years of 1897 and 1898, amending Chapter 388, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware."

House Bill No. 91, entitled

"Providing a general law for the government of building and loan associations doing business in this State."

And returned the same to the House.

House Bill No. 140, entitled

"An act to change the name of Little Creek in Kent County to Little River."

House Bill No. 161, entitled

"An act in relation to certain unpaid taxes in New Castle County for the years 1897 and 1898, amending the act published at page 2, of the appendix to Volume 20, Laws of Delaware."

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. Kenney also informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House, in the following Senate bills:

Senate Bill No. 118, entitled

"An act to change the name of Leslie Sylvester to Leslie Thornton."

Senate Bill No. 119, entitled

"An act to change the name of Helen Batten to Helen Thornton."

Senate Bill No. 129, entitled

"An act to change the name of Ida Sylvester to Ida Thornton."

And presented the same to the House.

Mr. Hunter, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. O'Day,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

Senate Bill No. 118, entitled

"An act to change the name of Leslie Sylvester to Leslie Thornton."

Which, on motion of Mr. Hunter,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Hunter Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title and

Referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

Mr. Hunter, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Buell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

Senate Bill No. 129, entitled

"An act to change the name of Ida Sylvester to Ida Thornton,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Hunter,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Hunter Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title and

Referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

Mr. McNulty, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Buell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 263, entitled

"An act authorizing W. M. Ross, former State Treasurer, to have his bi-ennial report printed,"

Which, on motion of Mr. McNulty,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. McNulty Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title and

Referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Hunter, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Jenkins,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

Senate Bill No. 119, entitled

"An act to change the name of Helen Batten to Helen Thornton,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Hunter,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Hunter Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title and

Referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

Mr. Rose, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Clark,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 264, entitled

"An act entitled 'An act for the protection of fish in Bedford Lake,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Rose,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Rose Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title and

Referred to the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game.

Mr. Hitchen, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Ewing,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 262, entitled

“An act allowing the Receiver of Taxes and County Treasurer of New Castle County certain commissions on delinquent taxes collected by him,”

Which, on motion of Mr. Hitchen,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Hitchen, Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Wagamon, the bill,

Senate Bill No. 53, entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 67, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, being an act entitled ‘An act concerning the establishment of a general system of free public schools,’ ”

Was taken up for consideration,

And on his further motion was read a third time by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows;

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Clark, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Hazzard, Jester, King, McNulty, O'Day, Shallcross, Short, Tharp—13.

Nays—Messrs. Burns, Davis, Ewing, Frazier, Hering Hitchen, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Lattomus, Robertson, Rose, Taylor, Wagamon, West—14.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Burns, the bill,

Senate Bill No. 39, entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 449, of Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act regulating pilots and pilotage of and in the bay and river Delaware,’ as the same has been amended, regulating the licenses of pilots and changing the rates for pilotage,”

Was taken up for consideration.

And, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Davis, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Lattomus, McNulty, O'Day, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield,

Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—30.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Hering, the bill,

House Bill No. 232, entitled

“An act for the relief of the Canterbury public schools,”

Was taken up for consideration,

And on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Davis, Dennison, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Lattomus, McNulty, O'Day, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—30.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Burns, the bill,

Senate Bill No. 88, entitled

"A supplement to an act entitled 'An act regulating the practice of medicine and surgery in this State,' passed at Dover, April 18, 1895,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

On the question. "Shall the bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered, which on being taken were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Cottingham, Davis, Dennison, Donahoe, Ewing, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jester, King, Lattomus, McNulty, O'Day, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—28.

Nays—Messrs. Clark, Donovan—2.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Shallcross Senate Bill No. 18, entitled

"An act to provide and establish a State Board of Agriculture and to prescribe its powers and duties,"

Was taken up for consideration.

On his further motion the amendments to the bill were adopted as read.

Mr. Hering moved that the foregoing bill be recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture.

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Donahoe, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Buell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 260, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 92, Volume 12, Laws of Delaware,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Donahoe,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Donahoe Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title and

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Burns, the bill,

House Bill No. 129, entitled

"An act to provide for the erection of a monument to the memory of Lieutenant Clarke Churchman, who was killed in the late war with Spain,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Burns, Cottingham, Davis, Dennison, Donahoe, Ewing, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Jester, King, Lattomus, McNulty, O'Day, Robertson, Rose, Shallcross, Short, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—23.

