

On which question the yeas and nays were called for.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Martin, McCoy, Short, Taylor, Thompson, Wilson—13.

Nays—Messrs. Cheairs, Eliason, Johnson, Smith, Mr. Speaker—5.

Mr. Whitney excused from voting.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the vote was declared reconsidered.

Mr. Donaldson moved to refer the bill back to the committee for amendment.

Which motion Prevailed.

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

“An act to amend Chapter 63 of the Revised Code as amended in 1893, entitled ‘General provisions respecting trade.’”

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

"An act to incorporate the Call Publishing Company."

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

"An act to incorporate the Stars and Stripes Council, No. 26, Jr. O. U. A. M., of Smyrna, Del."

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

"An act taxing inheritances, distribution shares and legacies."

Mr. Donaldson moved suspension of the rule that this bill be introduced and read a first time,

Which motion

Prevailed.

The bill was read first and known as House bill No. 289.

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

Referred to the Special Committee on Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the (S. B. No. 155) entitled

"An act for renewal of the charter of the Phoenix Fire Company, No. 4, of Wilmington, Delaware, under the name of the Phoenix Fire Company, No. 4, of Wilmington, Delaware, and for other purposes,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill (S. B. No. 38) entitled

"Citizens' Trust and Insurance Company,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Eliason, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (S. B. No. 120) entitled
“An act to incorporate the Delaware Insurance Company,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

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

“An act to change the legal rate of interest in the State of Delaware.”

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

“An act to dig out the mouth of Lewes creek to the Delaware bay, in Lewes and Rehoboth hundreds.”

Mr. Short 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 Effie Strawbridge Cobb.”

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

House bill No. 188, entitled

"An act to divorce Mary S. Stanton from her husband, Nathan Stanton."

House bill No. 184, entitled

"An act to divorce George E. Warrington from his wife, Mary E. Warrington."

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Whitney, the bill (S. B. No. 123) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Laurel Publishing Company,"

Was read a second time, by its title.

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion the House adjourned until Monday, 10 o'clock, A. M.

Monday, April 12, 1897—10 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes, Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, McCoy, McCullough, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Standing Committee reports.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 242, entitled

“An act in relation to fishing in Drummond’s Mill Pond, otherwise known as Silver Lake and Noxentown Mill Pond, New Castle County,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act requiring a license for the carrying on the business of opening oysters for the purpose of exporting from the State,’ ” being Chapter 551, Volume 12, Laws of Delaware,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 57, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 507, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House without recommendation.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 248, entitled

"An act in relation to game,"

Reported the same back to the House without recommendation.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 255, entitled

"An act to incorporate the General Pulaski Polish-American Club, of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 260, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Park and Amusement Association,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 200, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Transpeninsular Telegraph and Telephone Company,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 228, entitled

"An act to divorce Westley T. Wright from Lizzie Wright,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 95, entitled

"An act to divorce Margaret A. Miller from her husband, Robert S. Miller,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 112, entitled

"An act to divorce Annie F. Edmunds and Milton J. Edmunds,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 283, entitled

"An act for the relief of School District No. 96, New Castle County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 288, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 444 of Volume 13 of the Laws of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Elections, to whom had been referred the Senate substitute for House bill No. 39, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 21, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act governing primary elections in the City of Wilmington,'"

Reported the same back to the House favorably,

With amendment.

Mr. Donaldson, on behalf of the Special Committee on discrimination in freight rates, called the said committee to meet Wednesday next, 1.30 o'clock, P. M.

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 290) entitled

"An act to divide School District No. 44, New Castle County into two districts and to consolidate the same,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 291) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Call Printing Company,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Thompson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 292) entitled

"An act to incorporate Stars and Stripes Council, No. 26, Jr. O. U. A. M., of Smyrna, Del.,"

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

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (H. B. No. 293) entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act authorizing the Superior Court of New Castle County to make certain rules,'"

Was read a first time.

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

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

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Hazell 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 Smyrna.'"

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

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Life Insurance Company."

Mr. Cheairs 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 registration of land titles in the State of Delaware, and to simplify and facilitate the transfer of real estate.

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

"An act to divorce Lucretia Hitch from her husband, William S. Hitch."

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

"An act to incorporate the Rehoboth Land and Improvement Company."

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

"An act to incorporate the South Side Railway Company, of Wilmington."

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 294) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Christiana Yacht Company, of Delaware,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Dukes,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 295) entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 63 of the Revised Code as

amended in 1893, entitled 'General provisions respecting trade,' "

Which, no motion of Mr. Hazell, was read.

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 296) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Stanton Store Company,"

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

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

House bill No. 198, entitled

"An act to lay out a public road in Baltimore hundred, Sussex County."

House bill No. 96, entitled

"Amendment to charter of Queen Anne's railroad, an act to amend Chapter 84 of the Acts of the Assembly of 1895."

House bill No. 245, entitled

"An act to authorize and empower James A. Martin to alter and straighten a portion of the road leading from Martin's Corner to Frederica, in Milford hundred, Kent County, Delaware."

Also, that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following Senate bill:

Senate bill No. 157, entitled

"An act to alter the time for the appointment of the collector of road taxes for Brandywine hundred,"

And returned the same to the House.

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

Senate bill No. 101, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 123, Volume 19, of the Laws of Delaware."

Senate bill No. 113, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the owners and possessors of a certain tract of meadow marsh in the borough of Wilmington.'"

Senate bill No. 118, entitled

"An act to divorce Laura C. Mayne from her husband, Leonard Mayne."

Senate bill No. 103, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Joseph Garibaldi Italian Club of the City of Wilmington, Delaware."

Senate bill, No. 106, entitled

"An act to incorporate the St. Bernard Club."

Senate bill No. 80, entitled

"An act to amend an act passed at Dover, January 22, 1837."

Also, Senate joint resolution entitled

"Joint resolution in relation to receiving new business."

And presented the same to the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 297) entitled

"An act to lay out a new public road in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex County, Delaware,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Short,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 298) entitled

"An act to enable the Governor to appoint two additional Notaries public for Wilmington hundred, New Castle County,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Johnson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 299) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Maryland and Woodland Beach Railway Company,"

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

Order of the day.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill (S. B. No. 94) entitled

"An act to divorce James A. Daniels from his wife, Eliza J. Daniels,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Hazell offered an amendment to the bill,

Which, on his motion, was read as follows:

House amendment to Senate bill No. 94,

Amend the bill by adding at the end of Section 3 the following: "Provided that this act shall not take effect until the said James A. Daniels shall have paid or assumed to be paid to the said Eliza J. Daniels the sum of one hundred dollars."

Mr. Hazell moved that the amendment be adopted,

But the question was decided in the negative,

And the amendment was declared Lost.

The bill was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

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

Same Day—3 o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

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

“An act to straighten a public road in Indian River hundred, in Sussex County.”

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

“An act in relation to holding the annual school election in New Castle County, exclusive of the City of Wilmington.”

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, substitute for Senate bill No. 39, entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 21, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act governing primary elections in the City of Wilmington,’ ”

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Hazell moved to refer the bill back to the committee for further consideration,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Donaldson, the bill (H. B. No. 255) entitled

“An act to incorporate the General Pulaski Polish-American Club, of Wilmington, Del.”

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, McCoy, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—15.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 300) entitled

"An act regulating the assessment of liquor licenses,"

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

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

"An act to transfer the farm of William Artis from School District No. 18, Kent County to Districts Nos. 96 and 133½, in Kent County."

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 293, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act authorizing the Superior Court of New Castle County to make certain rules,'"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

"An act granting to Thomas Coates the title of the State of Delaware to a certain tract of land situated in Sussex County."

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

"An act to lay out a public road in Broad Creek hundred, Sussex County."

Mr. Thompson 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 Justice of the Peace in Lewes and Rehoboth hundreds."

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill (H. B. No. 288) entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 444 of Volume 13 of the Laws of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (H. B. No. 293) entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act authorizing the Superior Court of New Castle County to make certain rules,'"

Rule 12 was suspended in regard to this bill, and the bill

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (H. B. No. 257) entitled

"An act to change the place of holding the general elections in Indian River hundred,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Speaker, the bill (H. B. No. 258) entitled

"An act to divorce William S. Wiley from his wife, Kate L. Wiley,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (H. B. No. 228) entitled
"An act to divorce Westley T. Wright from Lizzie Wright,"

Was taken up for consideration.

