Mr. Slaughter moved that we proceed to ballot for a United States Senator for the short term, ending March 4, 1905,

## Which motion

Prevailed.

The Clerks were directed to call the rolls of their 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, absent.
- Mr. Blakely, of the Senate, absent.
- Mr. Brasure, of the Senate, absent.
- Mr. Clements, of the Senate, absent.
- Mr. Ellison, of the Senate, absent.
- Mr. Farlow, of the Senate, absent.
- Mr. Groves, of the Senate, absent.
- Mr. Hart, of the Senate, absent.
- Mr. Harrington, of the Senate, absent.
- Mr. Knox, of the Senate, absent.
- Mr. Maull, of the Senate, absent.
- Mr. McFarlane, of the Senate, absent.
- Mr. McNulty, of the Senate, absent.
- Mr. Pennewill, of the Senate, absent.
- Mr. Slaughter, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Wright, of the Senate, absent.

Mr. President pro tem., of the Senate, absent.

Mr. Aron, of the House, absent.

Mr. Baynard, of the House, absent.

Mr. Chandler, of the House, absent.

Mr. Clark, of the House, absent.

Mr. Clendaniel, of the House, absent.

Mr. Dayett, of the House, absent.

Mr. Ewing, of the House, absent.

Mr. Flinn, of the House, absent.

Mr. Gooden, of the House, absent.

Mr. Hardesty, of the House, absent.

Mr. Hearn, of the House, absent.

Mr. Healey, of the House, absent.

Mr. Hitchen, of the House, absent.

Mr. Hodgson, of the House, absent.

Mr. Holcomb, of the House, absent.

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

Mr. Hutchinson, of the House, absent.

Mr. Layton, of the House, absent.

Mr. Long, of the House, absent.

Mr. Monaghan, of the House, absent.

Mr. Moore, of the House, absent.

Mr. Pepper, of the House, absent.

Mr. Pilling, of the House, absent.

Mr. Prettyman, of the House, absent.

Mr. Ralph, of the House, absent.

Mr. Robertson, of the House, absent.

Mr. Shallcross, of the House, absent.

Mr. Short, of the House, absent.

Mr. Scotten, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Vinyard, of the House, absent.

Mr. Warren, of the House, absent.

Mr. West, of the House, absent.

Mr. White, of the House, absent.

Mr. Wright, of the House, absent.

Mr. Speaker, of the House, absent.

The vote as above ascertained having been announced as follows:

For John Edward Addicks, two votes.

For Willard Saulsbury, two votes.

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Total, four votes.

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. Slaughter, of the Senate, the two Houses separated, and the members of the Senate returned to their chamber.

Thre being no quorum present the House adjourned until Monday, February 11, 1901, 10.30 A. M.

Dover, Del., February 11th, 1901—11 o'clock A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Gooden, Hardesty, Hearn, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Short, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.

All members present.

Journal read and approved.

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

"An Act for the improvement of the school-houses for colored children in this State, and making an appropriation therefor."

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

"An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to reincorporate the town of Milford,' and the several amendatory acts thereto."

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

"An Act authorizing the Town Council of the town of Milford to borrow fifteen thousand dollars for street improvement and payment of outstanding debts."

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

"An Act to amend Section 22, of Chapter 83, of the Revised Code, as amended in 1893, entitled 'Of conveyances,' in relation to the satisfaction of mortgages by a corporation or its duly constituted attorney."

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

"An Act for the propagation and protection of fish."

Mr. Hope, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations,

To whom had been refered the bill,

(H. B. No. 65), entitled

"An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Ferris Reform School,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Chandler, on behalf of the Committee on Crimes and Punishment.

To whom had been referred the bill,

(S. B. No. 31), entitled

"An Act for the suppression of gambling by means of slot machines or other devices,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Chandler, on behalf of the Committee on Crimes and Punishment,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(S. B. No. 8), entitled

"An Act to abolish the pillory,"

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the bill,

(H. B. No. 127), entitled

"An Act to allow the Mayor and Council of New Castle to issue bonds for certain purposes,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Pepper, the bill,

(H. B. No. 133), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 765, Volume 19, of the Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to reincorporate the town of Georgetown,, curtailing the limits, changing the corporate title, and increasing the appropriation from the Levy Court,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Shallcross, the bill,

(H. B. No. 134), entitled

"An Act giving the consent of the State of Delaware to the cutting of the county road in Appoquinimink hundred, in New Castle county, by a new cut-off of Appoquinimink River, near Fennimore's Landing,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. White, House Bill No. 46, entitled

"An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act for the protection and preservation of game and game fish,' providing that geese and ducks shall not be sold or carried out of the State unless a license is first had and obtained,"

With Senate amendment.

On motion of Mr. White, the amendment was read.

And on his further motion was adopted.

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 year and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas 30.

Nays, none.

Absent—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Gooden, Hardesty and Hearn.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendment having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Clark, the bill,

(H. B. No. 71), entitled

"An Act appropriating ninety-nine dollars to Edward Fowler, the late Insurance Commissioner,"

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Hardesty, Hearn, Healey, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallvross Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 32.

Nays, none.

Absent-Messrs. Gooden, Hitchen and Hope.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ewing, the bill,

(S. B. No. 49), entitled

"An Act to prohibit the catching of fish in Silver Lake, near Dover, except with hook and line,"

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Flinn, Hardesty, Hearn, Healey, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson Shallcross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 32.

Nays, none.

Absent-Messrs. Gooden, Hitchen and Monaghan.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. Hitchen, the bill,

(H. B. No. 84), entitled

"An Act in relation to the sale of drugs and chemicals in this State, and providing for a State Board of Pharmacy,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the bill,

(H. B. No. 123), entitled

"An Act to create a new election district in New Castle hundred in New Castle County and to establish a polling place therein,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Hodgson, the bill,

(H. B. No. 39), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 462, of Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, relating to fishing in Drummond's Mill Pond, otherwise known as Silver Lake, and Noxentown Mill Pond, in New Castle County, by changing the size of mesh of nets to be used,"

As amended,

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs, Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Hardesty, Hearn, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Hope, Holcomb, Layton, Long, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 32.

Nays, none.

Absent—Messrs. Gooden, Hutchinson, Monaghan, Scotten.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Senate Joint Resolution No. 14, entitled

"Joint resolution to amend a joint resolution authorizing the publication of the reports of the Chancellor, by authorizing the publication therewith of appeals from the Chancellor," And presented the same to the House.

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

House Bill No. 97, entitled

"An Act to renew the charter of Artisan's Savings Bank, a corporation of the State of Delaware."

House Bill No. 25, entitled

"An Act to authorize the Town Council of the town of Dover to pass ordinances preventing the erection of wooden buildings on Loockerman street in said town."

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. Cain, 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. 37, entitled and the senate and the

"An Act providing for a crew of the watch boat for protection of oysters of the State, and fixing their salaries."

Senate Bill No. 54, entitled

"An Act in relation to the collection of taxes for Sussex County,"

Senate Bill No. 55, entitled

"An Act providing that the official ballots shall hereafter be marked by the voter, when indicating his choice of candidates, with an indelible black lead pencil or indelible black crayon," And presented the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson, the bill,

(H. B. No. 128), entitled

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

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Vinyard, the bill,

(H. B. No. 129), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 480, of Volume 13, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the town of Harrington,' by increasing the amount to be raised by taxation, and to provide for taxing vacant lots in said town,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the bill,

(H. B. No. 130), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 166, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to raise revenue for the State,' by taxing certain corporations,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the bill,

(H. B. No. 131), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 24, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, as supplemented by Chapter 364, Volume 14, Laws of

Delaware, and as amended by Chapters 10 and 11, Volume 15, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to raise revenue for the State,' by taxing manufacturers and for other purposes,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Shallcross, the bill,

(H. B. No. 132), entitled

"An Act appropriating money to the Delaware Society for the prevention of cruelty to children,"

Was read a first time.

On the further 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 Appropriations.

## JOINT SESSION.

The hour of 12 M. having arrived, the President pro tempore, members, Clerks and Sergeant-at-Arms, of the Senate, being announced, were admitted.

The President pro tempore directed the Clerks to call the rolls of their respective Houses. All members present.

Mr. Harrington moved that the reading of the journals be dispensed with,

Which motion

Prevailed.

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. Clements, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Farlow, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Groves, of the Senate, voted for Anthony Higgins.

Mr. Hart, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Harrington, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Knox, of the Senate, voted for Henry A. duPont.

Mr. Maull, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. McFarlane, of the Senate, voted for Anthony Higgins.

Mr. McNulty, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

Mr. Slaughter, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Wright, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. President pro tem., of the Senate, voted for Henry A. duPont.

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

Mr. Baynard, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

Mr. Chandler, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

Mr. Clark, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

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

Mr. Dayett, of the House, voted for Anthony Higgins.

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

Mr. Flinn, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

Mr. Gooden, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Hardesty, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Hearn, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Healey, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Hitchen, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

Mr. Hodgson, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

Mr. Holcomb, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

Mr. Hutchinson, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

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

Mr. Monaghan, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

Mr. Pepper, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Pilling, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

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

Mr. Ralph, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Robertson, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.

Mr. Shallcross, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

Mr. Scotten, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Vinyard, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Warren, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. West, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

Mr. Wright, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

The vote as above ascertained having been announced as follows:

For John Edward Addicks, sixteen votes.

For Richard R. Kenney, twenty-three votes.

For Anthony Higgins, three votes.

For Henry A. duPont, nine votes.

For Levi C. Bird, one vote.

Total, fifty-two votes.

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.

Mr. Hardesty moved that we proceed to take a ballot for a United States Senator for the short term, ending March 4, 1905,

Which motion

Prevailed.

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. Clements, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Farlow, of the Senate, voted for John G. Gray.