Nays—Messrs. Clark, Donovan—2.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hering, House Bill No. 15, entitled

"An act proposing an amendment to Section 4, Article 5, of the Constitution of the State of Delaware, for the purpose of repealing that portion of said Constitution which requires the payment of one dollar to secure registration as a voter,"

Was taken up for consideration.

On his further motion consideration of the bill

Was made a special order for Thursday, 11.30 o'clock A. M.

Mr. Hering, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Clark,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 259, entitled

"An act to change the manner of distributing the school fund in consolidated School District Nos. 102, 103, 54 and 82 in Kent County,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Hering,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Hering Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

Mr. Donovan, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Buell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 258, entitled

"An act to reduce the fees paid the State chemist for making for any manufacturer in this State an analysis of a fertilizer made by such manufacturer,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Donovan,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Donovan Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

Mr. Faries, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Buell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 261, entitled

"An act requiring the Clerk of the Peace to publish a fac simile of the stamp to be used at any general election at the same time the official list of candidates is published,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Faries,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Faries, Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion the House adjourned until 7.30 o'clock, P. M.

Same Day—7.30 o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hitchen, on behalf of the Committee on Elections, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 254, entitled

"An act providing that official ballots shall hereafter be marked by the voter with an indelible lead pencil,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably, with amendments.

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 99, entitled

"An act granting to Joseph T. Potter the title of this State to a certain tract of salt marsh,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 242, entitled

"An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to grade and regulate grain distilleries in the State of Delaware,'"

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 250, entitled

"An act authorizing the State Librarian to make a catalogue of the State Library,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

On motion of Mr. Ewing, the bill,

Senate Bill No. 1, entitled

"An act authorizing the appointment of a joint committee of two on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the House to settle with the State Treasurer, Auditor of Accounts, Secretary of State and Clerk of the Senate and House of Representatives, at a meeting to be held on the third Tuesday of January, 1900,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Ewing, Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Ewing, the bill,

Senate Bill No. 86, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 78 of the Revised Code of the State, as the same was amended and published in A. D., 1893, by providing that accounts of guardians shall be passed in the Orphans' Court,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Ewing, Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Ewing, the bill,

Senate Bill No. 56, entitled

"An act to amend Section 7 of Chapter 128 of the Revised Code of this State, as the same was amended and published in A. D., 1893, by providing that the punishment for crimes mentioned in said section shall be whipping and imprisonment,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Ewing, Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the bill,

House Bill No. 222, entitled

"An act to extend the jurisdiction of justices of the peace,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which on being taken were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Donahoe, Satterfield—2.

Nays—Messrs. Burns, Davis, Dennison, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Hazzard, Hitchen, Jester, Lattomus, McNulty, Robertson, Rose, Tharp, West, Mr. Speaker—16.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Speaker, the bill,

House Bill No. 221, entitled

“An act requiring every person exercising the profession of a pilot to obtain a license therefor, amending Chapter 117, Volume 13, Laws of Delaware, as amended,”

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Burns moved that the bill be made a special order for 10.30 o'clock, A. M., Tuesday, March 7, 1899,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Burns, the bill,

House Bill No. 209, entitled

“An act to amend Section 7, Chapter 125, of the Revised Code, as the same is amended and published in A. D., 1893, by fixing the fees of the Sheriff for collecting certain taxes,”

Was taken up for consideration,

And on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Donahoe, Hazzard, Hitchen, Satterfield—4.

Nays—Messrs. Burns, Davis, Dennison, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Jester, Lattomus, McNulty, Robertson, Rose, Tharp, West, Mr. Speaker—14.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. McNulty, the bill,

House Bill No. 21, entitled

“An act to give the Municipal Court of the city of Wilmington jurisdiction to hear, try and determine all those several misdemeanors designated in Chapter 418, Volume 11 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act in relation to obtaining goods under false pretenses,’ Chapter 454, Volume 11 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act for the suppression of gaming,’ Chapter 232, Volume 18 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act for the suppression of lottery policy,’ and Sections 1 and 2 of Chapters 548, Volume 16 of Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act providing for the punishment of persons carrying concealed deadly weapons, whenever such offences shall be committed within the city of Wilmington,’ and to amend Chapter 418, Volume 11, of the Laws of Delaware.’”