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McCoy, the bill (H. B. No. 260) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Park and Amusement Association,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, McCoy, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—14.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

House bill No. 96, entitled

"A bill entitled 'An act supplementary to Chapter 84 of the Acts of Assembly of 1895, incorporating the Queen Anne's Railroad Company in the State of Delaware, to authorize said railroad company to extend its line in this State and granting certain additional privileges and powers thereto.'"

House bill No. 106, entitled

"An act to appoint Elias S. R. Butler, trustee to sell the lands of Sallie A. Butler, in Sussex County, and empower him to grant a good and sufficient deed for the same."

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 301) entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 217, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Cheairs, was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. McCoy, the bill (H. B. No. 139) entitled

"An act to incorporate Stars and Stripes Publishing Company,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (S. B. No. 149) entitled

"An act to incorporate Venus Temple, No. 9, Grand Order of Union American Circle of Glasgow, New Castle County, State of Delaware,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (S. B. No. 85) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Guarantee Storage and Warehouse Company, of Delaware,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Rule 12 was suspended and

On motion of Mr. Thompson, the bill (H. B. No. 297) entitled

"An act to lay out a new public road in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex County, Delaware,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands.

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 302) entitled

"An act to provide for the registration of land titles in the State of Delaware, and to simplify and facilitate the transfer of real estate."

Pending the reading of the bill the House adjourned until 10 o'clock, A. M., Tuesday.

Tuesday, April 13, 1897—10 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes, Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker.

Standing Committee reports.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 142, entitled

“An act to incorporate Winona Council, No. 9, Junior Order United American Mechanics,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 123, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Laurel Publishing Company,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 24, entitled

“An act to divorce Mary E. Warrington from her husband, Rufus W. Warrington,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 9, entitled

"An act to divorce James A. Boyd and Sarah E. Boyd from the bonds of matrimony,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 146, entitled

"An act to divorce Howard B. Springer from his wife, Sarah W. Springer,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 253, entitled

"An act to transfer the farm of Berend W. Meyer from School District No. 13 to School Districts Nos. 18, 60, 90, 91, 92 and 101,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 185, entitled

"An act to transfer the farm now belonging to Joseph F. McGlean from School District No. 79 to School District No. 72, in Kent County,"

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 92, entitled

"An act to afford additional instruction to advanced pupils in certain school districts,"

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Unfinished business:—

Resumption of first reading of bill that was pending at adjournment Monday, afternoon, known as House bill, No. 302.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill (S. B. No. 126) entitled

"An act to divorce Annie Harris from her husband, Thomas H. Harris,"

Was read a first time.

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

On motion of Mr. Dempsey,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 303) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Life Insurance Company,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Donaldson, was read a first time.

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 304) entitled

"An act for the relief of Effie Strawbridge Cobb,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Short, was read a first time.

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

On motion of Mr. Cheairs,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 305) entitled

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to fix the place for holding the Superior Court and Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Jail Delivery in the several counties of this State,’ ”

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

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 306) entitled

“An act to incorporate the South Side Railway Company,”

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

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

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 307) entitled

“An act to amend an act to reincorporate the towns of Smyrna,”

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

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

On motion of Mr. Thompson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 308) entitled

“An act to incorporate the Rehoboth Land and Improvement Company, of Sussex County,”

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

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

On motion of Mr. Short,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 309) entitled

"An act granting to Thomas Coates the title of the State of Delaware to certain tracts of land in Sussex County,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 310) entitled

"An act to lay out a new public road in Sussex County,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Dukes,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 311) entitled

"An act to reincorporate the Lewes River (formerly Lewes Creek) Improvement Company,"

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

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

Senate bill No. 2, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Democratic League of Delaware, at Wilmington."

Senate bill No. 121, entitled

"An act to incorporate the trustees of the Delaware Annual Conference of the Union American Methodist Episcopal Church."

Senate bill No. 60, entitled

"An act to increase the school fund for the united school districts of Laurel and vicinity."

Senate bill No. 144, entitled

"An act to divorce Mary R. Shrom from her husband, George Shrom."

Senate bill No. 143, entitled

"An act for the relief of Kate Eliason."

Senate bill No. 125, entitled

"An act to authorize the constable in the First Election District, Mispillion hundred, Kent County, to appoint a deputy."

Also, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following Senate bill:

Senate bill No. 161, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 117, Volume 13 of the Laws of Delaware."

Also, House bill No. 140, entitled

"An act to divorce Mary Hunter from her husband, Samuel B. Hunter."

Mr. Dempsey on behalf of the Committee on Enrolled Bills,

reported as duly and correctly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker, the following Senate bill:

Senate bill No. 118, entitled

“An act to divorce Laura C. Mayne from her husband, Leonard Mayne.”

Mr. Whitney, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 284, entitled

“An act to lay out a new public road in North West Fork hundred, Sussex County,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Whitney, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 273, entitled

“An act to authorize the laying out and establishing a new public road in North West Fork hundred, Sussex County,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Whitney, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands, to whom to had been referred the House bill, No. 278, entitled

“An act to authorize the Levy Court to take up and keep in repair a certain public road in Baltimore hundred, Sussex County,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

On motion of Mr. Eliason, the bill (H. B. No. 286) entitled

“An act to divorce Mary E. Bailey from her husband, Henry H. Bailey,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill (S. B. No. 155) entitled

"An act for the renewal of the charter of the Phoenix Fire Company, in the City of Wilmington, under the name of the Phoenix Fire Company, No. 4, of Wilmington, Delaware, and for other purposes,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Eliason, the bill (S. B. No. 119) entitled

"An act to divorce Alexander B. Russell from his wife, Ella B. Russell,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Donaldson, the bill (H. B. No. 290) entitled

"An act to divide School District No. 44, New Castle County into two districts and to consolidate the same,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Donaldson, the bill (H. B. No. 294) entitled

“An act to incorporate the Christiana Yacht Company, of Delaware,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (H. B. No. 300) entitled

“An act regulating the assignment of liquor licenses,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Temperance.

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (H. B. No. 301) entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 217, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion, was

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (H. B. No. 285) entitled

“An act in reference to suretyship on fiduciary bonds,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (H. B. No. 298) entitled

“An act to enable the Governor to appoint two additional Notaries Public for Wilmington hundred, New Castle County,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (H. B. No. 274) entitled

“An act to amend an act to incorporate the town of Newport,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (H. B. No. 268) entitled

“An act to amend Section 23, Chapter 26, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (H. B. No. 292) entitled

“An act to incorporate Stars and Stripes Council, No. 26, Jr. O. U. A. M., of Smyrna, Delaware,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (H. B. No. 154) entitled

“An act to reincorporate and renew the Fame House Company, No. 1, of the City of Wilmington, under the name of the Fame Fire Company, No. 6, of Wilmington, Delaware, and for other purposes,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (S. B. No. 296) entitled

“An act to incorporate the Stanton Store Company,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (H. B. No. 291) entitled

“An act to reincorporate the Call Printing Company,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (H. B. No. 295) entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 63 of the Revised Code as amended in 1893, entitled 'General provisions respecting trade,'"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill (H. B. No. 299) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Maryland and Woodland Beach Railway Company,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (S. B. No. 136) entitled

"An act to divorce Sallie Sholes from her husband, Robert Sholes,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (S. B. No. 65) entitled

"An act divorcing Caroline A. Shandley and Thomas J. Shandley, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (H. B. No. 287) entitled
 "An act for the protection of game,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game.

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (S. B. No. 149) entitled

"An act to incorporate Venus Temple, No. 9, Grand Order
 of Union American Circle of Glasgow, New Castle County,
 State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Donaldson moved that when the House adjourn it ad-
 journ to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Which motion Prevailed.

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, moved that House bill No. 241, entitled

"An act authorizing the Insurance Commissioner to ex-
 amine and publish the standing of insurance companies doing
 business in this State,"

Be referred back to the Committee for further consideration,

Which motion Prevailed.

Mr. McCullough 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 changing of the dog law."

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

"An act authorizing the State Board of Education to add to the official list of school books a system for teaching vertical writing."

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

"An act allowing the taxes collected by the several districts of New Castle County to be spent in the district that has been assessed and collected in."

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

"An act entitled 'An act for the relief of School District No. 42, New Castle County, Delaware.'"