Mr. Groves, of the Senate, voted for William S. Hilles. 35

- Mr. Hart, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
- Mr. Harrington, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Knox, of the Senate, voted for Charles F. Richards.
  - Mr. Maull, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. McFarlane, of the Senate, voted for William S. Hilles.
  - Mr. McNulty, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
- Mr. Pennewill, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Slaughter, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Wright, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
- Mr. President pro tem., of the Senate, voted for Charles F. Richards.
  - Mr. Aron, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Baynard, of the House, voted for Charles F. Richards.
  - Mr. Chandler, of the House, voted for Anthony Higgins.
  - Mr. Clark, of the House, voted for Charles F. Richards.
- Mr. Clendaniel, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Dayett, of the House, voted for William S. Hilles.
  - Mr. Ewing, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Flinn, of the House, voted for Charles F. Richards.

- Mr. Gooden, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
- Mr. Hardesty, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
- Mr. Hearn, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
- Mr. Healey, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
- Mr. Hitchen, of the House, voted for Charles F. Richards.
- Mr. Hodgson, of the House, voted for Charles F. Richards.
- Mr. Holcomb, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
- Mr. Hope, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Hutchinson, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Layton, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Long, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Monaghan, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Moore, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Pepper, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Pilling, of the House, voted for Charles F. Richards.
- Mr. Prettyman, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Ralph, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
- Mr. Robertson, of the House, voted for Charles F. Richards.
  - Mr. Shallcross, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

Mr. Scotten, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Vinyard, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Warren, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. West, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

Mr. Wright, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

The vote as above ascertained having been announced as follows:

For John Edward Addicks, sixteen votes.

For Willard Saulsbury, twenty-two votes.

For John G. Gray, one vote.

For William S. Hilles, three votes.

For Charles F. Richards, nine votes.

For Anthony Higgins, one vote.

Total, fifty-two votes.

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. McNulty, of the Senate, the two Houses

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

Mr. Aron moved that the House take a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Dover, Del., Same Day, February 11, 1901—2.15 P. M.

House met at expiration of recess.

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

"An Act to repeal an act, entitled 'An Act to prevent political parades in the night-time in this State,' being Chapter 383, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, passed at Dover, April 8, 1881."

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

"An Act providing for the submission to the voters of any county, municipality or other taxing district of this State of the question whether or not property then subject to taxation in such county, hundred, municipality or other taxing district shall be exempt from taxation."

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

"An Act providing certain properties shall be exempt from taxation."

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

"An Act to amend Chapter 465, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to amend Chapter 653, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,' by permitting a certain amount of shells and refuse matter to be taken with oysters."

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

"An Act to amend Chapter 87, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to further protect oysters in Broadkiln River and Sound, and in Mispillion River, and in Leipsic River and Simon's Creek,' by changing the license fee to three dollars, exempting Leipsic River and Simon's Creek, and making it unlawful to dredge in the tributaries of Delaware Bay with certain tongs or dredges."

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

"An Act to amend Chapter 500, of Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to authorize the levying of a special tax for shelling the county roads of Broad Creek hundred, Sussex County,' by providing that said oyster-shells may be used on another road running from Laurel, in Little Creek hundred."

Mr. Clark moved that the amendment offered by Mr. Monaghan to House-Bill No. 15 be laid over until Thursday afternoon for further action.

A yea and nay vote being taken, resulted as follows:

Yeas-Messrs. Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Flinn,

Gooden, Long, Moore, Pilling, Prettyman, Short, White, Mr. Speaker—Yeas, 13.

Nays—Messrs. Ewing, Hardesty, Hearn, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hutchinson, Monaghan, Pepper, Prettyman, Robertson, Shallcross, Scotten, Warren, Wright.—Nays, 16.

Absent—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Hope, Layton, Vinyard and West.

The motion to lay over was lost.

Mr. Moore, on behalf of the Committee on Elections,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(S. B. No. 43), entitled

"An Act designating the voting place in the First Election District of Representative District No. 3, of Kent County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Moore, on behalf of the Committee on Elections,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(S. B. No. 44), entitled

"An Act designating the voting place in the Second Election District of Representative District No. 3, of Kent County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Moore, on behalf of the Committee on Elections,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(S. B. No. 41), entitled

"An Act repealing Chapter 159, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act designating the voting place in the First Election District of Representative District No. 3, of Kent County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Moore, on behalf of the Committee on Elections,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(S. B. No. 42), entitled

"An Act repealing Chapter 160, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act designating the voting place in the Second Election District of Representative District No. 3, of Kent County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

On motion of Mr. Moore, the bill,

(S. B. No. 41), entitled

"An Act repealing Chapter 159, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act designating the voting place in the First Election District of Representative District No. 3, of Kent County,"

Under suspension of Rule 27,

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Ewing, Gooden, Hearn, Healey, Hodgson, Hutchinson, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Scotten, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 24.

Nays, none.

Absent—Messrs. Dayett, Flinn, Hardesty, Hitchen, Holcomb, Hope, Layton, Pepper, Vinyard, Warren, West.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. Moore, the bill,

(S. B. No. 42), entitled

"An Act repealing Chapter 160, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act designating the voting place in the Second Election District of Representative District No. 3, in Kent County,'"

Under suspension of Rule 27,

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 year and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Ewing, Gooden, Hearn, Healey, Hodgson, Hutchinson, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Srort, Scotten, Vinyard, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker—Yeas, 26.

Nays, none.

Absent—Messrs. Dayett, Flinn, Hardesty, Hitchen, Holcomb, Hope, Layton, Warren, West.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. Moore, the bill,

(S. B. No. 43), entitled

"An Act designating the voting place in the First Election District of Representative District No. 3, of Kent County,"

Under suspension of Rule 27,

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas.—Messrs. Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Gooden, Hardesty, Healey, Hodgson, Hutchinson, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 26.

Nays, none.

Absent—Messrs. Aron, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Hearn, Hitchen, Holcomb, Hope, Layton.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. Moore, the bill,

(S. B. No. 44), entitled

'An Act designating the voting place in the Second Election District of Representative District No. 3, of Kent County,"

Under suspension of Rule 27,

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett Ewing, Hardesty, Hearn, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker—Yeas, 32.

Nays, none.

Absent-Messrs. Flinn, Gooden and Monaghan.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. Clark, the bill,

(H. B. No. 117), entitled

"An Act providing for a patrol boat at Delaware City for the apprehension of persons fishing for shad contrary to law."

Was read a second time, by its title,

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

On motion of Mr. Ewing, the bill,

(S. B. No. 31), entitled

"An Act for the suppression of gambling by means of slot machines or other devices,"

Under suspension of Rule 27,

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Gooden, Hearn, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Layton, Long, Hoore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas 30.

Nays, none.

Absent—Messrs. Flinn, Hardesty, Healey, Hutchinson and Monaghan.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. Hope, the bill,

(H. B. No. 90), entitled

"An Act to amend Section 31, of Chapter 106, of the Revised Code, as amended by Chapter 32, Volume 13, Laws of Delaware, relating to unincorporated associations of persons doing business in this State, by fixing a penalty for violation of the provisions of said section,"

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clendaniel, Dayett, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 28.

Nays, none.

Absent—Messrs. Clark, Ewing, Flinn, Gooden, Hardesty, Hearn, Monaghan.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Healey, the bill,

(H. B. No. 118), entitled

"An Act requiring railway companies whose cars are propelled by electricity or cable to pave from curb to curb all streets on which tracks are laid in the city of Wilmington,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Vinyard, the bill,

(H. B. No. 112), entitled

"An Act providing for a theatre license,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Ralph, the bill,

(H. B. No. 124), entitled

"An Act appropriating seventy-nine dollars and twenty-six cents to pay Andrew J. Horsey, Columbus Watkins and John S. Harrington, commissioners, under Chapter 515, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the bill,

(H. B. No. 130), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 166, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled "An Act to raise revenue for the State,' by taxing certain corporations,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Robertson,

Rule 12 was supended 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. Robertson, the bill,

(H. B. No. 131), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 24, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, as supplemented by Chapter 364, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, as amended by Chapters 10 and 11, Volume 15, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to raise revenue for the State by taxing manufacturers,' and for other purposes,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Robertson,

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. Ralph, the bill,

(H. B. No. 135), entitled

"An Act to protect the owners of timber in Sussex County,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. West, the bill,

(H. B. No. 136), entitled

"An Act changing the voting place in the election district of the Fourth Representative District of Sussex County,"

Was read a first time.

By request of Mr. Scotten, House Bill No. 110 was withdrawn.

Mr. Hutchinson moved that House Bill No. 101 be recommitted to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Wright, the bill,

(H. B. No. 137), entitled

"An Act for the protection of sheep in Kent County,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Shallcross, the bill,

(H. B. No. 140), entitled at a least open and a second

"An Act taxing oil wagons for the maintenance of county roads and bridges,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Shallcross, the bill,

(H. B. No. 141), entitled

"An Act authorizing the taxation of railway companies for the building and repair of county bridges over which such railway companies lay tracks," Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Shallcross, the bill,

(H. B. No. 142), entitled

"An Act providing for non-partisan state boards,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Hearn, the bill,

(H. B. No. 143), entitled

"An Act authorizing a special tax to provide a special fund for the purchase of oyster-shells for the county roads of the First Election District of the Third Representative District of Sussex County,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Hearn,

Rules 7 and 12 were 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.

On motion of Mr. Clark, the bill,

(S. B. No. 20), entitled

"An Act providing for the commencement of action exdelicto by foreign attachment process,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Prettyman, the bill,

(H. B. No. 138), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 750, Section 3, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the town of Millsboro,' by striking out the provision thereof giving a vote for each dollar or fractional part thereof of taxes paid,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Layton, the bill,

(H. B. No. 75), entitled

"An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the town of Bridgeville,'"

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Clark, Ewing, Hearn, Holcomb, Hope, Long, Prettyman, Shallcross, Short, Vinyard, White, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 13.

Nays—Messrs. Gooden, Hutchinson, Layton, Pepper, Ralph, Robertson, Warren, West, Wright.—Nays, 9.