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion was read a third time by paragraphs in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Donahoe, McNulty—2.

Nays—Messrs. Burns, Clark, Davis, Dennison, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Hazzard, Hitchen, Jester, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Tharp, Mr. Speaker—14.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was

Lost.

On motion the House adjourned until 10.30 o'clock, A. M., Tuesday, March 7, 1899.

Tuesday, March 7, 1899—10.30 o'clock A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Davis, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Lattomus, McNulty, O'Day, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Tharp, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 249, entitled

“An act to incorporate ‘The Fidelity Trust and Title Company,’”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Tharp, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 225, entitled

“An act to raise revenue for the State by taxing certain corporations,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably with an amendment.

Mr. Donahoe, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 199, entitled

"An act providing that the stated meetings of the school voters in each school district in Kent and Sussex Counties, respectively, shall be held on the second Saturday of each year,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Donahoe, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred the Senate Bill No. 94, entitled

"An act uniting School District No. 163 in Kent County and School District No. 192, in Sussex County, in one united school district, by the name of United School District Nos. 163 and 192, in Milford,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Donahoe, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred the Senate Bill, No. 80, entitled

"An act authorizing School District No. 135 in Kent County, to raise one hundred and fifty dollars a year for school purposes by taxation,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Donahoe, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 240, entitled

"A bill entitled 'An act to enable School District No. 2, in New Castle County to create a sinking fund,'"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Donahoe, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to

whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 235, entitled

"An act to appropriate the sum of one hundred and ninety-eight dollars and sixty-seven cents to each of the school districts laid out and established in Indian River Hundred, Sussex County, under the provisions of an act entitled 'A supplement to an act entitled an act concerning the establishment of a general system of free public schools,' approved at Dover, May 12, 1898, by providing for the laying out and establishing school districts for certain Indians or Moors in Indian River Hundred,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 118, entitled

"An act to change the name of Leslie Sylvester to Leslie Thornton,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 119, entitled

"An act to change the name of Helen Batten to Helen Thornton,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 120, entitled

"An act to change the name of Ida Sylvester to Ida Thornton,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 97, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act relating to the practice of dentistry in the State of Delaware,' being Chapter 496, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 219, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 49, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, being an act entitled 'An act in relation to the compensation of officers of the General Assembly,'"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the Senate Bill, No. 56, entitled

"An act to amend Section 7 of Chapter 128 of the Revised Code of this State, as the same was amended and published in A. D., 1893, by providing that the crimes mentioned in said section shall be punished by whipping and imprisonment,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 247, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 36, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act providing for a uniform system of registration of all qualified voters of this State,'"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 260, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 92, Volume 12, Laws of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Ewing, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 217, entitled

"A further supplement to the act entitled 'An act to establish a bank and incorporate a company under the name of the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware,' passed at Dover, February 4, 1807, which supplement authorizes the branch of said bank at Wilmington to establish an office of deposit at New Castle, Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

On motion of Mr. Donahoe, the bill,

Senate Bill No. 81, entitled

"An act authorizing School District No. 148, in Kent County to raise one hundred and fifty dollars a year for school purposes by taxation,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Donahoe Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Donahoe, the bill,

Senate Bill No. 80, entitled

"An act authorizing School District No. 135 in Kent County,

to raise one hundred and fifty dollars a year for school purposes by taxation,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Donahoe Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Donahoe, the bill,

Senate Bill No. 94, entitled

"An act uniting School District No. 163, in Kent County, and School District No. 192, in Sussex County, in one united School District by the name of United School District Nos. 163 and 192 in Milford,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Donahoe Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Burns, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Frizzell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 265, entitled

"An act in relation to the bonds of the Receivers of Taxes and County Treasurer of New Castle County,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Burns Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

Mr. Burn, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Ewing,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 266, entitled

"An act appropriating one thousand dollars to the Delaware Game Protective Association for stocking the State with game birds,"

Which, on his motion,

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Burns Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game.

The hour of 10.30 o'clock having arrived,

On motion of Mr. Speaker, the bill,

House Bill No. 221, entitled

“An act requiring every person exercising the profession of a pilot to obtain a license therefor, amending Chapter 117, Volume 13, Laws of Delaware, as amended,”

Which had been set apart as special order for this time,

Was taken up for consideration,

And on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Hering, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Lattomus, Short, Mr. Speaker—8.