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

"An act entitled 'An act to amend Section 55, Chapter 120, Laws of Delaware.'"

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

"An act providing a stenographer for the Court of Chancery."

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

"An act to amend Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter 209, Volume 20,,Laws of Delaware."

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

"An act to divorce Purnell J. Messick from his wife, Elizabeth Messick."

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

"An act to amend Section 12 of Chapter 23, Volume 19 of the Laws of Delaware."

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

"An act to amend Chapter 11, Volume 15, Delaware Laws."

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

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Mutual Beneficial Association."

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

"An act to divorce Anna M. Bosman from her husband, Revel Bosman."

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

"An act to provide a watchman at Harmony station crossing of the Baltimore & Philadelphia Railroad Company."

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (H. B. No. 24) entitled

"An act to divorce Mary E. Warrington from her husband, Rufus W. Warrington,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Same Day—3 o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Davis, on behalf of the Special Joint Committee appointed to settle with Peter C. Gruwell, late State Librarian, presented the following report:

Dover, Del., April 13, 1897.

The committee appointed to settle with Peter C. Gruwell, late State Librarian, report that they found all charges sustained

by proper vouchers and the accounts correct. We found that he had the following balances unexpended:

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| Contingent fund for books..... | \$309.45 |
| Contingent fund for Librarian's expenses..... | 2.55 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$312.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

WM. R. DAVIS,
JOHN C. THOMPSON,
J. H. HOPKINS,
House Committee.

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

On motion of Mr. Whitney, the bill (H. B. No. 89) entitled
"An act to amend an act to amend Chapter 166, Volume 19,
Laws of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

Mr. Short moved to refer the bill back to the committee for further consideration, to report in one week,

Which motion Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Dukes, the bill (H. B. No. 200) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Transpeninsular Telegraph and Telephone Company,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Dempsey, Dukes, Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Doherty, 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. 91, entitled

"An act to divorce Mary A. Garrett from Howard W. Garrett, a vinculo matrimonii."

Senate bill No. 164, entitled

"An act to divorce Gertrude P. Kitchen from her husband, William T. Kitchen."

Senate bill No. 153, entitled

"An act to transfer the farm of W. C. J. Wilson from School Districts Nos. 3, 175, 175½ to School District No. 117, in Sussex County."

Also, that the Senate had concurred in the following House bills:

House bill No. 237, entitled

"An act to open and lay out a new public road in West Dover hundred, Kent County."

House bill No. 179, entitled

"An act to consolidate united School Districts Nos. 28 and 80, in Kent County."

House bill No. 252, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act creating an additional Justice of the Peace, Notary Public and constable in and for Kenton hundred, Kent County,' being Chapter 178, Volume 15, Laws of Delaware.

House bill No. 272, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Wilmington Fountain Society," And returned the same to the House.

Also, that the Senate had non-concurred in the following House bills:

House bill No. 153, entitled

"An act supplementary to an act to incorporate the town of Laurel."

Also, that the Senate had passed, with amendment, the following House bill:

House bill No. 234, entitled

"An act appointing commissioners to straighten and widen the public road between Lewes and Rehoboth in Lewes and Rehoboth hundreds."

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. Dempsey, on behalf of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as duly and correctly enrolled the following Senate bills:

Senate bill No. 106, entitled

"An act to incorporate the St. Bernard Club."

Senate bill No. 103, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Joseph Garibaldi Italian Club, of the City of Wilmington, Delaware."

Also, House bill No. 187, entitled

"An act to divorce Henry F. Stroud and Louela Stroud, his wife."

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

"An act to divorce Mary D. Bell and Henry A. Bell, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony."

On motion of Mr. Wilson, the bill (H. B. No. 57) entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 507, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Dempsey offered the following amendment to the bill,

Which, on his motion, was read as follows:

Amend the bill by striking out in the tenth line of Section 1 the words "hired laborers excepted."

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

The yeas and nays were called for.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Dempsey, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Martin, McCoy, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—12.

Nays—Messrs. Cheairs, Davis, Dukes, Hazell, Johnson—5.

Mr. McCullough excused from voting.

And the amendment was declared Adopted.

The bill as amended was put on its final passage.

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Dempsey, Dukes, J. H. Hopkins, Martin, McCoy, Short, Smith, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—11.

Nays—Messrs. Cheairs, Davis, Eliason, Hazell, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, McCullough, Taylor—8.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. Hazell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 312) entitled

"An act to straighten a public road in Mispillion hundred, Kent County, Delaware,"

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

On motion of Mr. Eliason, the bill (H. B. No. 283) entitled

"An act for the relief of School District No. 96, New Castle County,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Thompson, the Senate amendment to House bill No. 234, entitled

"An act appointing commissioners to straighten and widen the public road between Lewes and Rehoboth in Lewes and Rehoboth hundreds,"

Was read as follows:

Senate amendment to House bill No. 234,

Amend the bill as follows:

That the title of the bill be amended by striking out after the name "John S. Tindall" the following: "To the bridge crossing the inland waterway canal in Rehoboth," and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "extending to the low water mark of the ocean," by striking out after the word "the," in the eighth line of Section 1, the following: "bridge which crosses the inland waterway canal in Rehoboth," and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "low water mark of the ocean," and by striking out after the first "the" in the fifth line of Section 2, the following: "bridge which crosses the inland waterway canal in Rehoboth," and by inserting in lieu thereof the following: "low water mark of the ocean."

Adopted in the Senate, April 13, 1897.

Attest:

SIMON P. DOHERTY,

Clerk.

And, on Mr. Thompson's further motion

The amendment was

Concurred in.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (S. B. No. 102) entitled

"An act to divorce John W. Sanderson from his wife, Mary L. Sanderson,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Eliason, the bill (H. B. No. 242) entitled

"An act in relation to fishing in Drummond's Mill Pond, otherwise known as Silver Lake and Noxentown Mill Pond, New Castle County,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Whitney, the bill (S. B. No. 123) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Laurel Publishing Company,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Dempsey, Dukes, Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (S. B. No. 112) entitled

"An act to divorce Annie F. Edmunds and Milton J. Edmunds,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion the House adjourned until 10 o'clock, A. M., Wednesday.

Wednesday, April 14, 1897—10 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes, Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Short, Smith, Thompson, Whitney, Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Standing Committee reports.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 139, entitled

“An act to incorporate Stars and Stripes Publishing Company,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 85, entitled

“An act to incorporate Guarantee Storage and Warehouse Company, of Delaware,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

With an amendment.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corpora-

tions, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 149, entitled

“An act to incorporate Venus Temple, No. 9, Grand Order of Union American Circle, of Glasgow, New Castle County, State of Delaware,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 120, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Delaware Insurance Company,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 281, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Security Loan Association,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 155, entitled

“An act for the renewal of the charter of the Phoenix Fire Company, in the City of Wilmington, under the name of the Phoenix Fire Company, No. 4, of Wilmington, Delaware, and for other purposes,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 154, entitled

“An act to reincorporate and renew the Fame Hose Com-

pany, No. 1, of the City of Wilmington, under the name of the Fame Fire Company, No. 6, of Wilmington, Delaware, and for other purposes,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 294, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Christiana Yacht Company, of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 292, entitled

"An act to incorporate Stars and Stripes Council, No. 26, Jr. O. U. A. M., of Smyrna, Del.,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 291, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Call Printing Company,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Adams, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 140, entitled

"An act to authorize the Clerk of the Orphans' Court and Register in Chancery in and for Kent County, to make an examination of the funds deposited in said courts and record the same in separate dockets,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Adams, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 148, entitled

"An act to revive and re-enact an act entitled 'An act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional Notary Public for the City of Wilmington,'"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

On motion of Mr. Donaldson, the bill (H. B. No. 313) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Newark Building and Loan Association,"

Was read a first time.

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

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

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

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

Senate bill No. 143, entitled

"An act for the relief of Kate Eliason."

Senate bill No. 144, entitled

"An act to divorce Mary R. Shrom from her husband, George Shrom."

Also, Senate joint resolution entitled

"Senate joint resolution in relation to receiving new business."

Senate bill No. 101, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 123 of Volume 19 of the Laws of Delaware."

Senate bill No. 113, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the owners and possessors of a certain tract of meadow marsh in the borough of Wilmington.'"

Senate bill No. 62, entitled

"An act in relation to petit juries in New Castle County."