Absent—Messrs. Baynard, Chandler, Clendaniel, Dayett, Flinn, Hardesty, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Monaghan, Moore, Pilling, Scotten.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared not adopted.

On motion of Mr. Vinyard, the bill,

(H. B. No. 139), entitled

"An Act regulating the use of county roads by wagons, requiring such wagons to have tires of certain width,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the bill,

(H. B. No. 125), entitled

"An Act in relation to the Department of Elections for the city of Wilmington,"

Was read a second time, by its title

And referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the bill,

(H. B. No. 120), entitled

"An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to establish the New Castle County Workhouse,"

Was read a second time, by its title

And referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the bill,

(S. B. No. 34), entitled

"An Act to reincorporate the town of Laurel,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Robertson,

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. Scotten, the bill,

(H. B. No. 146), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 465, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to amend Chapter 653, Volume 19, of the Laws of Delaware,' by permitting a certain amount of shells and refuse matter to be taken with oysters,"

Under suspension of Rule 7,

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Hope, the bill,

(H. B. No. 145), entitled

"An Act to provide a normal school course of training for teachers in the public schools of Delaware,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Warren, the bill,

(H. B. No. 144), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 487, of Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to reincorporate the town of Milton,' by changing the place of holding the town election,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Scotten, the bill,

(H. B. No. 147), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 87, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to further protect oysters in Broadkiln River and Sound, and in Mispillion River, and in Leipsic River and Simon's Creek,' by changing the license fee to three dollars, exempting Leipsic River and Simon's Creek, and making it unlawful to dredge in the tributaries of Delaware Bay with certain tongs or dredges,"

Under suspension of Rule No. 7,

Was read a first time.

Mr. Ewing moved that the House adjourn until 10.30 o'clock, February 12, 1901,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Dover, Del., February 12th, 1901—10.40 o'clock A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Gooden, Hardesty, Hearn, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.

All members present.

Journal read and approved.

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

"An Act authorizing the appointment of bailiffs of the Superior Court, Court of General Sessions, and the Court of Oyer and Terminer of New Castle County."

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

"An Act to amend Chapter 239, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, relating to the Delaware Industrial School for Girls."

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

"An Act to amend the act to divide, consolidate, and incorporate School Districts Nos. 28 and 121, in Sussex County."

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

"An Act to appropriate certain money to the Commissioners of School District No. 112, in New Castle County, for the purpose of building a school-house."

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

"An Act to change the voting place in the Second Election District of the Eleventh Representative District in New Castle County."

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

"An Act authorizing the appointment of a Deputy Coroner by the Coroner of New Castle County."

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

"An Act to amend Chapter 148, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act fixing the salary of the Coroner of New Castle County, as amended by Chapter 224, Volume 17, and as further amended by Chapter 203, Volume 21,' by increasing the salary of the Coroner of New Castle County."

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

"An Act in relation to municipal elections in the city of Wilmington."

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

"An Act to amend Section 8, Chapter 600, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, in so far as it concerns 'sale of New Jersey products.'"

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

"An Act in relation to peddlers' license within the County of New Castle."

Mr. Cain, 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. 28, entitled

"An Act to repeal Chapter 217, of Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to amend Chapter 39, Revised Statutes, concerning religious societies,' and restoring the provisions stricken out by said act."

Senate Bill No. 40, entitled

"An Act providing for inspectors to hold elections in the Second and Third Election Districts of the Tenth Representative District of Sussex County."

Senate Bill No. 51, entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 62, of the Revised Code, by decreasing the amount of official bond required to be given by wreck masters."

Senate bill No. 52, entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 22, Volume 21, of the Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act reorganizing the Levy Court of Kent County,' and defining its powers and duties."

And presented the same to the House.

Mr. Robertson moved that the vote on House Bill No. 75 be reconsidered,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Robertson moved that House Bill No. 75 be recommitted to the Committee on Municipal Corporations,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Cain, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had adopted and requested the concurrence of the House in the following joint resolutions:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 16, entitled

Joint Resolution appointing directors on the part of the State for the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware, at Georgetown."

Senate Joint Resolution No. 17, entitled

"Joint resolution appointing directors on the part of the State for the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware, at Dover."

And presented the same to the House.

Mr. Cain, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House joint resolution:

House Joint Resolution No. 10, entitled

"Joint resolution appointing directors for the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware for the branch at Wilmington."

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Ewing, the bill,

(H. B. No. 148), entitled

"An Act for the improvement of the school-houses for colored children in this State, and making an appropriation therefor,"

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 Education.

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

House Bill No. 97, entitled

"An Act to renew the charter of Artisan's Savings Bank, a corporation of the State of Delaware."

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the bill,

(H. B. No. 85), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 209, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation butter,' by striking out Section 4 of said act, requiring a placard on tubs, etc., and inserting the same in Section 1 thereof,"

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Gooden, Hardesty, Hearn, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 33.

Nays, none.

Absent—Messrs. Prettyman and Scotten.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Baynard, the bill,

(H. B. No. 114), entitled

"An Act appropriating one hundred dollars to defray the expenses of holding the Colored Teachers' Institute,"

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Gooden, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Robertson, Shallcross, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 31.

Nays, none.

Absent-Messrs. Hardesty, Hearn, Ralph and Short.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hitchen, the bill,

(H. B. No. 108), entitled

"An Act to regulate the employment of railroad telegraph operators,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business

On motion of Mr. White, the bill,

(H. B. No. 149), entitled

"An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to reincorporate the town of Milford', and the several amendatory acts thereto,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Monaghan, the bill,

(H. B. No. 15), entitled

"An Act to amend Section 17, Chapter 418, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, and providing for a division of the moneys arising from licenses for sale of intoxicating liquors,"

As amended,

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Baynard, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Hardesty, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hutchinson, Layton, Monaghan, Pepper, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Scotten, Warren, West.—Yeas, 19.

Nays-Messrs. Aron, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Gooden,

Hearn, Hope, Long, Moore, Pilling, Short, Vinyard, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Nays, 15.

Absent-Mr. Prettyman.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared adopted, as amended,

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

## JOINT SESSION.

The hour of 12 M. having arrived, the President pro tempore, members, Clerks and Sergeant-at-Arms, of the Senate, being announced, were admitted.

The President pro tempore directed the Clerks to call the rolls of their respective Houses. All members present.

Mr. Harrington moved that the reading of the journals be dispensed with,

Which motion

Prevailed.

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. Clements, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
- Mr. Farlow, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
- Mr. Groves, of the Senate, voted for Anthony Higgins.
- Mr. Hart, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
- Mr. Harrington, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. Knox, of the Senate, voted for Henry A. duPont.
  - Mr. Maull, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. McFarlane, of the Senate, voted for Anthony Higgins.
  - Mr. McNulty, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
- Mr. Pennewill, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Slaughter, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. Wright, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
- Mr. President pro tem., of the Senate, voted for Henry A. duPont.
  - Mr. Aron, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Baynard, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.
  - Mr. Chandler, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.
  - Mr. Clark, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.
  - Mr. Clendaniel, of the House, voted for John Edward Ad-
  - Mr. Dayett, of the House, voted for Anthony Higgins.

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

Mr. Flinn, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

Mr. Gooden, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Hardesty, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Hearn, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Healey, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Hitchen, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

Mr. Hodgson, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

Mr. Holcomb, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

Mr. Hutchinson, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

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

Mr. Monaghan, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

Mr. Pepper, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Pilling, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

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

Mr. Ralph, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Robertson, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.

Mr. Shallcross, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

Mr. Scotten, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Vinyard, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Warren, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. West, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

Mr. Wright, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

The vote as above ascertained having been announced as follows:

For John Edward Addicks, sixteen votes.

For Richard R. Kenney, twenty-three votes.

For Anthony Higgins, three votes.

For Henry A. duPont, nine votes.

For Levi C. Bird, one vote.

Total, fifty-two votes.

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.

Mr. Harrington moved that we proceed to take a ballot for a United States Senator for the short term, ending March 4, 1905,

Which motion

Prevailed.

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. Clements, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Farlow, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Groves, of the Senate, voted for William S. Hilles.

Mr. Hart, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Harrington, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Knox, of the Senate, voted for Charles F. Richards.

Mr. Maull, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. McFarlane, of the Senate, voted for William S. Hilles.

Mr. McNulty, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

- Mr. Pennewill, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Slaughter, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Wright, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
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  - Mr. Aron, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Baynard, of the House, voted for Charles F. Richards.
  - Mr. Chandler, of the House, voted for Anthony Higgins.
  - Mr. Clark, of the House, voted for Charles F. Richards.
- Mr. Clendaniel, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Dayett, of the House, voted for William S. Hilles.
  - Mr. Ewing, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Flinn, of the House, voted for Charles F. Richards.
  - Mr. Gooden, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Hardesty, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Hearn, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Healey, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Hitchen, of the House, voted for Anthony Higgins.
  - Mr. Hodgson, of the House, voted for Charles F. Richards.
  - Mr. Holcomb, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

- Mr. Hope, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Hutchinson, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Layton, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Long, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Monaghan, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Moore, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Pepper, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Pilling, of the House, voted for Charles F. Richards.
- Mr. Prettyman, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Ralph, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
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  - Mr. Shallcross, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Short, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Scotten, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Vinyard, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Warren, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. West, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. White, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Wright, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

The vote as above ascertained having been announced as follows:

For John Edward Addicks, sixteen votes.

For Willard Saulsbury, twenty-three votes.

For William S. Hilles, three votes.

For Charles F. Richards, eight votes.

For Anthony Higgins, two votes.

Total, fifty-two votes.

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. McNulty, of the Senate, the two Houses separated, and the members of the Senate returned to their chamber.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the bill,

(H. B. No. 150), entitled

"An Act providing for the submission to the voters of any county, municipality or other taxing district of this State of the question whether or not property then subject to taxation in such county, hundred, municipality or other taxing district shall be exempt from taxation,"

Was read a first time.