Nays—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Davis, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frizzell, Hazard, Hitchen, Hunter, McNulty, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Wagamon, West—21.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Hunter, the bill,

House Bill No. 218, entitled

“An act requiring roving bands of nomads, commonly called gypsies, who have no permanent place of abode, to take out license, for which they shall pay to the Clerk of the Peace

for the use of the State, the sum of fifty dollars, and prescribing penalty for violation of the provisions of this act,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Ewing, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jester, McNulty, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Tharp, West, Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dennison, the bill,

House Bill No. 212, entitled

"An act in relation to the attachment of wages of persons in New Castle County for necessities of life,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Burns offered an amendment to the bill,

Which, on his motion,

Was read as follows:

"Amend by striking out the word 'fifteen' wherever it appears in the bill and insert the word 'ten.'"

And on his further motion,

The amendment was

Adopted.

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Davis, Dennison, Farries, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Rose, Short, West, Mr. Speaker—15.

Nays—Messrs. Donahoe, Donovan, Hunter, O'Day, Robertson, Taylor, West—7.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill,

House Bill No. 107, entitled

"An act providing that no license shall be required or fees paid for the privilege of selling game in this State,"

Was taken up for consideration.

And further on his motion, the amendments to the bill

Were read as follows:

Senate amendment to House Bill No. 107:

"Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting therefore the following: 'An act regulating the sale of game.'

"Further amend the bill by striking out all of Section 1 thereof, after the word 'that,' in the first line of Section 1 and before the word 'every,' in the fourth line of said section.

"Further amend the bill by striking out all of Section 1 thereof after the word 'State,' in the eighth line of said section, and insert in lieu thereof 'by the payment to the said Clerk of the Peace for the use of the State the sum of (\$10) ten dollars additional license.'"

Mr. Short moved that the amendments be adopted,

Which motion

Prevailed.

And further on his motion the bill as amended was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Donahoe, Ewing, Frizzell, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jester, King, O'Day, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Sharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—22.

Nays—Messrs. Buell, Davis, Donovan, Faries, Frazier, Jenkins—6.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

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And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

The hour of 11.30 o'clock having arrived,

On motion of Mr. Hering, the bill,

House Bill No. 15, entitled

"An act proposing an amendment to Section 4, Article 5, of the Constitution of the State of Delaware, for the purpose of repealing that portion of said Constitution which requires the payment of one dollar to secure registration as a voter,"

Which had been set apart as special order for this time,

Was taken up for consideration,

And on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Davis, Dennison, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Lattomus, Robertson, Satterfield, Short, Tharp, Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—Messrs. Cottingham, Donahoe, Donovan, Jester, King, McNulty, Rose, Shallcross, Taylor, Wagamon—10.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

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And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

House Bill No. 132, entitled

"An act to amend the act providing for the assessment of poll taxes."

House Bill No. 139, entitled

"An act to amend Section 2, of Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, by giving parties in suits for divorce a right of appeal."

House Bill No. 160, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 31, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, changing the manner of collecting taxes in New Castle County."

Also House Bill No. 164, entitled

"An act to repeal Chapter 463, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, being an act entitled 'An act for the protection of sturgeon.'"

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Hunter, the bill,

House Bill No. 235, entitled

"An act to appropriate the sum of one hundred and ninety-eight dollars and sixty-seven cents to each of the school dis-

tricts laid out and established in Indian River Hundred, Sussex County, under the provisions of an act entitled 'A supplement to an act concerning the establishment of a general system of free public schools,' approved at Dover, May 12, A. D., 1898, by providing for laying out and establishing school districts for certain Indians or Moors in Indian River Hundred,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Davis, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Lattomus, McNulty, O'Day, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—32.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Kenney, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the House the following duly and correctly enrolled Senate bills, the same having been signed by the President of the Senate:

Senate Bill No. 39, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 449, of Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act regulating pilots and pilotage of and in the bay and river Delaware,' as the same has been amended."

Mr. Shallcross presented a numerously signed petition in relation to the game laws of the State,

Which on his motion,

Was read.

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game.

On motion of Mr. Shallcross, the bill,

House Bill No. 165, entitled

"An act authorizing the appointment of an additional justice of the peace, notary public and constable in New Castle County,"

Was taken up for consideration.