Senate bill No. 80, entitled

"An act to amend an act passed at Dover, January 22, 1831."

Senate bill No. 90, entitled

"A further supplement to an act to provide for public parks for the use of the citizens of Wilmington and vicinity," passed March 13, 1883.

Senate bill No. 2, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Democratic League of Delaware, at Wilmington."

Senate bill No. 121, entitled

"An act to incorporate the trustees of the Delaware Annual Conference of the Union American Methodist Episcopal Church."

Senate bill No. 60, entitled

"An act to increase the school funds for the united school districts of Laurel and vicinity."

Senate bill No. 125, entitled

"An act to authorize the constable in the First Election District in Mispillion hundred, in Kent County to appoint a deputy."

Senate bill No. 76, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act for incorporating the Reliance Fire Company, in the borough of Wilmington.'"

Senate bill No. 47, entitled

"An act in relation to the competency of jurors to sit in a cause of action after a mistrial of the same."

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

On motion of Mr. McCullough,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 314) entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 11, Volume 15, Delaware Laws,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 315) entitled

"An act to authorize the State Board of Education to add a system for teaching vertical writing to the official list of school books,"

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

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

"An act to incorporate the Peninsula Camp Meeting and Summer School Association."

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

"An act to further protect oysters in Broadkiln river and sound."

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

"An act in relation to minors misrepresenting their ages to liquor dealers."

Mr. Cheairs 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 to incorporate the Liberty Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 9, of the City of Wilmington, Delaware," passed at Dover, February 12, 1891.

Mr. Dukes 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 to incorporate the Blackwater Ditch Company, of Baltimore hundred."

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

"An act to incorporate the Salt Pond Ditch Company, of Baltimore hundred."

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

“An act to further protect fish in Broadkilm river and sound.”

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

“An act to incorporate Diamond Council, No. 5, Junior Order United American Mechanics.”

Mr. Hazell 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 in relation to the admission of insane persons to the Delaware State Hospital at Farnhurst,’ ” passed at Dover, April 12, 1893.

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

“An act to incorporate the Oceanview Beach Improvement Company.”

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

“An act to create and establish a railroad commission for the State of Delaware.”

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

“An act to re-enact and amend Chapter 670, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act to permanently improve the condition of certain public roads in New Castle County.’ ”

Mr. Donaldson 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 Newark.'"

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

On motion of Mr. Thompson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 316) entitled

"An act to divorce Annie M. Bosman from her husband, Revelle Bosman,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Dempsey,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 317) entitled

"An act providing a stenographer for the Court of Chancery,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Johnson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 318) entitled

"An act to divide Baltimore hundred, in Sussex County into two voting districts and establish a voting place in each district,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Donaldson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 319) entitled

"An act in relation to holding the annual school election in New Castle County, exclusive of incorporated cities and towns,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Wilson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 321) entitled

"An act to amend Section 55 of Chapter 120, of the Revised Code of 1893,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Dempsey, was read a first time.

Mr. McCoy presented the following claims:

April 14, 1897.

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| Bill of James A. Clifton..... | \$256.08 |
| T. O. Culbreth..... | 12.95 |
| State Sentinel Publishing Company..... | 28.55 |
| State Sentinel Publishing Company..... | 180.00 |

Which, on Mr. McCoy's motion was

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (S. B. No. 164) entitled

"An act to divorce Gertrude P. Kitchen from her husband, William T. Kitchen,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Johnson, 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 Divorces.

On motion of Mr. L. S. Hopkins, the bill (H. B. No. 320) entitled

"An act to amend Section 12 of Chapter 23, Volume 19 of the Laws of Delaware,"

Was read a first time.

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

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

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Dempsey, in pursuance of previous notice, asked,

On motion of Mr. Short,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 321) entitled

"An act to amend Section 55 of Chapter 120 of the Revised Code of 1893,"

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

Mr. J. H. Hopkins, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Short,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 322) entitled

"An act to transfer the farm of William Artis from School

District No. 18, in Kent County to united School Districts Nos. 96 and 133 $\frac{1}{2}$, in said county,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Cheairs,

Obtained leave to introudce a bill (H. B. No. 323) entitled

"An act to divorce Purnall J. Messick from his wife, Elizabeth Messick,"

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

Mr. Donaldson offered a resolution,

Which, on his motion, was read as follows:

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Delaware that the Register of Wills of each county of this State be requested to furnish the House with an estimate of the revenue that would be received by the State in one year under House bill No. 289, and the Clerk of the House is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Register of Wills aforesaid and request a reply not later than Tuesday, April 20, 1897.

And, on Mr. Donaldson's further motion,

The resolution was

Adopted.

Mr. Johnson presented the bill of Thomas Rossiter for State printing,

Which, on motion was

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

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

"An act to re-enact and amend Section 3 of Chapter 665, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act to incorporate the St. Augustine Marsh Company,' " passed at Dover, April 20, 1893.

Mr. McCoy 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 roads in New Castle County."

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

"An act to prevent stock from running at large, pasturing or grazing on the public highways in Christiana and Mill Creek hundreds, New Castle County."

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

House bill No. 251, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the town of Townsend,' " being Chapter 569, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware,

With amendment.

Also, House bill No. 288, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 444 of Volume 13 of the Laws of Delaware."

House bill No. 207, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Peninsular Press Company, of Wilmington, Del.,"

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (H. B. No. 306) entitled

“An act to incorporate the South Side Railway Company,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (H. B. No. 309) entitled

“An act granting to Thomas Coates the title of the State of Delaware to a certain tract of land situated in Sussex County,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Donaldson, the bill (H. B. No. 303) entitled

“An act to incorporate the Delaware Life Insurance Company,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Thompson, the bill (H. B. No. 311) entitled

“An act to reincorporate the Lewes River (formerly Lewes Creek) Improvement Company,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Adams, the bill (H. B. No. 312) entitled

“An act to straighten a public road in Mispillion hundred,
Kent County, Delaware,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands.

Mr. Thompson moved that House bill No. 113, entitled

“An act to amend act of incorporation of the Wilmington and
New Castle Electric Railway Company, said acts being Chapter
707, Volume 19 of the Laws of Delaware, and Chapter 87, Vol-
ume 20 of the Laws of Delaware,”

Be taken up for consideration,

Third reading and final passage.

Pending discussion of which

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

Same Day—3 o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker presented the following communication,

Which, on motion, was read as follows:

Camden, Del, April 14, 1897.

Hon. E. .B Riggins:

Dear Sir: Fruitland Grange of Camden, Del., unanimously adopted the following resolution:

"We respectfully request the Legislature to grant such additional corporate powers as are necessary, under proper restrictions and safeguards, to enable the W. & N. C. C. R. Co., to extend their line down the State, to the end that our facilities for travel and transportation may be increased and cheapened."

Yours very truly,

E. H. BANCROFT,
Secretary Pro Tempore.

The Speaker also presented petitions from numerous citizens of New Castle County in favor of passage of House bill No. 113,

Which were read.

Renewal of the motion to take up for consideration and final passage of House bill No. 113, entitled

"An act to amend act of incorporation of the Wilmington and New Castle Electric Railway Company, said act being Chapter 707, Volume 19 of the Laws of Delaware, and Chapter 87, Volume 20 of the Laws of Delaware,"

On which question the yeas and nays were called for.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Davis, Dukes, Short, Thompson, Wilson—6.

Nays—Messrs. Cheairs, Dempsey, Donaldson, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Smith, Whitney, Mr. Speaker—12.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was declared

Lost.

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

Senate bill No. 94, entitled

“An act to divorce James A. Daniels from his wife, Eliza J. Daniels.”

Senate bill No. 38, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Citizens’ Trust and Insurance Company.”

Mr. Doherty, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, returned to the House the following duly and correctly enrolled House bills, the same having been signed by the Speakers of both Houses:

House bill No. 75, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Central Market Company.”

House bill No. 191, entitled

“An act to divorce Mary Herbert from her husband, Paul F. Herbert.”

House bill No. 189, entitled

“An act to divorce Henry F. Stroud from Louela Stroud, his wife.”

House bill No. 227, entitled

"An act to incorporate Clayton Lodge No. 5, Shield of Honor."

House bill No. 178, entitled

"An act to divorce Eva S. Gregg from her husband, William M. Gregg."