Mr. Hutchinson moved that the House take a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Dover, Del., Same Day, February 12, 1901—2.35 P. M.

House met at expiration of recess.

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

"An Act for the protection of foxes in this State."

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

"An Act making dogs personal property, and providing for their assessment as such."

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

"An Act providing for and regulating the collection of taxes in New Castle County."

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

"An Act providing for the satisfaction of mortgages and judgments when the mortgagee or obligee or their executors,

administrators or assigns refuse or neglect to enter such satisfaction within sixty days after said mortgages or judgments have been paid."

Mr. White presented the following report from the Insurance Commissioner,

Which, on his motion,

Was ordered placed in the journal.

## TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

## Gentlemen:-

It is incumbent upon the Insurance Commissioner "to report to each regular session of the General Assembly, on or before the twentieth day of February, the receipts and expenses of his department for the two years previous," etc., Chapter 347, Volume 14, Section 2, paragraph eighth, Laws of Delaware.

The term of office for which my predecessor was commissioned was curtailed three months by the amended Constitution, and, as he is not in office, he holds to the opinion that it is not his duty to make a report to the General Assembly. That there shall be no derelection on the part of the present Commissioner of Insurance, I herewith beg to report that I took the oath of office on January first, nineteen hundred and one, and between that date and January twenty-fourth I received the books, papers and seal of the department, and the blank licenses and certificates of authority to agents and companies, the latter obtained from the present Secretary of State.

From the books of my office, as audited by the Auditor of Accounts, from October first, 1898, to January 1st, 1901, I find the amount turned over to the State Treasury was \$38,823.81, exclusive of the salary of the Commissioner.

There is no record of the expenses of the office.

I hold that I am not the proper person to report the official acts of my predecessor.

The biennial report of a former Commissioner, Peter K. Meredith, Esq., was not authorized to be published, and the reports of my immediate predecessor have never been prepared, as they were not authorized to be published by the last General Assembly.

I would be pleased to know what is the wish of the General Assembly as to the publication of these last three reports.

Within the past twelve days I, as Insurance Commissioner, have already received \$11,721.68 and deposited the same in the Farmers' Bank at Dover; and as no contingency fund was turned over to me by my predecessor, and as yet none has been provided by law for this department, I have myself furnished thirty dollars for postage stamps, and about forty dollars of United States documentary stamps, besides defraying other expenses of stationery, printing, etc., and the expense of clerk hire.

On a careful study of the insurance laws, I find they are defective and at times inconsistent with the requirements of the business of insurance and with one another.

The general law organizing the Department of Insurance in Delaware was passed by the Legislature in 1879; subsequent legislation have amended the law and given special privileges to certain companies, which materially conflict with the general law, and, in the opinion of the present Attorney-General, supervene the general law.

The Insurance Law specifies that the Insurance Commissioner shall grant certificates of authority to Delaware companies only when they shall have a paid up capital of one hundred thousand dollars. The General Assembly, at dates later than the passage of the General Insurance Law, have at vari-

ous times granted special charters to insurance companies, authorizing them to issue policies and transact business with a paid up capital of less than one hundred thousand dollars; and some instances as low as twenty-five thousand dollars "in cash or good securities," and one company has been authorized to do business on a capital of five thousand dollars.

The Chancellor has ruled that the measure of the duties of these companies is contained in their charters. Because one General Assembly must have equal powers with any other General Assembly, and as the Acts of Incorporation are the later, they are, therefore, the conclusive announcement of the will of the law-making body.

The Insurance Commissioner, as I understand and interpret the laws, acts under the authority of the Insurance Law, therefore, he cannot grant regular licenses to those companies which do not comply therewith.

The Insurance Commissioner cannot prevent these companies from doing business, because they have complied with their charter, therefore, these companies, so organized, are under no direct supervision.

I would respectfully recommend that these apparent and other inconsistencies be obviated, which, in my judgment, can be done by an act revising and re-enacting the General Insurance Laws of Delaware.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W.MARSHALL,
Insurance Commissioner.

The following recommendations and report from the Grand Jury of New Castle County was presented by Mr. Robertson,

And, on his motion,

Were read and spread upon the journal.

To the Honorable, the Judges of the Court of General Sessions of the State of Delaware, in and for New Castle County:

The Grand Jury of New Castle County, beginning with the May Term, A. D., 1900, and ending with the present term, respectfully submits the following report:—

The Attorney-General presented one hundred and seventyeight bills, of which number one hundred and sixty-eight were returned as true bills, and ten were ignored.

In our examination of these bills we found a great many of them for minor offences, and would recommend that the General Assembly make provision for the transfer of such cases to the Municipal Court, where speedy trials could be had at a small expense, compared with the present system.

The Grand Jury have made examination of the Court House building and would recommend that the inclosure within the bar, and also the Judges' Room be recarpeted, and that additional chairs be provided for the use of jurors. We also recommend that the sanitary arrangements of the building be attended to. We desire also to call attention to the rooms on the third floor, which are assigned for the use of jurors. The rooms should be heated and ventilated and some one directed to look after them. We would recommend that the building be thoroughly renovated and cleaned. The sleeping accommodations for prisoners, in the basement, should also receive attention. While the officers in charge of prisoners were found attentive to their duties, they are seriously embarrassed by the large number of visitors who are permitted to visit the prisoners while they are detained there awaiting trial. This privilege should be restricted and more discretion should be exercised in allowing people to visit this apartment while prisoners are confined there.

The Grand Jury also recommend that the court bailiffs and tipstaves should be uniformed while in the performance of their duty in order that persons visiting the court-room could recognize and respect their authority. We recommend that an office be provided for the Coroner in the Court House uilding.

We are of the opinion that some place other than the courtroom, while the Court is in session, should be provided to pay witness fees.

In pursuance of our duties, the Grand Jury visited the Almshouse at Farnhurst and the County Jail; also the new Workhouse and the Ferris Reform School.

The visit to the Workhouse was made on November 22d. 1000. The Board of Trustees, under whose direction the buildings are being erected, were present and accompanied the jury in their tour of inspection. The various details and arrangements were pointed out and explained, and the judgment of the members was that the buildings were splendidly adapted for the purpose and would fully meet the expectations of the people, who have repeatedly expressed the desire that a proper institution should be provided for the care and custody of the county prisoners. This institution will not only provide for the detention of criminals, but is making arrangements whereby prisoners will be obliged to work. We therefore recommend that a stone-breaker be erected on the premises and the crushed stone be used to improve the public roads of the county. After an examination of the building and premises, we approve of the request of the trustees for an additional appropriation for the completion of the buildings and furnishing the same.

The visit to the County Almshouse was made on November 28th. This institution was found to be in splendid condition, and evidence of careful management on the part of those in charge was apparent in every department. We desire to state that the efforts of the trustees in establishing a hospital in

connection with the institution meets our approval and should prove a great benefit.

The jury visited the County Jail, at New Castle, on December 13th. We found the place in as good condition as it is possible to make it under the circumstances, but as has before been expressed in previous reports, it is entirely inadequate and unsuitable for the number of prisoners confined there. The condition of the jail fully justifies the erection of the new Workhouse, and, in our judgment, the change cannot be made too soon.

On December 20th a visit was made to the Ferris Industrial School. This institution was found to be in excellent condition and reflects credit upon the management. The boys had every appearance of good treatment, and besides a well-conducted school for their education and advancement, they have excellent opportunities of learning useful occupations in the manual training department. More buildings are needed to accommodate the increasing number of inmates, whereby the trustees could more efficiently carry on the work. In our judgment an institution of this character, when properly managed, should accomplish great good in the community.

During the past year complaint was made to the Grand Jury of gross irregularities of expenditure by the Levy Court Commissioners. The matter was carefully considered and the Grand Jury are of the opinion that such charges should be made to the Legislature, who have full power and authority to make a thorough investigation.

P. A. HORTY, Foreman.

F. B. WATKINS, Secretary.

(Attest)

W. F. QUIGLEY, Clerk of the Peace.

February 8, 1901.

Mr. Moore, on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Taxation,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 109), entitled

"An Act fixing the manner in which real property shall be assessed in this State,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Robertson, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(S. B. No. 30), entitled

"An Act to enable the town of Laurel to refund its debts by borrowing money and issuing bonds,"

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 bill,

(H. B. No. 35), entitled

"An Act to prohibit the killing of gray squirrels except between the first day of September and the thirty-first day of December,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hope,, on behalf of the Committee on Corporations,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 66), entitled

"An Act requiring banks and other corporations to publish notice of unclaimed dividends, deposits and balances in certain cases,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 88), entitled

"An Act supplemental to Chapter 247, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, approved March 16, 1899, governing the employment of persons confined in the New Castle County Workhouse,"

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

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

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 103), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 17, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware, entitled an act to amend an act entitled, 'An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Milford Armory,'" etc.,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Cain, 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. 27, entitled

"An Act to repeal an act, entitled 'An Act in relation to

State Detectives,' approved March 18th, A. D., 1898, being Chapter 64, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware,"

And presented the same to the House.

Mr. Robertson, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 75), entitled

"An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the town of Bridgeville,'" etc.,

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

Mr. Cain, 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. 72, entitled

"An Act authorizing the town of Seaford to build and establish water works and sewer system and to provide for apparatus for extinguishing fires, and to borrow money and issue bonds for the payment therefor,"

And presented the same to the House.

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

Senate Joint Resolution No. 18, entitled

"Joint resolution appointing a joint committee to make arrangements to attend the inauguration of President-elect Mc-Kinley."

Messrs. Abbott and Wright, committee.