On his further motion the said bill

Was made a special order for 10.30 o'clock A. M., tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. West, the bill,

House Bill No. 234, entitled

"An act authorizing and empowering the Levy Court Commissioners of Sussex County to have built a bridge over White's creek, in Baltimore Hundred, Sussex County,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Davis, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Lattomus, McNulty, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—32.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill,

House Bill No. 189, entitled

"An act to abolish the Board of Light and Water Commissioners of the town of Milford, and to invest the town council of Milford with all the power now vested by law in the said Board of Light and Water Commissioners of the town of Milford,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Rose moved that the said bill be made a special order for 11 o'clock, A. M., Wednesday,

Which motion

Prevailed.

The hour of 12 o'clock, M., having arrived,

The Senate, preceded by the President pro tem and attended by the Clerks and Sergeant-at-Arms, proceeded to the hall of the House of Representatives, for the purpose of voting for a United States Senator, in obedience to the act of Congress, entitled:

"An act to regulate the time and manner of holding elections for Senators in Congress," passed July 25th, 1866.

JOINT SESSION.

Roll of the two houses called.

Journals read and approved.

The Clerks were directed to call the rolls of the respective houses, and the members, as their names were called,

Responded by viva voce vote, as follows, viz:

Mr. Abbott, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Allee, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Blakely, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Brasure, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Farlow, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Hart, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Knox, of the Senate, voted for H. P. Cannon.

Mr. Lewis, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Maull, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. McFarlin, of the Senate, voted for H. P. Cannon.

Mr. Meredith, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Moore, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Pennewill, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Pyle, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Shakespeare, of the Senate, voted for H. P. Cannon.

Mr. Slaughter, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. President pro tem, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Buell, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Burns, of the House, voted for H. P. Cannon.

Mr. Clark, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Conaway, of the House, was absent.

Mr. Cottingham, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Davis, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Dennison, of the House, voted for H. P. Cannon.

Mr. Donahoe, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Donovan, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Ewing, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Faries, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Frazier, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

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Mr. Hazzard, of the House, voted for H. P. Cannon.

Mr. Hering, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Hitchen, of the House, voted for H. P. Cannon.

Mr. Hunter, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Hushebeck, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Jenkins, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Jester, of the House, voted for John Biggs,

Mr. King, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Lattomus, of the House, voted for H. P. Cannon.

Mr. McNulty, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. O'Day, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Pilling, of the House, was absent.

Mr. Robertson, of the House, voted for H. P. Cannon.

Mr. Rose, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Satterfield, of the House, voted for J. Edward Addicks

Mr. Shallcross, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Short, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Taylor, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Tharp, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Wagamon, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. West, of the House, voted for H. P. Cannon.

Mr. Speaker, of the House, voted for H. P. Cannon.

The vote as above ascertained having been announced as follows:

For John Edward Addicks, eighteen votes.

For John Biggs, twenty-one votes.

For Henry P. Cannon, eleven votes.

Total number of votes cast, 50,

The President pro tem of the Senate declared that no person having received a majority of all the votes cast for United States Senator,

There was no election to said office.

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Mr. Clark, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Conaway, of the House, was absent.

Mr. Cottingham, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Davis, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Dennison, of the House, voted for H. P. Cannon.

Mr. Donahoe, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

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Mr. Hunter, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Hushebeck, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Jenkins, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

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Mr. Shakespeare, of the Senate, voted for H. P. Cannon.

Mr. Slaughter, of the Senate, voted for John Biggs.

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Mr. Buell, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.

Mr. Burns, of the House, voted for H. P. Cannon.

Mr. Clark, of the House, voted for John Biggs.

Mr. Conaway, of the House, was absent.

- Mr. Cottingham, of the House, voted for John Biggs.
- Mr. Davis, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Dennison, of the House, voted for H. P. Cannon.
- Mr. Donahoe, of the House, voted for John Biggs.
- Mr. Donovan, of the House, voted for John Biggs.
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- Mr. Faries, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
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- Mr. Hunter, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Hushebeck, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Jenkins, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Jester, of the House, voted for John Biggs.
- Mr. King, of the House, voted for John Biggs.
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There was no election to said office.

On motion of Mr. Shakespeare, of the Senate, the two houses separated,

And the members of the Senate returned to their chamber.