House bill No. 122, entitled

"An act to divorce Joseph P. Fryling from his wife, Dellie E. Fryling."

House bill No. 152, entitled

"An act to divorce J. Curtis James from his wife, Emma L. James."

House bill No. 192, entitled

"An act to divorce Mary E. Montesi from James Montesi."

House bill No. 165, entitled

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

House bill No. 124 entitled

"An act to divorce William W. Jones and Fannie Jones, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony."

House bill No. 166, entitled

"An act to re-enact, revive and renew the act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Beneficial Society of the United Children of the Light,' " passed at Dover, January 26, 1877.

House bill No. 160, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Comegys Free Library Association of the State of Delaware."

House bill No. 96, entitled

"A bill entitled 'An act supplementary to Chapter 84 of the Acts of Assembly of 1895, incorporating the Queen Anne's Railroad Company, in the State of Delaware, to authorize the said company to extend its line in this State and granting certain additional privileges and powers thereto.'"

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

House bill No. 263, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Back Bay Ditch Company."

House bill No. 258, entitled

"An act to divorce William S. Wiley from his wife, Kate L. Wiley."

House bill No. 293, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act authorizing the Superior Court of New Castle County to make certain rules.'"

House bill No. 189, entitled

"An act to divorce Katie S. Heal from Harry E. Heal."

House bill No. 225, entitled

"An act to divorce Elizabeth P. Rulon from William H. Rulon."

House bill No. 103, entitled

"An act to divorce Benjamin Doran from his wife, Sarah J. Doran."

And returned the same to the House.

Substitute for House bill No. 131, entitled

"An act amending the act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Union Cemetery Company of Georgetown,' " being Chapter 483, Volume 16, pamphlet Laws of Delaware.

Also, that the Senate had non-concurred in House bill No. 159, entitled 'An act making the Lancaster pike and the Newport intersection a county road.' "

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. Doherty, 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. 111, entitled

"An act to divorce Mary Josephine Reed from her husband, Joseph Howard Reed, a vinculo matrimonii."

Senate bill No. 170, entitled

"An act to change the name of Elizabeth Cook to that of Bessie Wright, and to make her by adoption a daughter and heir-at-law of Elisha Wright, of Willow Grove, Del."

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (H. B. No. 305) entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to fix the time for holding the Superior Court and Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Jail Delivery in several counties of this State,' "

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (H. B. No. 304) entitled

“An act for the relief of Effie Strawbridge Cobb,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

On motion of Mr. Speaker, the bill (H. B. No. 310) entitled

“An act to lay out a new public road in Sussex County,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands.

On motion of Mr. Dukes, the bill (H. B. No. 308) entitled

“An act to incorporate the Rehoboth Land and Improvement Company, of Sussex County,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (H. B. No. 164) entitled

"An act to divorce Annie Clee from her husband, James Clee, a vinculo matrimonii,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (H. B. No. 146) entitled

"An act to divorce Howard B. Springer from his wife, Sarah W. Springer,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Donaldson the bill (H. B. No. 294) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Christiana Yacht Company, of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Dukes, Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Short, Smith, Thompson, Whitney, Mr. Speaker—17

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (S. B. No. 120) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Insurance Company,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Dukes, Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Smith, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (S. B. No. 148) entitled

“An act to revive and re-enact an act entitled ‘An act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional Notary Public for the City of Wilmington,’ ”

Was taken up for consideration.

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes, Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Smith, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Eliason, the bill (H. B. No. 281) entitled

“An act to incorporate the Security Loan Association,”

Was taken up for consideration.

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes, Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Smith, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dukes, the bill (H. B. No. 278) entitled

“An act to authorize the Levy Court of Sussex County to

take up and keep in repair a certain public road in Baltimore hundred, Sussex County,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Cheairs, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 100, entitled

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

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Hazell moved to indefinitely postpone further consideration of this bill,

Which motion Prevailed.

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 7, entitled

"An act to change the name of Mary C. Steele,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill (S. B. No. 7) entitled

"An act to change the name of Mary C. Steele,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion the House adjourned until Thursday, 10 o'clock, A. M.

Thursday, April 15, 1897—10 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes, Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, McCoy, McCullough, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Standing Committee reports.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Elections, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 240, entitled

“An act to divide New Castle hundred into four election districts,”

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Cheairs, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 213, entitled

“An act authorizing the abolishing of grade crossings of steam railroads and highways in the City of Wilmington,”

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Cheairs, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 69, entitled

"An act to incorporate the town of Ellendale,"

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Cheairs moved that further consideration of this bill be indefinitely postponed,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Cheairs, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 212, entitled

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

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Cheairs, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 214, entitled

"An act to vacate a portion of Hawley street in the City of Wilmington,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 313, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Newark Building and Loan Association,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 239, entitled

"An act to divorce Edward L. Compton from his wife, Carrie Compton,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 324) entitled

“An act to incorporate Diamond Council, No. 5, Junior Order United American Mechanics,”

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

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

On motion of Mr. Thompson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 326) entitled

“An act to amend an act in relation to the admission of insane persons to the Delaware State Hospital at Farnhurst,” passed at Dover, April 12, 1893,

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

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

On motion of Mr. Dukes,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 327) entitled

“An act to incorporate the Peninsular Camp Meeting and Summer School Association,”

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

Mr. Doherty, 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. 162, entitled

"An act to incorporate Star of Bethel Lodge, No. 19, of Brandywine hundred in New Castle County, Delaware."

Senate bill No. 167, entitled

"An act to revive and re-enact an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Horsepen Drain Ditch Company.'"

Senate bill No. 132, entitled

"An act to enable the Guarantee Storage and Warehouse Company to hold real estate."

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

House bill No. 177, entitled

"An act to incorporate Riverside Brick Works,"

With amendments.

On motion of Mr. McCoy, the bill (H. B. No. 325) entitled

"An act in relation to roads in New Castle County,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. McCoy, 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 Roads and Vacant Lands.

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

On motion of Mr. Donaldson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 328) entitled

"An act to re-enact and amend Section 3, Chapter 665, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,"

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

Mr. Cheairs offered a joint resolution entitled

"House joint resolution paying the expenses of the office of the Superintendent of Public Schools, of New Castle County,"

Which, on his motion, was read,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Dukes, the bill (H. B. No. 318) entitled

"An act to divide Baltimore hundred in Sussex County into two voting districts and establish a voting place in each district,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill (S. B. No. 126) entitled

"An act to divorce Annie Harris from her husband, Thomas H. Harris,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Eliason, the bill (H. B. No. 314) entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 11, Volume 15, Delaware Laws,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. McCoy, the bill (H. B. No. 319) entitled

"An act in relation to holding the annual school election in New Castle County, exclusive of incorporated cities and towns,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. J. H. Hopkins, the bill (H. B. No. 322) entitled

"An act to transfer the farm of William Artis from School District No. 18, in Kent County, to united School Districts Nos. 96 and 133½, in said county,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill (H. B. No. 316) entitled

"An act to divorce Anna M. Bosman from her husband, Revel Bosman, a vinculo matrimonii,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (H. B. No. 315) entitled

“An act to authorize the State Board of Education to add a system for teaching vertical writing to the official list of school books,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (H. B. No. 307) entitled

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to reincorporate the town of Smyrna,’ ”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (H. B. No. 321) entitled

“An act to amend Section 55 of Chapter 120 of the Revised Code of 1893,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Donaldson, the bill (H. B. No. 313) entitled

“An act to incorporate the Newark Building and Loan Association,”

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes, Eliason, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, McCoy, McCullough, Smith, Thompson, Whitney, Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Eliason, the bill (S. B. No. 140) entitled

"An act to authorize the clerk of the Orphans' Court and Register in Chancery in and for Kent County to make an examination of the funds deposited in said courts and record the same in separate dockets,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

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

"An act to amend and supplement Chapter 152, Volume 15 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act to incorporate the City of New Castle, as at present amended and supplemented.'"

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

"An act to divide the North Election District of Brandywine hundred into two districts."

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

"An act in relation to collection of road tax in Brandywine hundred, New Castle County."

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

"An act entitled 'An act to reincorporate the town of Newark.'"

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

"An act to incorporate the Wilmington Building Company."

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

"An act to incorporate the Hart & Quigley Company."

Mr. McCullough 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 incorporate the Chandles Trustee Company.'"