And presented the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. White, the bill,

(H B. No. 154), entitled

"An Act authorizing the Town Council of the town of Milford to borrow fifteen thousand dollars for street improvement and payment of outstanding debts,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the bill,

(H. B. No. 151), entitled

"An Act providing certain property shall be exempt from taxation,"

On the further motion of Mr. Holcomb,

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. Layton, the bill,

(S. B. No. 40), entitled

"An Act providing for inspectors to hold elections in the Second and Third Election Districts of the Tenth Representative District of Sussex County,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Layton,

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 of Mr. Clark, the bill,

(S. B. No. 20), entitled

"An Act providing for the commencement of actions exdelicto by foreign attachment process,"

Was read a second time, by its title, which is the second time.

And referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

On motion of Mr. Vinyard, the bill,

(H. B. No. 129), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 480, of Volume 13, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the town of Harrington,' by increasing the amount to be raised by taxation, and to provide for taxing vacant lots in said town,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Hearn, the bill,

(S. B. No. 72), entitled

"An Act authorizing the town of Seaford to build and establish water works and sewer system, and to provide for ap-

paratus for extinguishing fires, and to borrow money and issue bonds for the payment therefor,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Hearn,

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. Holcomb, the bill,

(H. B. No. 150), entitled

"An Act providing for the submission to the voters of any county, municipality or other taxing district of this State of the question whether or not property then subject to taxation in such county, hundred, municipality or other taxing district shall be exempt from taxation,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Holcomb,

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. Layton, the bill,

(S. B. No. 54), entitled

"An Act in relation to the collection of taxes for Sussex County,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Moore, the bill,

(S. B. No. 55), entitled

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

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Moore, the bill,

(S. B. No. 52), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 22, Volume 21, of the Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act reorganizing the Levy Court of Kent County,' and defining its powers and duties,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Healey, the bill,

(H. B. No. 113), entitled

"An Act providing for taxing railway companies in the city of Wilmington for municipal purposes,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Shallcross, the bill,

(H. B. No. 140), entitled

"An Act taxing oil wagons for the maintenance of county roads and bridges,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Layton, the bill,

(H. B. No. 116), entitled

"An Act authorizing and directing the Court of Chancery in and for Sussex County to order and direct the sale of the jail property of Sussex County, and defining the uses and purposes to which the funds thus arising shall be applied,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business

On motion of Mr. Hope, the bill,

(H. B. No. 145), entitled

"An Act to provide a normal school course of training for teachers in the public schools of Delaware,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Shallcross the bill,

(H. B. No. 134), entitled

"An Act giving the consent of the State of Delaware to the cutting of the county road in Appoquinimink hundred, in New Castle County, by a new cut-off of Appoquinimink River, near Fennimore's Landing,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

On motion of Mr. Layton, the bill,

(H. B. No. 105), entitled

"An Act to amend an act in relation to injuries or death occasioned by unlawful violence or negligence, being Chapter 31, Volume 13, of the Laws of Delaware,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Moore, the bill,

(H. B. No. 121), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 25, Volume 21, of the Laws of Delaware, and to abolish the affidavits required in said act,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Prettyman, the bill,

(H. B. No. 138), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 750, Section 3, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the town of Millsboro,' by striking out the provision thereof giving a vote for each dollar or fractional part thereof of taxes paid,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Warren, the bill,

(H. B. No. 144), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 487, of Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to reincorporate the town of Milton,' by changing the place of holding town elections,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of wir. Pepper, the bill,

(H. B. No. 153), entitled

"An Act for the drainage of certain roads in Dagsboro and Gumboro hundreds, Sussex County,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Shallcross, the bill,

(H. B. No. 141), entitled

"An Act authorizing the taxation of railway companies for the building and repair of county bridges over which such railway companies lay tracks,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Shallcross, the bill,

(H. B. No. 142), entitled

"An Act providing for non-partisan State Boards,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

On motion of Mr. Layton, the bill,

(S. B. No. 54), entitled

"An Act relating to the collection of taxes for Sussex County,"

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Layton,

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. Moore, the bill,

(S. B. No. 52), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 22, Volume 21, of the Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act reorganizing the Levy Court of Kent County,' and defining its powers and duties,"

Was read.

On the further motion of Mr. Moore,

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 of Mr. Shallcross, the bill,

(H. B. No. 62), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 754, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act being a supplement to Chapter 36, Volume 12, Laws of Delaware,' entitled 'An Act to incorporate the town of Middletown,' by extending the time within which abatement of taxes will be made,"

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Clark, Clendaniel, Ewing, Gooden, Hardesty, Hearn. Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 26.

Nays, none.

Absent—Messrs. Chandler, Dayett, Flinn, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Prettyman, Short, Scotten.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson, the bill,

(H. B. No. 128), entitled

"An Act authorizing the Levy Courts of the several counties in this State to adopt measures for the destruction of hawks."

Was read a second time, by its title,

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

On motion of Mr. Vinyard, the bill,

(H. B. No. 139), entitled

"An Act regulating the use of county roads by wagons, requiring such wagons to have tires of certain width,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

Mr. Moore presented a Senate joint resolution, entitled

"Joint Resolution No. 18, appointing a joint committee to make arrangements to attend the inauguration of Presidentelect McKinley,"

Which, on his motion, was read.

Mr. Moore moved that the joint resolution be adopted.

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Flinn, Hardesty, Hearn, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Scotten,

Vinyard, Warren, West White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 31.

Nays, none.

Absent-Messrs. Aron, Ewing, Gooden and Hutchinson.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the joint resolution having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate as concurred in.

Mr. Robertson presented a Senate joint resolution, entitled

"Senate Joint Resolution No. 17, appointing directors on the part of the State for the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware, at Dover,"

Which, on his motion, was read.

Mr. Robertson moved that the joint resolution be adopted.

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Hardesty, Hearn, Healey, Hitchen, Holcomb, Hope, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker—Yeas, 31.

Nays, none.

Absent-Messrs. Aron, Gooden, Hodgson and Hutchinson.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the joint resolution having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate as concurred in.

Mr. Robertson presented a Senate joint resolution, entitled

"Senate Joint resolution No. 16, appointing directors on the part of the State for the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware, at Georgetown,"

Which, on his motion, was read.

Mr. Robertson moved that the joint resolution be adopted.

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Baynard, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Flinn, Hardesty, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 30.

Nays, none.

Absent-Messrs. Aron, Chandler, Ewing, Gooden, Hearn.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the joint resolution having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate as concurred in.

Mr. White presented a House joint resolution, entitled

Joint Resolution No. 11.

"Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed, three on the part of the House, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, and two on the part of the Senate, to be appointed by the President of the Senate, to confer with the Insurance Commissioner concerning needed legislation and to make a report of their conclusions to the General Assembly,"

Which, on his motion, was read.

Mr. White moved that the joint resolution be adopted.

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Hope, Holcomb, Hodgson, Layton, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 28.

Nays, none.

Absent—Messrs. Flinn, Gooden, Hardesty, Hearn, Long, Short, West.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the joint resolution having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ralph, the bill,

(H. B. No. 135), entitled

"An Act to protect the owners of timber in Sussex County,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

On motion of Mr. Healey, the bill,

(H. B. No. 12), entitled

"An Act entitled 'An Act authorizing the Board of Education in Wilmington to issue certificates of indebtedness to complete the new High School,"

Was taken up for consideration, and,

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

On motion of Mr. Healey, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Hope, the bill,

(H. B. No. 152), entitled

"An Act repealing Chapter 646, of Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to further amend Chapter 418, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware,' which act so to be repealed

provides for licenses of retailers of goods, wares and merchandise and keepers of inns or taverns to sell liquors in quantities less than one quart, to be drunk off the premises," etc.,

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Scotten, the bill,

(H. B. No. 146), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 465, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to amend Chapter 653, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,' by permitting a certain amount of shells and refuse matter to be taken with oysters,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Warren, the bill,

(H. B. No. 119), entitled

"An Act providing for the designation of certain citizens and voters in Sussex County as Nanticoke Indians in the books of registration,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Baynard, the bill,

(S. B. No. 28), entitled

"An Act to repeal Chapter 217, of Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to amend Chapter 39, Revised Statutes, concerning religious societies,' and restoring the provisions stricken out by said act,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Baynard,

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. Monaghan, the bill,

(S. B. No. 5), entitled

"An Act relating to the attachment of vessels,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Monaghan,

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.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the bill,

(H. B. No. 151), entitled

"An Act providing that certain property shall be exempt from taxation,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Layton, the bill,

(H. B. No. 122), entitled

"An Act authorizing and directing the Court of Chancery in and for Sussex County to order and direct the sale of all the public lands belonging to Sussex County, within the town of Georgetown, not used by and occupied for county or municipal purposes, and defining the uses and purposes to which the funds thus arising shall be applied,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

On motion of Mr. Wright, the bill,

(H. B. No. 137), entitled

"An Act for the protection of sheep in Kent County,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Baynard, the bill,

(S. B. No. 51), entitled

"An Act amending Chapter 62, of the Revised Code, by decreasing the amount of official bond required to be given by wreck masters,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Baynard,

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. Baynard, the bill,

(S. B. No. 37), entitled

"An Act providing for a crew of the watch-boat for protection of oysters of the State, and fixing their salaries,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Baynard,

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.