On motion the House adjourned until 2.30 o'clock, P. M.

Same day—2.30 o'clock P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Robertson, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 165, entitled

“Substitute for an act authorizing the appointment of an additional justice of the peace in New Castle County,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Robertson, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 267, entitled

“An act authorizing the appointment of an additional notary public in New Castle County,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Robertson, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 268, entitled

“An act authorizing the appointment of an additional county constable in New Castle County,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hering, on behalf of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as duly and correctly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker, the following House bills:

House Bill No. 121, entitled

"An act providing graded school facilities for the children of this State."

Also House Bill No. 80, entitled

"An act to provide for certain expenses of the Superior Court and Court of Chancery, being an act to amend Chapter 254, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware."

Also House Bill No. 91, entitled

"An act providing a general law for the government of building and loan associations doing business in this State."

Also House Bill No. 162, entitled

"An act to authorize the appointment of special constables for the 'Wilmington and Brandywine Springs Railway Company.'"

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 244, entitled

"An act to amend an act in relation to certain unpaid taxes in New Castle County for the years of 1897 and 1898,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 248, entitled

"An act to provide for levying and collection of a capitation tax,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Satterfield, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the House Bill No. 259, entitled

"An act to change the manner of distributing the school fund in Consolidated School Districts Nos. 102, 103, 54 and 82, in Kent County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Clark moved that House Bill No. 242, entitled

"An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to grade and regulate grain distilleries in the State of Delaware,'"

Be recommitted to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Burns, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 163, entitled

"An act authorizing and empowering 'The Mayor and Council of Wilmington' to increase each annual appropriation hereafter to be made to the Friendship Fire Company, by the sum of five hundred dollars,"

Reported the same back to the House without recommendation.

Mr. Shallcross, on behalf of the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 264, entitled

"An act entitled 'An act for the protection of fish in Beauford lake,'"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Shallcross, on behalf of the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 266, entitled

"An act appropriating one thousand dollars to the Delaware Game Protective Association for restocking the State with game birds,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably, as amended.

Mr. Hazzard, on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture, to whom had been referred the House Bill, No. 186, entitled

"An act authorizing the Treasurer of the State of Delaware to pay Wesley Webb the sum of four hundred dollars for services rendered and expenses incurred as inspector of San Jose scale, in this State,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hering, on behalf of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as duly and correctly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker, the following House bills:

House Bill No. 86, entitled

"An act providing for the granting of certificates to certain school teachers."

Also, House Bill No. 145, entitled

"An act to amend Section 9, Chapter 52, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, so as to enable the Board of Education of the town of Harrington, to raise for school purposes in any one year a sum not to exceed twenty-five hundred dollars."

Also, House Bill No. 140, entitled

"An act to change the name of Little Creek, in Kent County to Little River."

Also House Bill No. 239, entitled

"An act appropriating money to pay the joint legislative committee for their services in connection with the remodeling and refurnishing of the State House."

Also, House Bill No. 158, entitled

"An act in relation to the unpaid taxes in New Castle County for the years 1897 and 1898, amending Chapter 388, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware."

Also, House Bill No. 103, entitled

"An act in relation to examination papers for teachers, to be compiled by the State Board of Education and framed by the superintendents of schools."

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

House Bill No. 198, entitled

"An act authorizing the Governor to appoint a notary public for Lewes and Rehoboth Hundred, Sussex County, defining his duties and privileges."

House Bill No. 200, entitled

"An act providing that it shall be illegal to fish in the waters of the Delaware bay or river with a net or seine with meshes less than two and five-eighth inches,"

And returned the same to the House.

Also, in compliance with the request of the House, returned to the House,

House Bill No. 134, entitled

"An act authorizing the Levy Court of Sussex County to fund certain indebtedness."

Mr. Kenney also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House bills:

House Bill No. 174, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 610, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, by providing that hereafter the commissioners of Kenton public schools shall have power to raise by taxation the sum not exceeding seven hundred dollars (\$700)."

House Bill No. 172, entitled

"An act authorizing school district No. 162, in Kent County to raise two hundred dollars (\$200) additional tax for the purpose of building a new school house," etc.

House Bill No. 243, entitled

"An act authorizing payment to S. K. Smith of eighteen hundred dollars (\$1800) in trust for the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children for the State of Delaware."