Mr. Cheairs 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 improve and promote the colored schools in the State of Delaware.'"

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

"An act to divorce Anna M. Reybold from her husband, George M. T. Reybold."

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

"An act to authorize the appointment of an additional Notary Public in and for Kent County."

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill (S. B. No. 155) entitled

"An act for the renewal of the charter of the Phoenix Fire Company, in the City of Wilmington, under the name of the Phoenix Fire Company, No. 4, of Wilmington, Delaware, and for other purposes,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes, Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, McCoy, McCullough, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

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

Same Day—3 o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (H. B. No. 212) entitled

“An act to authorize the Mayor and Council of Wilmington to borrow a certain sum of money,”

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion,

The bill was laid on the table until Monday next.

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 329) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Bimetallic Publishing Company, of the State of Delaware,"

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

On motion of Mr. Short, House bill No. 264, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act requiring a license for the carrying on the business of opening oysters for the purpose of exportation from this State,' being Chapter 551, Volume 12, Laws of Delaware,

Was referred back to the committee.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (S. B. No. 154) entitled

"An act to reincorporate and renew the Fame Hose Company, No. 1, of the City of Wilmintgon, under the name of the Fame Fire Company, No. 6, of Wilmington, Delaware, and for other purposes,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

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Yeas—Messrs. Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Dukes, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, McCoy, Short, Smith, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—15.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

Mr. Hazell 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 incorporate a company for making a turnpike road from the borough of Wilmington to the line between this State and Pennsylvania, at or near the house now occupied by Charles Twaddle.’ ”

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

“An act to amend Chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes.”

Mr. Hazell 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 in relation to the settlement of a deceased person’s interest in firms and copartnerships,’ ” passed at Dover, May 2, 1893.

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

“An act relating to the defacing of private property.”

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (H. B. No. 292) entitled

“An act to incorporate Stars and Stripes Council of United American Mechanics,”

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Dukes, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, McCoy, Short, Smith, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (H. B. No. 214) entitled

"An act to vacate a portion of Hawley street, in the City of Wilmington,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Short moved that the bill be laid on the table for future consideration.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (H. B. No. 323) entitled

"An act to divorce Purnell J. Messick from his wife, Elizabeth Messick,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (H. B. No. 317) entitled

"An act providing a stenographer for the Court of Chancery,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

The Speaker presented petitions from citizens of Port Penn and Delaware City, in New Castle County, in favor of passage of House bill No. 113,

Which were read.

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 330) entitled

"An act to divorce Lucretia Hitch from her husband, William S. Hitch,"

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

On motion of Mr. Wilson, the bill (H. B. No. 253) entitled

"An act to transfer the farm of Berend W. Meyer from

School District No. 13 to School Districts Nos. 18, 60, 90, 91, 92 and 101,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McCoy, the bill (S. B. No. 139) entitled

"An act to incorporate Stars and Stripes Publishing Company,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Dukes, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, McCoy, Short, Smith, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. L. S. Hopkins, the bill (S. B. No. 132) entitled

"An act to enable the Guarantee Storage and Warehouse Company to hold real estate,"

Was read a first time.

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

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

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. J. H. Hopkins, the bill (S. B. No. 91) entitled

"An act to divorce Mary A. Garrett from Howard W. Garrett, a vinculo matrimonii,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Hopkins, 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 Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Dukes, the bill (S. B. No. 153) entitled

"An act to transfer the lands of William C. J. Wilson from School Districts Nos. 3, 175 and 175½ to School District No. 117, in Sussex County,"

Was read a first time.

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

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

Referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill (S. B. No. 167) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Horsepen Drain Ditch Company,"

Was read a first time.

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

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

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. L. S. Hopkins, the bill (S. B. No. 162) entitled

"An act to incorporate Star of Bethel Lodge, No. 19, of Brandywine hundred, New Castle County, State of Delaware,"

Was read a first time.

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

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

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of J. H. Hopkins, the bill (S. B. No. 111) entitled

"An act to divorce Mary Josephine Reed from her husband, Joseph Howard Reed, a vinculo matrimonii,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Hopkins, 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 Divorces.

On motion of Mr. L. S. Hopkins, the bill (S. B. No. 170) entitled

"An act to change the name of Elizabeth Cook to the name of Bessie Wright and to make her by adoption a daughter and heir-at-law of Elisha Wright, of Willow Grove, Delaware,"

Was read a first time.

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

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

Referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

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

"An act to revive and re-enact an act entitled 'An act to per-

manently improve th condition of certain public roads in New Castle County,'” being Chapter 670, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, which was revived and re-enacted April 19, 1895.

On motion the House adjourned until 10 o'clock, A. M., Friday.

Friday, April 16, 1897—10 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present—Messrs. Adams, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Standing Committee reports.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Elections, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 318, entitled

“An act to divide Baltimore hundred in Sussex County into two voting districts and to establish a voting place in each district,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 314, entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 11, Volume 15, Delaware Laws,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 320, entitled

“An act to amend Section 12 of Chapter 23, Volume 19 of the Laws of Delaware,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 262, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 653, Volume 19 of the Laws of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House without recommendation.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 162, entitled

"An act to incorporate Star of Bethel Lodge, No. 19, of Brandywine hundred, New Castle County, State of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 126, entitled

"An act to divorce Annie Harris from her husband, Thomas H. Harris,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the Senate bill No. 119, entitled

"An act to divorce Alexander B. Russell from his wife, Ella B. Russell,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 136) entitled

"An act to divorce Sallie Sholes from her husband, Robert Sholes,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 65, entitled

"An act divorcing Caroline A. Shandley and Thomas J. Shandley, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 91, entitled

"An act to divorce Mary A. Garrett from Howard W. Garrett, a vinculo matrimonii,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 111, entitled

"An act to divorce Mary Josephine Reed from her husband, Joseph Howard Reed, a vinculo matrimonii,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 279, entitled

"An act to divorce Keziah Bell Zebley from her husband, John Allison Zebley,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Wilson, on behalf of the Committee on Temperance, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 244, entitled

"An act in relation to the sale of cider within the hundreds of Seaford and North West Fork, Sussex County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 304, entitled

“An act for the relief of Effie Strawbridge Cobb,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

“An act to transfer certain real estate from School District No. 49 to School District No. 84, in Kent County, and for other purposes.”

Mr. Donaldson 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 the Newark Building and Loan Association.”

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

“An act to amend Chapter 639, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware.”

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

“An act to amend Chapter 630, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware.”

Mr. Johnson 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 Sussex County.”

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

"An act in relation to expert witnesses."

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

"An act to revive and re-enact and act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Delaware Terminal Railway Company,' " passed at Dover, May 15, 1891.

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

"An act to prevent pond fishing in New Castle County."

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

On motion of Mr. Short,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 333) entitled

"An act to revive and re-enact an act entitled 'An act to permanently improve the condition of certain roads in New Castle County,' " being Chapter 670, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, which was revived and re-enacted April 19, 1895,

Which, on motion of Mr. Dempsey, was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Dempsey, 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 Roads and Vacant Lands.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill (H. B. No. 327) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Peninsula Camp Meeting and Summer School Association,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (H. B. No. 330) entitled

"An act to divorce Lucretia R. Hitch from her husband, William S. Hitch,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 332) entitled

"An act to further protect fish in Broadkilm river and sound,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Short, was read a first time.

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

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

Referred to the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game.

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 331) entitled

"An act to further protect oysters in Broadkilm river and sound,"

Which, on motion of Mr. Short, was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Short, 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. Hazell, the bill (H. B. No. 324) entitled

“An act to incorporate Diamond Council, No. 5, Junior Order United American Mechanics,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (H. B. No. 326) entitled

“An act to amend an act in relation to the admission of insane persons to the Delaware State Hospital at Farnhurst,” passed at Dover, April 12, 1893,

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill (S. B. No. 161) entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 117 of Volume 13 of the Laws of Delaware,”

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Taylor, 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. Wilson, the bill (H. B. No. 329) entitled

“An act to incorporate the Bimetallic Publishing Company of the State of Delaware,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

The Speaker presented petitions from citizens of Sussex County, favoring the passage of House bill No. 113,

Which, on motion, were read.

Also, petitions from citizens of Odessa, in New Castle County in favor of same bill,

Which, on motion, were read.

Also, from citizens of St. Georges, in New Castle County, in favor of same bill,

Which, on motion, were read.