On motion of Mr. Baynard, the bill,

(S. B. No. 38), entiled

"An Act to amend Chapter 379, of Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to prevent the spread of contagious or infectious pleuro-pneumonia among the cattle of this State,' by making the provisions of said act apply to tuber-culosis,"

Was read a first time:

On the further motion of Mr. Baynard,

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. Baynard, the bill,

(S. B. No. 39), entitled

"An Act to repeal Chapter 175, of Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act regulating the expenditure by the Agricultural Society of the State of Delaware of moneys appropriated to said Society by an act of the present session of the General Assembly, entitled 'An Act appropriating fifteen hundred dollars annually to the Agricultural Society of the State of Delaware,' to be used in encouraging and promoting agriculture, horticulture and domestic arts by the citizens of this State,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Baynard,

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. Baynard, the bill,

(S. B. No. 23), entitled

"An Act in relation to Ninth street, west of Market street, in the city of Wilmington, prohibiting street cars thereon,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Baynard,

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. Baynard, the bill,

(S. B. No. 35), entitled

"An Act to repeal Chapter 174, of Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act appropriating fifteen hundred dollars annually to the Agricultural Society of the State of Delaware,' to be used in encouraging and promoting agriculture, horticulture and the domestic arts by the citizens of this State,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Baynard,

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. Scotten, the bill,

(H. B. No. 147), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 87, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to further protect oysters in Broadkiln River and Sound, and in Mispillion River, and in Leipsic River and Simon's Creek,' by changing the license fee to three dollers, exempting Leipsic River and Simon's Creek, and making it unfawful to dredge in the tributaries of Delaware Bay with certain tongs or dredges,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game

On motion of Mr. West, the bill,

(H. B. No. 136), entitled

"An Act changing the voting place in the election district of the Fourth Representative District of Sussex County,"

Was read a second time, by its title

And referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Layton moved that the House adjourn until 10.30 A. M., February 13th, 1901,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Dover, Del., February 13th, 1901—10.40 o'clock A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain,

Roll called. Members present—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Gooden, Hardesty, Hearn, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.

All members present.

Reading of the journal dispensed with.

Mr. Holcomb presented the following resolution,

Which, on his motion, was read,

And further, on his motion, was adopted.

"Resolved, That the Printing Committee be instructed to have printed 1,000 copies of letters addressed to the General Assembly by the Hon. John Biggs and A. N. Brown, Esq., said letters to be in one pamphlet—Mr. Biggs's letter first and Mr. Brown's following it."

Mr. Healey moved that the Printing Committee be instructed to have 200 copies of House Bill No. 118 printed.

Which motion

Prevailed.

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

"An Act to allow the Commissioners of Public School District No. 110, in New Castle, to borrow a sum of money not to exceed one thousand dollars, for the purpose of erecting a school-house."

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

"An Act to authorize the Town Council of Georgetown to levy a special tax for the support of the water works and light plant of the town of Georgetown."

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

"An Act authorizing and appointing a Board of Light and Water Commissioners for the town of Georgetown, which shall establish, control and regulate a light plant and water works, prescribing the duties and powers of said board, and providing for the election of their successors."

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

"An Act authorizing the Town Council of Georgetown to borrow money and issue bonds to secure the payment thereof for the purpose of providing a supply of water and lights for the town of Georgetown."

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

"An Act to make valid the record of certain deeds and mortgages."

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

"An Act to establish the Sussex County Jail on the Poor Farm, or elsewhere in said county."

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

"An Act to amend Section 3, of the act entitled 'An Act to provide for an additional constable in New Castle County,' approved March 2, 1899, being Chapter 204, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware."

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

"An Act to provide for the appointment of a Chief Officer of Fish and Fisheries, and to define his powers and duties."

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

"An Act for the further protection of timber and other property from destruction by fire in Sussex County."

Mr. Dayett, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 52), entiled

"An Act providing for the establishment and maintenance of free public libraries,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Dayett, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 10), entitled

"An Act to provide for the completion of the New Castle County Workhouse,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Dayett, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 45), entitled

"An Act in relation to the Levy Court of New Castle County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

On motion of Mr. White, the bill,

(H. B. No. 103), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 17, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware, entitled an act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the trustees of the Milford Armory,"

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Gooden, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore Pepper, Pilling, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 29.

Nays, none.

Absent—Messrs. Hardesty, Hearn, Healey, Hitchen, Prettyman, White.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.  $\varsigma$ 

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Flinn, the bill,

(H. B. No. 159). entitled

"An Act to amend Section 22, of Chapter 83, of the Revised Code, in relation to the satisfaction of mortgages by corporations,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Long, the bill,

(H. B. No. 160), entitled

"An Act to amend the act to divide, consolidate and incorporate School Districts Nos. 28 and 121, in Sussex County,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson, the bill,

(S. B. No. 7), entitled

"An Act to provide for the corporal punishment of wife beaters,"

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Chandler, Clendaniel, Dayett, Flinn, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pilling, Prettyman, Warren, West, White, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 20.

Nays—Messrs. Clark, Ewing, Gooden, Hearn, Healey, Pepper, Ralph, Robertson, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Wright.—Nays, 12.

Absent-Messrs. Baynard, Hardesty and Shallcross.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the bill,

(H. B. No. 155), entitled

"An Act in relation to municipal elections to be held in the city of Wilmington,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Robertson,

Rule 12 was supended 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 of Mr. Moore, the bill,

(H. B. No. 158), entitled

"An Act to dispense with the kissing of the Bible in the administering of oaths,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Moore,

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,

(H. B. No. 157), entitled

"An Act limiting the number of bars or places at which intoxicating liquors may be dispensed or sold in any inn or tavern,"

Was read a first time.

Mr. Healey moved that the Printing Committee be authorized to have 300 copies of House Bill No. 155 printed,

Which motion

Prevailed.

The Speaker announced the following House Inaugural Committee:

Messrs. Moore, Flinn and Holcomb.

On motion of Mr. Moore, the bill,

(S. B. No. 55), entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Hodgson, the bill,

(H. B. No. 162), entitled

"An Act for the protection of foxes in this State,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Aron, the bill,

(H. B. No. 156), entitled

"An Act making dogs personal property, and providing for their assesment as such,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Dayett, the bill,

(H. B. No. 163), entitled

"An Act to appropriate certain money to the Commissioners of School District No. 112, in New Castle County, for the purpose of building a new school-house,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Dayett, the bill,

(H. B. No. 164), entitled

"An Act authorizing the appointment of a Deputy Coroner by the Coroner of New Castle County,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Dayett, the bill,

(H. B. No. 165), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 148, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, etc., by increasing the salary of the Coroner of New Castle County,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Ewing, the bill,

(H. B. No. 161), entitled

"An Act to amend Section 3, of the act, entitled 'An Act to provide for an additional constable in New Castle County,'

approved March 2, 1899, being Chapter 204, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware,"

Was read a first time,

Under suspension of Rule 7.

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. Pepper, the bill,

(H. B. No. 133), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 765, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to reincorporate the town of Georgetown,' curtailing the limits, changing the corporate title, and increasing the appropriation from the Levy Court,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Mr. Robertson, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(S. B. No. 72), entitled

"An Act authorizing the town of Seaford to build and establish water works and sewer system, and to provide for apparatus for extinguishing fires, and to borrow money and issue bonds for the payment thereof,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Robertson, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 127), entitled

"An Act to allow the Mayor and Council of New Castle to issue bonds for certain purposes,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

## JOINT SESSION.

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, the President protempore, members, Clerks and Sergeant-at-Arms, of the Senate, being announced, were admitted.

Mr. President pro tempore directed the Clerks to call the rolls of the respective Houses. All members present except Mr. Farlow and Mr. Maull, of the Senate, and Mr. Hardesty, of the House.

Mr. Hutchinson, of the House, moved the reading of the journals be dispensed with,

Which motion

Prevailed.

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:

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. Clements, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Farlow, of the Senate, absent.

Mr. Groves, of the Senate, voted for Anthony Higgins.

Mr. Hart, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Harrington, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Knox, of the Senate, voted for Henry A. duPont.

Mr. Maull, of the Senate, absent.

Mr. McFarlane, of the Senate, voted for Anthony Higgins.

Mr. McNulty, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

Mr. Slaughter, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Wright, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. President pro tem., of the Senate, voted for Henry A. duPont.

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

Mr. Baynard, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

Mr. Chandler, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

Mr. Clark, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

- Mr. Clendaniel, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Dayett, of the House, voted for Anthony Higgins.
  - Mr. Ewing, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Flinn, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.
  - Mr. Gooden, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. Hardesty, of the House, absent.
  - Mr. Hearn, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. Healey, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. Hitchen, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.
  - Mr. Hodgson, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.
- Mr. Holcomb, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. Hope, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Hutchinson, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. Layton, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Long, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Monaghan, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. Moore, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Ralph, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. Robertson, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.

Mr. Pepper, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Pilling, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

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

Mr. Shallcross, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

Mr. Scotten, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Vinyard, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Warren, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. West, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

Mr. Wright, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

The vote as above ascertained having been announced as follows:

For John Edward Addicks, sixteen votes.

For Richard R. Kenney, twenty votes.

For Anthony Higgins, three votes.

For Henry A. duPont, nine votes.

For Levi C. Bird, one vote.

Total, forty-nine votes.

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.

Mr. Knox moved that we proceed to ballot for a United States Senator for the short term, ending March 4, 1905,

Which motion

Prevailed.

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:

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. Clements, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Farlow, of the Senate, absent.

Mr. Groves, of the Senate, voted for William S. Hilles.

Mr. Hart, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Harrington, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Knox, of the Senate, voted for Levi C. Bird.

Mr. Maull, of the Senate, absent.

Mr. McFarlane, of the Senate, voted for William S. Hilles.

Mr. McNulty, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

- Mr. Pennewill, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Slaughter, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Wright, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
- Mr. President pro tem., of the Senate, voted for Levi C. Bird.
  - Mr. Aron, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Baynard, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.
  - Mr. Chandler, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.
- Mr. Clark, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.
- Mr. Clendaniel, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
- Mr. Dayett, of the House, voted for William S. Hilles.
  - Mr. Ewing, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Flinn, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.
  - Mr. Gooden, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Hardesty, of the House, absent.
  - Mr. Hearn, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Healey, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.
  - Mr. Hitchen, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.
  - Mr. Hodgson, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.
  - Mr. Holcomb, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

Mr. Hutchinson, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

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

Mr. Monaghan, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

Mr. Pepper, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Pilling, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.

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

Mr. Ralph, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Robertson, of the House, voted for Charles F. Richards.