House Bill No. 192, entitled

"An act in relation to certain real estate, late of Sallie C. Gordy, and to enable her representatives to complete title to the same."

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. Kenney, also informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House, in the following Senate bills;

Senate Bill No. 104, entitled

"An act changing the manner of appointing the trustees of the poor in New Castle County."

Senate Bill No. 78, entitled

"An act regulating the running at large of dogs within the limits of the town of Lewes and providing for registering dogs and taxing same."

Also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House bill:

House Bill No. 142, entitled

"An act extending the time for collection of taxes for 1897 in the city of New Castle."

And presented the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Hering, the bill,

Senate Bill No. 75, entitled

"An act to consolidate United School Districts Nos. 65 and 66, and United School Districts Nos. 42, 43, 68 and 70, in Kent County, now consolidated under the name of 'The Public Schools of Milford, Kent County,' and School Districts Nos. 2, 100, 103, and 104, in Sussex County, now consolidated under the name of 'The Board of Public Education for South Milford,' into one united School District by the name of 'The Public Schools of Milford,'"

Was taken up for consideration.

And on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Burns, Cottingham, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jester, King, Lattomus, McNulty, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—27.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Ewing, the bill,

House Bill No. 240, entitled

“An act to enable School District No. 2, in New Castle County, to create a sinking fund,”

Was taken up for consideration.

And, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King,

Lattomus, McNulty, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—31.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Shallcross, the bill,

House Bill No. 176, entitled

“An act in relation to liens for advances to farmers or other persons engaged in the cultivation of the soil,”

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion, was read a third time by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Burns, Cottingham, Dennison, Ewing, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hunter, Jenkins, King, McNulty, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Kenney, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following Senate joint resolution:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 23, entitled

"Joint resolution authorizing the printing of 2,000 copies of the General Corporation Law."

Also, Senate Joint Resolution No. 24, entitled

"Joint resolution to arrange for a reunion of the General Assembly."

And presented the same to the House.

Mr. Kenney also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following bill:

House Bill No. 239, entitled

"An act appropriating money to pay the joint legislative committee for services in connection with remodeling and refurnishing the State House,"

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. Kenney also informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following Senate bills:

Senate Bill No. 99, entitled

"An act incorporating the school committee of School Dis-

trict No. 148, in Kent County, by name of 'The Board of Education of School District No. 148,' in Dover."

Senate Bill No. 35, entitled

"An act empowering trustees of the poor in New Castle County to appoint a special officer."

And presented the same to the House.

Mr. Kenney, also returned to the House the following duly and correctly enrolled House bills, the same having been signed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House:

House Bill No. 123, entitled

"An act to prevent the adulteration of candy."

House Bill No. 94, entitled

"An act to incorporate the town of Delmar, in Sussex County."

Mr. Hering, on behalf of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as duly and correctly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker, the following House bills:

House Bill No. 169, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 148, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, as amended by Chapter 224, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, changing the manner of paying the coroner of New Castle County."

On motion of Mr. Hunter, the bill,

House Bill No. 105, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 176, Volume 17, Laws of Dela-

ware, being an act entitled 'An act to re-incorporate the town of Seaford,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Cottingham, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Jenkins, Jester, King, O'Day, Robertson, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—24.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Donahoe, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred the Senate Bill No. 75, entitled

"An act consolidating United School Districts Nos. 65 and 66, and United School Districts Nos. 42, 43, 68 and 70, in Kent County, now consolidated under the name of 'The Public Schools of Milford, Kent County,' and School Districts Nos. 2, 100, 103 and 104, in Sussex County, now consolidated under the name of 'The Board of Public Education for South Milford,' into one United School District, by the name of 'The Public Schools of Milford,' "

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hering, on behalf of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as duly and correctly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker, the following Senate bill:

“Senate Bill No. 39, entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 449, of Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act in relation to pilots,’” etc.

On motion of Mr. Wagamon, the bill,

Senate Bill No. 79, entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 11, entitled ‘An act to incorporate the town of Lewes, and for other purposes,’ and the acts amendatory thereof, by altering the qualifications and terms of office of the commissioners, and providing for filling vacancies in said office,”

Was taken up for consideration.