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

Senate bill No. 112, entitled

“An act to divorce Annie F. Edmonds and Milton J. Edmonds.”

Senate bill No. 102, entitled

“An act to divorce John W. Sanderson from his wife, Mary L. Sanderson.”

Senate bill No. 123, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Laurel Publishing Company.”

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

House bill No. 43, entitled

“An act authorizing the appointment of an additional Notary Public for New Castle County.”

Also, that the Senate had non-concurred in House bill No. 209, entitled

“An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 140, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware.”

House bill No. 269, entitled

“An act to amend an act limiting judgment liens upon real estate and for other purposes,” being Chapter 778, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,

And returned the same to the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Smith,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 334) entitled

"An act to authorize the appointment of an additional Notary Public in and for Kent County,"

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

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

House bill No. 293, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act authorizing the Superior Court in and for New Castle County to make certain rules.'"

House bill No. 106, entitled

"An act to appoint Elias S. R. Butler, trustee to sell the lands of Sallie R. Butler, in Sussex County, and empower him to grant a good and sufficient deed for the same."

House bill No. 171, entitled

"An act to divorce Keziah F. Hayes and her husband, Richard E. Hayes, from the bonds of matrimony."

House bill No. 98, entitled

"An act to incorporate the College Settlement Company."

Also, House joint resolution entitled

"Joint resolution in relation to the laws governing the general elections."

House bill No. 188, entitled

"An act to divorce Mary S. Stanton from her husband, Nathan Stanton."

House bill No. 210, entitled

"An act to incorporate Union Castle, No. 17, Knights of the Golden, Eagle, Smyrna, Delaware."

House bill No. 172, entitled

"An act in relation to the appointment and elections in and for the State of Delaware, exclusive of the City of Wilmington."

House bill No. 85, entitled

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

House bill No. 230, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 628, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware."

House bill No. 168, entitled

"An act to re-enact, revive and renew the act entitled 'An act to incorporate Union American Circle Friendship, located in Delaware,' " passed at Dover, March 1, 1875.

House bill No. 204, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Beaver Dam Ditch Company, in Baltimore hundred, Sussex County, Delaware.' "

House bill No. 206, entitled

"An act to incorporate the New Castle News Publishing Company."

House bill No. 154, entitled

"An act to further amend the act entitled 'An act for incorporating the Friendship Fire Company, of the borough of Wil-

mington,'” being Chapter 168, Volume 3, Laws of Delaware, passed at Dover, January 15, 1805 and amended by a private act passed at Dover, March 29, 1871.

House bill No. 265, entitled

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to improve and promote the colored schools in this State,’” being Chapter 17, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware.

House bill No. 184, entitled

“An act to divorce George E. Warrington from his wife, Mary E. Warrington.”

House bill No. 220, entitled

“An act transferring the farm of William S. Martin from School District No. 132, in Sussex County to School District No. 18, in Sussex County.”

House joint resolution entitled

“House joint resolution appointing a Joint Committee to examine and audit the accounts of the State Librarian and to settle with him.”

House bill No. 190, entitled

“An act concerning the town of Middletown.”

House bill No. 202, entitled

“A further supplement to an act entitled ‘An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Delaware, and for other purposes.’” Chapter 36, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware.

House bill No. 194, entitled

“An act authorizing School District No. 52 in Sussex County to borrow money for building purposes.”

Mr. Doherty, 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. 169, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes,"

And presented the same to the House.

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

"An act, a general act relating to negotiable instruments, being an act to establish a law uniform with the laws of other states on that subject."

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

"An act to incorporate the Rehoboth and Ocean View Railway Company."

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

"An act to repeal and supply Chapter 37, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware."

Mr. McCoy 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 Road Commissioners of New Castle hundred, New Castle County, Delaware."

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

"An act to incorporate the Christiana, Newport and Wilmington Electric Railway Company."

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

"An act to further protect the public health."

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

"An act to incorporate the Excelsior Building and Loan Association."

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

"An act to incorporate the Delaware and Peninsula Railway Company."

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

"An act to transfer the lands of Henry B. Mitchell and the residence of Charles W. Mitchell from School District No. 144 to School District No. 189, Sussex County."

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

"An act in relation to costs in criminal cases before Justices of the Peace."

Mr. W. R. Davis 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 taxation of Vesee property."

Mr. J. H. Hopkins 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, Section 4 of the Revised Code."

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

"An act in relation to roads and highways of New Castle County."

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

"An act to provide for the registration of voters of the State of Delaware, exclusive of the City of Wilmington."

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

"An act in relation to dogs running at large in New Castle County."

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

"An act providing a ballot law."

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

"An act to punish non-residents who interfere in elections in this State."

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

"An act to divorce Mary F. Demby from her husband, Thomas H. Demby."

Mr. Short 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 raise revenue and provide for the current expenses of the State government.'"

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

"An act to further amend an act entitled 'An act to raise revenue and provide for the current expenses of the State government.'"

Mr. Short 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 incorporating the Rehoboth Beach Association."

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

"An act requiring persons engaged in the livery business to take out a license."

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

"An act in regards to non-residents doing business in this State."

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

"An act to establish and maintain a State Board of Agriculture and define its powers and duties."

Mr. McCoy 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 certain marsh owners in the City of Wilmington."

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

"An act to incorporate the Diamond State Lumber Company."

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

"An act to suppress bribery at elections."

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

"An act providing for the purity of the ballot in this State."

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

"An act to incorporate the Greenwood Manufacturing Company."

Mr. Dempsey moved that when the House adjourn it adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (S. B. No. 169) entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 18 of the Revised Code,"

Was read a first time.

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

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

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

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

"An act to amend Chapter 653, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware."

On motion the House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

Same Day—2 o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 169, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 18 of the Revised Code,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Rule 12 was suspended and

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (S. B. No. 169) entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 18 of the Revised Code,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Senate amendments to House bill No. 177, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Riverside Brick Works,”

Were read as follows:

Amend House bill No. 177 by inserting before the word “and,” in the second line of Section 1, the following names: “Samuel Isenschmid, James W. Ponder, William H. Baker.”

Amend House bill No. 177, as follows: By adding at the end of Section 2 the following words, viz: “Provided, however, that at least four thousand dollars shall have been fully paid in on its capital stock before the said corporation shall be authorized to commence business under this act.”

Amend House bill No. 177 by striking out the words “may be in the City of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania,” in the second and third lines of Section 3, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: “shall be in the City of Wilmington, State of Delaware.”

Amend House bill No. 177 by adding to Section 3 the following: “Branch offices of the said corporation may be located at such place or places as its Board of Directors may determine.”

Adopted in the Senate, April 14, 1897.

Extract from Journal.

S. P. DOHERTY,

Clerk of Senate.

On the question, "Shall the amendments be concurred in?"

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCullough, Short, Smith, Taylor, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendments having received the required constitutional majority,

Were declared

Concurred in.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Doherty, 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. 172, entitled

"An act to incorporate William D. Mullen Company."

Mr. Doherty, 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 Speakers of both Houses:

House bill No. 293, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act authorizing the Superior Court in and for New Castle County to make certain rules.'"

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (H. B. No. 239) entitled

"An act to divorce Edward L. Compton from his wife, Carrie Compton,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (H. B. No. 291) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Call Printing Company,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Davis, Dempsey, Dukes, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCullough, Short, Smith, Taylor, Whitney, Mr. Speaker—15.

Nays—None.

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

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (H. B. No. 279) entitled

"An act to divorce Keziah Bell Zebley from her husband,
John Allison Zebley,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (H. B. No. 304) entitled

"An act for the relief of Effie Strawbridge Cobb,"

Was taken up for consideration.

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Whitney, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 333, entitled

"An act to revive and re-enact an act entitled 'An act to permanently improve the condition of certain public roads in New Castle County,' " being Chapter 670, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, which was revived and re-enacted April 18, 1895,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 164, entitled

"An act to divorce Gertrude P. Kitchen from her husband, William T. Kitchen,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Dempsey 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 School District No. 29, in New Castle County."

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

"An act to incorporate the Commercial Ice and Coal Company."

Rule 12 was suspended and

On motion of Mr. Whitney, the bill (H. B. No. 333) entitled

"An act to revive and re-enact an act entitled 'An act to permanently improve the condition of certain public roads in New Castle County,' " being Chapter 670, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (S. B. No. 164) entitled

"An act to divorce Gertrude P. Kitchen from her husband, William T. Kitchen,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill (S. B. No. 126) entitled

"An act to divorce Annie Harris from her husband, Thomas H. Harris,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. L. S. Hopkins, the bill (H. B. No. 320) entitled

"An act to amend Section 12 of Chapter 23, Volume 19 of the Laws of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 335) entitled

"An act to reduce the legal rate of interest to five per cent.,"

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

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (H. B. No. 266) entitled

"An act to authorize the clerk of the Orphans' Court of Sussex County to make new indices of certain records in said office,"

Was taken up for consideration.

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dukes, the bill (H. B. No. 318) entitled

"An act to divide Baltimore hundred, in Sussex County into two voting districts and to establish a voting place in each district,"

Was taken up for consideration.

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Whitney, the bill (H. B. No. 284) entitled

"An act to lay out a new public road in North West Fork hundred, Sussex County,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion the House adjourned until 10 o'clock, A. M., Monday.

Monday, April 19, 1897—10 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes, Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Standing Committee reports.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 132, entitled

“An act to enable Guarantee Storage and Warehouse Company to hold real estate,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably,

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 329, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Bimetallic Publishing Company, of the State of Delaware,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corpora-

tions, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 327, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Peninsula Camp Meeting and Summer School Association,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 170, entitled

"An act to change the name of Elizabeth Cook to the name of Bessie Wright, and to make her by adoption a daughter and heir-at-law of Elisha Wright, of Willow Grove, Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Dempsey, on behalf of the Special Joint Committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the Delaware State Hospital, reported progress.

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 336) entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to improve and promote the colored schools in this State,'"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 337) entitled

"An act for the relief of certain marsh owners in the City of Wilmington,"

Which, on motion of Mr. McCoy, was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. McCoy, 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 Roads and Vacant Lands.

On motion of Mr. Adams, the bill (H. B. No. 338) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Greenwood Manufacturing Company,"

Was read a first time.

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

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

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Whitney, the bill (H. B. No. 339) entitled

"An act to change and straighten a part of a public road in Indian River hundred, Sussex County,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Whitney, 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 Roads and Vacant Lands.

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (H. B. No. 340) entitled

"An act to divorce Elnora Williamson, usually known as Dolly Williamson, from her husband, Robert H. Williamson,"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. Short, 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 Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill (H. B. No. 342) entitled

"An act to transfer certain real estate from School District No. 49 to School District No. 84, in Kent County,"

Was read a first time.

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

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

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Dempsey offered a resolution,

Which, on his motion, was read as follows:

"Resolution in regard to giving notices of bills:

Be it resolved the resolution limiting the time that bills shall follow the notices, is hereby rescinded and made of no effect."

And further on motion of Mr. Dempsey,

The resolution was

Adopted.

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

House bill No. 288, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 444 of Volume 13 of the Laws of Delaware."

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

On motion of Mr. Dukes,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 341) entitled

"An act in relation to expert witnesses,"

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

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill (S. B. No. 172) entitled

"An act to incorporate the William D. Mullen Company,"

Was read a first time.

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

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

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. McCoy, the bill (H. B. No. 343) entitled

"An act to amend and supplement Chapter 152 of Volume 15 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act to incorporate the City of New Castle as at present amended and supplemented,'"

Was read a first time.

On the further motion of Mr. McCoy, 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. Smith, Senate bill No. 18, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 161, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act to reincorporate the town of Milford,'"

Was referred back to the committee for further consideration.

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

House bill No. 24, entitled

"An act to divorce Mary E. Warrington from her husband, Rufus W. Warrington."

House bill No. 228, entitled

"An act to divorce Wesley T. Wright from Lizzie Wright."

And returned the same to the House.

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

"An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate in the town of Seaford and make valid certain conveyances relative thereto."

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

"An act to provide for an additional constable in Sussex County."

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

"An act to equalize taxation and for other purposes."

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

"An act to incorporate the Georgetown Park Association."

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

"An act to amend Section 10, Chapter 9 of the Revised Code, entitled 'Clerk of the Peace.'"

Mr. Short 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 raise revenue and provide for the current expenses of the State government,' being Chapter 117, Volume 13, Laws of Delaware."

Mr. Short 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 publication of slanderous or libelous articles of any kind."

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

"An act to tax for county purposes the income from certain investments."

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

"An act to amend Chapter 146, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware."

Mr. Donaldson 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 taxing of corporations in this State, or corporations doing business in this State."

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

"An act to appoint three commissioners to lay out a new public road in Baltimore hundred, Sussex County."

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

"An act to amend the charter of the Enterprise Manufacturing and Supply Company."

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

"An act in relation to auctions and auctioneers in the City of Wilmington."

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

"An act to amend Chapter 34, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware."

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

"An act to authorize the establishment of a savings bank in the town of Lewes."

Mr. Donaldson 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 submission of the Constitution, now being framed by the convention, created by Chapter 183, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware to the voters of the State of Delaware for their ratification and approval."

Mr. Donaldson 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, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act providing for a convention.'"

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

"An act fixing the salary of the Coroner of Kent County, and for other purposes."

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

"An act to divorce James S. Melvin and Sallie C. Melvin from the holy bonds of matrimony."

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

"An act of a further supplement to the charter of the town of Laurel."

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

"An act to levy a special tax in Little Creek hundred, Sussex County for the use of the public roads and other purposes."

Mr. Speaker 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 cemeteries."

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

"An act entitled 'A further supplement to the incorporated public schools of Laurel and vicinity.'"

Mr. Donaldson 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 relief of the taxpayers of New Castle County."

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

"An act to tax vessels and ship property in the State of Delaware."

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

"An act to provide additional revenue for the State."

Mr. Donaldson 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 building of a State House."

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

"An act to authorize the Attorney General to appear and defend the suit pending in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware in and for Sussex County, wherein the Delaware, Maryland and Virginia Railroad Company, a corporation existing under the laws of this State, are complainants, and William F. Smith and others, under the partnership name of John Jacoby & Company are defendants."

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

"An act to appoint three commissioners to lay out a new public road in Gumboro hundred, Sussex County."

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

"An act to divorce Samuel W. Wright and Mary E. Wright from the bonds of matrimony."

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

"An act to amend and supplement Chapter 23, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware."

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

"An act to repeal Chapter 11, Volume 9, Laws of Delaware."

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

"An act to straighten and vacate the old road between Greenwood and St. Johnstown, in North West Fork and Nanticoke hundreds, Sussex County, Delaware."

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

"An act to amend Chapter 503, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware."

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

"An act to legalize a half holiday on Saturday afternoon in St. Georges hundred, New Castle County."

Mr. Taylor 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 in relation to road taxes in Blackbird hundred, New Castle County,' " being Chapter 574, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware.

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

"An act to exempt live stock from taxation."

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

"An act to exempt \$500 of real estate improvements from taxation."

Mr. Dempsey 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 assessors and collectors' clerks of the City of Wilmington."

Mr. Thompson 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 incorporate the Delaware Exhibition Company.' "

Mr. Thompson 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 Lewes, Delaware, to bond the town for certain purposes."

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

"An act to have an additional Justice of the Peace appointed by the Governor for Broadkilm hundred, Sussex County, Delaware."

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

"An act to divorce George A. Johnson from his wife, Mary E. Johnson, Sussex County, Delaware."

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

"A supplement to an act entitled 'An act in relation to the proposed canal intended as a free inland waterway connecting Assawoman bay with Delaware bay.'"

Mr. Cheairs 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 challenging of jurors in jury trials."

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

"An act to put all the free schools of the State (exclusive of the City of Wilmington) under the supervision of the county superintendents."

Mr. Cheairs 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, Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware."

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

"An act governing primary elections in New Castle County, exclusive of the City of Wilmington."

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

"An act in relation to taxation of corporations."

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

"An act in relation to taxation in certain parts of the City of Wilmington."

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

"An act to lay out a public road in Seaford-hundred, Sussex County."

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

"An act to equalize the county appropriations to the towns in Sussex County."

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

"An act to burst the Kent County mandamus."

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

"An act to authorize the recorder of deeds in and for New Castle County to make certain indices."

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

"An act in relation to crimes."

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

"An act to prevent the publication of judgments for the purpose of sale."