Mr. Shallcross, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

Mr. Scotten, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Vinyard, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Warren, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. West, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

Mr. Wright, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

The vote as above ascertained having been announced as follows:

For John Edward Addicks, sixteen votes.

For Willard Saulsbury, twenty votes.

For Levi C. Bird, nine votes.

For Willam S. Hilles, three votes.

For Charles F. Richards, one vote.

Total, forty-nine votes.

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. Blakely, of the Senate, the two Houses separated, and the members of the Senate returned to their chamber.

Mr. Hitchen moved that the House take a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.,

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Which	попоп				Prevailed.

Dover, Del., Same Day, Feb. 13, 1901—2.45 o'clock P. M.

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House met at expiration of recess.

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

"An Act authorizing the Commissioners of the town of Delmar to build and establish water works and to provide for apparatus for extinguishing fires, and to borrow money and issue bonds for the payment therefor."

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

"An Act providing for the preservation of the ballots voted at the Municipal election in the city of Wilmington."

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

"An Act to amend Chapter 99, of the Revised Code, in relation to modes of proceeding."

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

"An Act to reincorporate the town of Lewes."

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

"An Act granting to Flemuel A. Long, John G. Townsend, Jr., Isaiah W. Long and Isaiah C. Long the title of this State to a certain tract of salt marsh."

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

"An Act to make valid certain acts of the Commissioners of Consolidated Districts Nos. 26 and 227, Sussex County."

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

"An Act authorizing the Governor to appoint a Notary

Public for West Dover hundred, Kent County, to reside at or near Hartley."

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

"An Act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional Justice of the Peace for West Dover hundred, Kent County, to reside at or near Hartley."

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

"An Act to amend Chapter 74, of the Revised Code, by striking out all of Section 4 of said chapter, as printed and published on Page 594, by providing that colored people shall not produce certificates of a Justice of the Peace."

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

"An Act to reduce the fee for solemnizing marriages."

Mr. Robertson, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 138), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 750, Section 3, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the town of Millsboro,' by striking out the provision thereof giving a vote for each dollar or fractional part thereof of taxes paid,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Robertson, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 129), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 480, of Volume 13, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the town of Harrington,' by increasing the amount to be raised by taxation, and to provide for taxing vacant lots in said town,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Robertson, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 144), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 487, of Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to reincorporate the town of Milton,' by changing the place of holding town elections,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Baynard, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(S. B. No. 11), entitled

"An Act to provide for the appointment of an additional Notary Public for New Castle County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Baynard, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 92), entitled

"An Act to exempt pharmacists from jury duty,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Baynard, on behalf of the Committee on Education,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(S. B. No. 47), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 440, of Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to increase the school fund for the United School Districts of Laurel and vicinity,' by increasing the amount that may be raised by taxation for school purposes in said districts,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Baynard, on behalf of the Committee on Education,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 23), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 67, Volume 21 of the Laws of Delaware, by extending the term of first grade certificates of teachers, and providing for life grade certificates in certain cases,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Dayett, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 143), entitled

"An Act authorizing a special tax to provide a special fund for the purchase of oyster-shells for the county roads of the First Election District of the Third Representative District of Sussex County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Dayett, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 122), entitled

"An Act authorizing and directing the Court of Chancery in and for Sussex County to order and direct the sale of all the public lands belonging to Sussex County within the town of Georgetown, not used and occupied for county or municipal purposes, and defining the uses and purposes to which the funds thus arising shall be applied,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Dayett, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 94), entitled

"An Act authorizing the Levy Court of Sussex County to fund the indebtedness of said county,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Dayett, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 135), entitled

"An Act to protect the owners of timber in Sussex County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Dayett, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 116), entitled

"An Act authorizing and directing the Court of Chancery in and for Sussex County to order and direct the sale of the jail property of Sussex County, and defining the uses and purposes to which the funds thus arising shall be applied,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Dayett, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 95), entitled

"An Act reorganizing the Levy Court of Sussex County, and defining its powers and duties,"

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 bill,

(H. B. No. 147), entitled

"An Act to amend Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to further protect oysters in Broadkiln River and Sound, and in Mispillion River, and in Leipsic River and

Simon's Creek,' by changing the license fee to three dollars, exempting Leipsic River and Simon's Creek, and making it unlawful to dredge in the tributaries of Delaware Bay with certain tongs or dredges,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 44), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 193, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act providing for the auditing of the books and accounts of certain county officers of New Castle County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 161), entitled

"An Act to amend Section 3, of the act entitled 'An Act to provide for an additional Constable in New Castle County,' approved March 2, 1899, being Chapter 204, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

To whom had been referred the bill,

(H. B. No. 120), entitled

"An Act to establish the New Castle County Workhouse,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Aron, on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(S. B. No. 18), entitled

"An Act providing for a State Veterinary Physician, and prescribing his duties,"

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

On motion of Mr. Flinn, the bill,

(H. B. No. 65), entitled

"An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Ferris Reform School,"

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 year and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Gooden, Hearn, Healey, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 33.

Nays, none.

Absent-Messrs. Hardesty and Hitchen.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

House Bill No. 47, entitled

"An Act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional Notary Public for Indian River hundred, Sussex County,"

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. Cain, 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. 62, entitled

"An Act in relation to the misapplication or embezzlement of money or trust funds."

Senate Bill No. 36, entitled

"An Act providing for the appointment of the Oyster Revenue Collector, and fixing his term of office and salary,"

And presented the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the bill,

(S. B. No. 48), entitled

"An Act to exempt from taxation the lands, tenements and hereditaments and personal estate of 'The Sarah White Home,'"

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Gooden, Hearn, Hitchen, Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 33.

Nays, none.

Absent-Messrs. Hardesty and Hodgson-

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. Layton, the bill,

(H. B. No. 75), entitled

"An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the town of Bridgeville,' being Chapter 126, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, as amended by an act, entitled 'An Act to amend Section 5, Chapter 126, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware,'"

As amended,

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Hearn, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Pepper, Pilling, Ralph, Shallcross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 28.

Nays, none.

Absent—Messrs. Gooden, Hardesty, Hutchinson, Moore, Prettyman, Robertson, Warren.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared adopted, as amended,

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ewing, the bill,

(H. B. No. 161), entitled

"An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to provide for an additional Constable in New Castle County,' approved March 2, 1899, being Chapter 204, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware,"

Under suspension of Rule 27,

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Gooden, Hearn, Healey, Hitchen, Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 32.

Nays, none.

Absent—Messrs. Clark, Hardesty, Hodgson-

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. West, the bill,

(H. B. No. 166), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 500, of Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to authorize the levying of a special tax for shelling the county roads of Broad Creek hundred, Sussex County,' by providing that said oyster-shells may be used on another road, running from Laurel, in Little Creek hundred."

Was read a first time.

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Hitchen, the bill,

(H. B. No. 167), entitled

"An Act to repeal an act, entitled 'An Act to prevent political parades in the night-time in this State,' being Chapter 383, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, passed at Dover, April 8, 1881,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. White, the bill,

(H. B. No 149), entitled

"An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to reincorporate the town of Milford,' and the several amendatory acts thereto,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Wright, the bill,

(H. B. No. 170), entitled

"An Act providing for taxing saw mills, and threshers, and engines and boilers used in propelling the same,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. White, the bill,

(H. B. No. 154), entitled

"An Act authorizing the Town Council of the town of Milford to borrow fifteen thousand dollars for street improvements and payment of outstanding debts,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. West, the bill,

(H. B. No. 166), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 500, of Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act to authorize the levying of a special tax for shelling the county roads of Broad Creek hundred, Sussex County,' by providing that said oyster-shells may be used on another road running from Laurel, in Little Creek hundred,"

Under suspension of Rule 12,

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

On motion of Mr. Pepper, the bill,

(H. B. No. 172), entitled

"An Act to authorize the **Town C**ouncil of Georgetown to levy a special tax for the support of the water works and light plant of the town of Georgetown,"

Was read a first time,

Under suspension of Rule 7,

On the further motion of Mr. Pepper,

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. Shallcross, the bill,

(H. B. No. 173), entitled

"Justices' jurisdiction in civil cases of debt,"

Was read a first time,

Under suspension of Rule 7,

On the further 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 Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Pepper, the bill,

(H. B. No. 168), entitled

"An Act authorizing and appointing a Board of Light and Water Commissioners for the town of Georgetown, which shall establish, control and regulate a light plant and water works for said town; prescribing the powers and duties of said board, and providing for the election of their successors,"

Under suspension of Rule 7,

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Pepper,

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. Pepper, the bill,

(H. B. No. 169), entitled

"An Act authorizing the Town Council of Georgetown to borrow money and issue bonds to secure the payment thereof, for the purpose of providing a supply of water and lights for the town of Georgetown,"

Under suspension of Rule 7,

Was read a nrst time.

On the further motion of Mr. Pepper,

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. Ralph, the bill,

(H. B. No. 171), entitled

"An Act authorizing the Commissioners of the town of Delmar to build and establish water works, and to provide for apparatus for extinguishing fires, and to borrow money and issue bonds for the payment thereof,"

Under suspension of Rule 7,

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Vinyard, the bill,

(H. B. No. 129), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 480, of Volume 13, Laws of Delaware, entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Harrington," by increasing the amount to be raised by taxation, and to provide for taxing vacant lots in said town,"

Under suspension of Rule 27,

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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Clark, Clendaniel, Ewing,, Gooden, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Pepper, Prettyman, Ralph, Shall-cross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 20.

Nay-Mr. Holcomb

Absent—Messrs. Baynard, Chandler, Dayett, Flinn, Hardesty, Hearn, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Hope, Monaghan, Moore, Pilling, Robertson.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared not adopted.

Mr. Hutchinson moved that the House adjourn until 10.30 A. M., February 14, 1901,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Dover, Del., February 14th, 1901—10.45 o'clock A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present—Messrs. Aron, Baynard, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Ewing, Flinn, Gooden, Hardesty, Hearn, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hope, Hutchinson, Layton, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pepper, Pilling, Prettyman, Ralph, Robertson, Shallcross, Short, Scotten, Vinyard, Warren, West, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.

All members present.

Journal read and approved.

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

"An Act to amend Chapter 120, of the Revised Code, entitled 'Of landlord and tenant,' by providing a different method of appraising distrained property."

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

"An Act to enable the Governor to appoint an additional

Notary Public in New Castle County for Wilmington hundred."

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

"An Act to amend Chapter 67, of Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, by changing the date of holding the stated annual school meetings in Kent and Sussex Counties."

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

"An Act to provide a fund to be used by the Attorney-General to pay the necessary expenses of criminal prosecutions."

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

"An Act to authorize the City Clerk of the city of Wilmington to issue marriage licenses."

On motion of Mr. Aron, the bill,

(H. B. No. 156), entitled

"An Act making dogs personal property and providing for their assessment as such,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the bill,

(H. B. No. 109), entitled

"An Act fixing the manner in which real property shall be assessed in 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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Ewing, Hardesty, Hearn, Healey, Hope, Long, Monaghan, Moore, Pilling, Prettyman, Scotten, Vinyard, White, Wright, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 16

Nays—Messrs. Baynard, Clark, Clendaniel, Dayett, Flinn, Hitchen, Hodgson, Holcomb, Hutchinson, Pepper, Shallcross, Short, Warren, West.—Nays, 14.

Absent—Messrs, Chandler, Gooden, Layton, Ralph, Robertson.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared not adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hutchinson, the bill,

(H. B. No. 174), entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 67, of Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, by changing the date of holding the stated annual school meetings in Kent and Sussex Counties,"

Under suspension of Rule 7

Was read a first time.

## JOINT SESSION.

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, the President pro tempore, members, Clerks and Sergeant-at-Arms, of the Senate, being announced, were admitted

Mr. President pro tempore directed the Clerks to call the rolls of the respective Houses. All members present.

Mr. Holcomb, of the House, moved the reading of the journals be dispensed with,

Which motion

Prevailed.

The Clerks were directed to call the rolls of the respective Houses, and the members, as their names were called, respected by viva voce vote, as follows:

- 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. Clements, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney
  - Mr. Farlow, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. Groves, of the Senate, voted for Anthony Higgins.
  - Mr. Hart, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
- Mr. Harrington, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. Knox, of the Senate, voted for Henry A. duPont-

- Mr. Maull, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
- Mr. McFarlane, of the Senate, voted for Anthony Higgins.
- Mr. McNulty, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
- Mr. Pennewill, of the Senate, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Slaughter, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. Wright, of the Senate, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
- Mr. President pro tem., of the Senate, voted for Henry A. duPont.
  - Mr. Aron, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Baynard, of the House, voted for Anthony Higgins.
  - Mr. Chandler, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.
  - Mr. Clark, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.
- Mr. Clendaniel, of the House, voted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Dayett, of the House, voted for Anthony Higgins.
  - Mr. Ewing, of the House, vo ted for John Edward Addicks.
  - Mr. Flinn, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.
  - Mr. Gooden, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. Hardesty, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. Hearn, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.
  - Mr. Healey, of the House, voted for Richard K. Kenney.

Mr. Hitchen, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.

Mr. Hodgson, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

Mr. Holcomb, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney

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

Mr. Hutchinson, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

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

Mr. Monaghan, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

Mr. Pepper, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Pilling, of the House, voted for Henry A. duPont.

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

Mr. Ralph, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Robertson, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird-

Mr. Shallcross, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

Mr. Scotten, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Vinyard, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

Mr. Warren, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney

Mr. West, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

Mr. Wright, of the House, voted for Richard R. Kenney.

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

The vote as above ascertained having been announced as follows:—

For John Edward Addicks, sixteen votes.

For Richard R. Kenney, twenty-three votes.

For Anthony Higgins, four votes-

For Henry A. duPont, seven votes.

For Levi C. Bird, two votes.

Total, fifty-two votes.

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.

Mr. Hardesty moved that we proceed to ballot for a United States Senator for the term ending March 4, 1905,

Which motion

Prevailed.

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:

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. Clements, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Farlow, of the Senate, voted for John H. Layton.

Mr. Groves, of the Senate, voted for William S. Hilles.

Mr. Hart, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Harrington, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Knox, of the Senate, voted for Levi C. Bird.

Mr. Maull, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. McFarlane, of the Senate, voted for William S. Hilles.

Mr. McNulty, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

Mr. Slaughter, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Wright, of the Senate, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr President pro tem., of the Senate, voted for Levi C. Bird.

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

Mr. Baynard, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.

Mr. Chandler, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.

Mr. Clark, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.

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

Mr. Dayett, of the House, voted for William S. Hilles.

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

Mr. Flinn, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.

Mr. Gooden, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Hardesty, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Hearn, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Healey, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Hitchen, of the House, voted for Charles F. Richards.

Mr. Hodgson, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.

Mr. Holcomb, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

Mr. Hutchinson, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

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

Mr. Monaghan, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury

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

Mr. Pepper, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Pilling, of the House, voted for Levi C. Bird.

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

Mr. Ralph, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Robertson, of the House, voted for Charles F. Richards.

Mr. Shallcross, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

Mr. Scotten, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Vinyard, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. Warren, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

Mr. West, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

Mr. Wright, of the House, voted for Willard Saulsbury.

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

The vote as above ascertained having been announced as follows:—

For John Edward Addicks, sixteen votes.

For Willard Saulsbury, twenty-two votes.

For William S. Hilles, three votes.

For Levi C. Bird, eight votes.

For John H. Layton, one vote.

For Charles F. Richards, two votes.

Total, fifty-two votes.

The President pro tem., of the enate, declared that no personhaving received a majority of all the votes cast for United States Senator, there was no election to said office.

On motion of Mr. Harrington, of the Senate, the two Houses separated, and the members of the Senate returned to their chamber.

Was read a first time

Mr. Holcomb moved that the vote on House Bill No. 129 be reconsidered and the bill recommitted to the Municipal Corporation Committee,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Moore moved that Senate Bill No. 17 be recommitted to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business,

Which motion

Was Lost.

Mr. Robertson moved that the consideration of Senate Bill No. 17 be made a special order of business on Thursday, February 21, 1901,

Which motion

Was Lost.

On motion of Mr. Hope, the bill,

(S. B. No. 17), entitled

"An Act prohibiting the manufacture of cigarettes, cigarette paper and cigarette tobacco within 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 being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Aron, Chandler, Clark, Clendaniel, Flinn, Gooden, Hardesty, Healey, Hitchen, Hodgson, Hope, Long, Moore, Pilling, Ralph, Shallcross, Vinyard, West, White, Mr. Speaker.—Yeas, 20.

Nays—Messrs. Baynard, Dayett, Ewing, Hearn, Holcomb, Hutchinson, Monaghan, Pepper, Prettyman, Robertson, Short, Scotten, Wright.—Nays, 13.

Not voting-Messrs. Layton and Warren-

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared

Adopted.

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

Mr. Hardesty moved that the House take a recss until 2 o'clock P. M.,

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Which motion

Prevailed.

Dover, Del., Same Day, Feb. 14, 1901-2 o'clock P. M.

House met at expiration of recess.

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

"An Act to amend Section 91, of Chapter 207, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, by providing that the goods and chattels of tenants shall not be liable for the taxes of their landlords."

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

"An Act to amend Chapter 125, of the Revised Code, of the Laws of Delaware."

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

"An Act for the relief of Joseph Davidson."

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

"An Act making the twelfth day of February in each year, known as Lincoln's Birthday, a legal holiday."

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

"An Act to amend Chapter 467, Volume 13, of the Laws of Delaware, making the Mayor of Wilmington eligible for reelection."

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

"An Act for the appointment of an additional Justice of the Peace in New Castle County."

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

"An Act to establish a Department of Printing, and to carry into effect the provisions of Section 8, of Article XV. of the Constitution."

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

"An Act to authorize the Commissioners of School District No. 115, in Pencader hundred, New Castle County, to borrow money to pay for the repairing and remodeling of their schoolhouse."

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

"An Act in relation to the Levy Court of New Castle County."

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

"An Act to abolish the office of Commissioners of Roads in Brandywine hundred in New Castle County."

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

"An Act to abolish the office of Road Commissioner in the several hundreds of New Castle County."

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

"An Act extending the lien and time for the collection of taxes for the year 1899 in the city of New Castle."

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

"An Act to repeal a part of Section 1 of the act entitled, An Act to amend and supplement Section 26, of Chapter 152; Volume 15, Laws of Delaware,' entitled 'Of the city of New Castle,' passed at Dover, March 17th, 1893, relating to the road and street tax of said city."

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

"An Act in relation to Road Commissioners in New Castle County and Commissioners of Roads in Brandywine hundred, in said county."

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

"An Act to authorize the Road Commissioners of New Castle hundred to raise funds to pay certain debts."

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

"An Act creating the office of Superintendent of Public Printing, and defining the duties thereof."

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

"An Act creating a Public Land Commissioner for Sussex County, defining their powers and duties and specifying the manner of the application of funds coming into the hands of said commission."

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

"An Act to amend Chapter 22, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act reorganizing the Levy Court of Kent County and defining its powers and duties,' by increasing the salary of its members."

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

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

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

"An Act to make valid the record of certain deeds."

Mr Aron, on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(S. B. No. 39), entitled

"An Act to repeal Chapter 175, of Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An Act regulating the expenditure by the Agricultural Society of the State of Delaware of moneys appropriated to said society by an act of the present session of the General Assembly, entitled 'An Act appropriating fifteen hundred dollars annually to the Agricultural Society of the State of Delaware,' to be used in encouraging and promoting agricultural, horticultural and domestic arts by the citizens of this State,"

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

Mr. Aron, on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture,

To whom had been referred the bill,

(S. B. No. 35), entitled