And on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Dennison, Ewing, Faries, Frizzell, Hering, Hitchen, Hushebeck, Jester, King, Lattomus, O’Day, Robertson, Satterfield, Short, Taylor, Tharp, Wagamon, Mr. Speaker—23.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Burns, the bill,

House Bill No. 225, entitled

"An act to raise revenue for the State by taxing certain corporations," with amendments,

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion was read a third time by paragraphs in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Lattomus, McNulty, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—31

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Burns moved that the vote by which House Bill No. 209, entitled

"An act to amend Section 7, Chapter 125, of the Revised Code, as the same was amended and published in A. D., 1893, by fixing the fees of the Sheriff for collecting certain taxes,"

Was lost,

Be reconsidered,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On his further motion the said bill was recommitted to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Donahoe, Senate Joint Resolution No. 24, entitled

"Joint resolution providing for a reunion of the General Assembly,"

Was read.

And on his further motion, the joint resolution

Was

Concurred in.

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

Mr. Speaker named as the committee on part of the House, Messrs. Donahoe, Hering and Burns.

Mr. Hering moved that the vote by which House Bill No. 98, entitled

"An act to authorize the Mayor and Council of the city of Wilmington to borrow a certain sum of money for the elimination of grade crossing of railroads and for the improvements

of streets and avenues in the city of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Passed the House,

Be reconsidered,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Donovan, the bill,

House Bill No. 122, entitled

"An act for the protection of muskrats in Smyrna river,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Cottingham, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jester, King, Robertson, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Tharp, West, Mr. Speaker—23.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ewing, the bill,

Senate Bill No. 71, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to revise and consolidate the statutes relating to the city of Wilmington,' being Chapter 207, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, and providing herein for the payment to the schools for colored children in said city of the dividends to which they are entitled under existing laws,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Nays—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Cottingham, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hering, Hit-chen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Robertson, Satterfield, Shallcross, Taylor, Tharp, West, Mr. Speaker—28.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill,

House Bill No. 138, entitled

"An act providing an inspector for the First Election District

of Representative District No. 3, of Kent County, for the general election of A. D., 1900,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Cottingham, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Robertson, Shallcross, Taylor, Tharp, West, Mr. Speaker—23.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill,

House Bill No. 137, entitled

"An act providing for the appointment of an inspector for the Second Election District of Representative District No. 3, of Kent County, for the general election of A. D., 1900,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Cottingham, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Robertson, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Mr. Speaker—22.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill,

House Bill No. 136, entitled

"An act designating the voting place of the First Election District, No. 3, of Kent County,"

Was taken up for consideration.

And, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Cottingham, Davis, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, O'Day, Satterfield, Shallcross, Taylor, Mr. Speaker—22.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill,

House Bill No. 135, entitled

“An act designating the voting place in the Second Election District of Representative District No. 3, of Kent County,”

Was taken up for consideration.

And on his further motion was read a third time by paragraphs, in order to pass the House?”

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Clark, Cottingham, Davis, Dennison, Donahoe, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hazzard, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Hushebeck, Jenkins, Jester, King, Lattomus, McNulty, O'Day, Robertson, Rose, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—33.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Donahoe, the bill,

House Bill No. 124, entitled

“An act appropriating money to compensate Edward Ridgely for his services as judge ad litem in the Supreme Court of this State,”

Was taken up for consideration.

And, on his further motion was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered, which, on being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Buell, Burns, Cottingham, Dennison, Donovan, Ewing, Faries, Frazier, Frizzell, Hering, Hitchen, Hunter, Jenkins, Jester, King, Robertson, Satterfield, Shallcross, Short, Taylor, Tharp, Wagamon, West, Mr. Speaker—24.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, House Bill No. 98, entitled

“A substitute for ‘An act to authorize the Mayor and Council of the city of Wilmington to borrow a certain sum of money for the elimination of grade crossings of railroads and for the improvement of streets and avenues in the city of Wilmington, Delaware,’ ”

Was made a special order for Wednesday, at 10.30 o'clock A. M.

Mr. Ewing, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Frizzell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,

House Bill No. 276, entitled

“An act providing commissioners to purchase and distribute game in this State,”

Which, on motion of Mr. Ewing,

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Ewing Rule 12 was suspended as to this bill.

And further on his motion the bill was read a second time, by its title, and

Referred to the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game.

Mr. McNulty, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Clark,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill,