

"An act to amend Chapter 34 of the Revised Statutes, concerning Constables,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

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

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the James & Webb Printing and Stationery Company,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

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

"An act to incorporate the Cathedral Cemetery Company, of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Reported the same back, with an amendment, with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The bill just reported to the House was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion,

The amendment was

Adopted,

And further, on his motion,

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas — Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson,

Townsend, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

“An act to incorporate the Union Cemetery Company, of Georgetown,”

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

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 yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Townsend, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. McNeal presented a claim of Thomas Cox against the State of Delaware,

Which,

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,
 The Senate bill entitled,
 "An act to establish a public road in Brandywine hundred,"
 Was read a second time by its title,
 And further, on his motion,
 Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,
 The Senate bill entitled,
 "An act to incorporate the Union Methodist Episcopal Church, of
 Gumboro' hundred, Sussex county,"
 Was read a second time by its title,
 And, on his further motion,
 Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Swayne,
 The Senate bill entitled,
 "An act to vacate the old Snuff Mill Lane or Road in the City of
 Wilmington,"
 Was read.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to
 whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act in relation to arrests for debts not due,"
 Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,
 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?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. McWhorter, member of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the bill entitled,

“An act to divorce Robert Alvin Cochran and Emma Cochran *a vinculo matrimonii*,”

And presented the same to the House.

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

“An act relating to the proof of the genuineness of disputed writings.”

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,
The Senate bill entitled

“An act to authorize the laying out of a public road in North Murderkill hundred, in Kent county,”

Was read a second time by its title,
And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,
The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to amend Chapter 73 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled ‘Of the City of Wilmington,’ relating to the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages,”

Was read a second time by its title,
And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

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

“An act to incorporate the New Castle Cemetery Company,”

Reported the same back to the House, with an amendment, and with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,
The bill was taken up for consideration,
And, on his further motion,

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

Amend Section 7 by striking out the word "ten," in the eleventh line, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "two."

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The amendment was

Adopted,

And, on his further motion,

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

And on the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Townsend, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof and the bill returned to that body, with the request that the Senate concur in the House amendment.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The Senate bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Front and Union Street Railway Company,'"

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

The bill entitled,

"An act to transfer certain lands from School District No. 42 to School District No. 122, Sussex 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. Stayton,
 The bill entitled,
 "An act authorizing William J. Carlisle to straighten a public road
 in Nanticoke hundred, Sussex county,"
 Was read a second time by its title,
 And, on his further motion,
 Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Graham,
 The bill entitled,
 "An act to appoint freeholders to lay out a road in Duck Creek
 hundred, Kent county,"
 Was read a second time by its title,
 And, on his further motion,
 Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,
 The Senate joint resolution entitled,
 "Joint resolution in relation to the Farmers' Bank and its Branches,"
 Was read,
 And, on his further motion,
 The joint resolution was *Concurred in.*

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

On motion of Mr. Cahall,
 The Senate bill entitled,
 "An act requiring the Directors of the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware and its branches, on the part of the State, to make an annual report,"

Was read.

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

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to divorce Robert Alvin Cochran and Emma Cochran *a vinculo matrimonii*,”

Was read.

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

On motion of Mr. Van Burkalow,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act for the Relief of the Heirs of James P. Walls, deceased,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Moore,

Was read.

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

“An act authorizing the improvement of the Streets in the Town of Laurel, in Sussex county,”

And presented the same to the House.

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

"An act to authorize the Levy Court of Kent county to continue in office for a period of more than three years a constable in Little Creek hundred, Kent county,"

And returned the same to the House.

He also returned the following duly and correctly enrolled House bills and joint resolutions, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz :

"An act to incorporate the Easton and McMahon Transportation Company,"

"An act to incorporate the Valley-View Cemetery Company,"

"An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 48, New Castle county,"

"An act to renew the act incorporating the Kiamensi Woolen Company,"

"An act to amend Chapter 111 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled 'Of Execution,' "

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act appointing additional times for holding the Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Jail Delivery in New Castle county,' passed at Dover, March 18, 1879,"

"An act concerning offenses against the persons of individuals,"

"An act to amend Chapter 378 of Volume 14 of the Laws of Delaware,"

"An act to amend Section 45, Chapter 111, of the Revised Code,"

"An act to further amend Chapter 73 of the Revised Statutes, entitled 'Of the City of Wilmington,' "

"An act authorizing and empowering the Town Commissioners of the Town of Seaford to sell a certain lot called Market Space,"

"An act to amend Section 29 of Chapter 89 of the Revised Code of 1852, as amended and published in 1874, entitled 'Of the Settlement of Personal Estates,' "

"An act to authorize George F. Wilson to straighten a part of the public road leading out of Long Neck, in Indian River hundred, Sussex county,"

"An act to amend Chapter 21 of Volume 14 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act to amend Chapter 390 of Volume 13 of the Laws of Delaware,' "

“A supplement to an act entitled, ‘An act to incorporate the Town of Odessa, and for other purposes,’ ”

“Joint resolution appointing a joint committee to take into consideration that part of the Governor’s message relating to Fees of Public Officers,”

“Joint resolution appointing William P. Jones Purchasing Agent for the next Legislature,” and

“Joint resolution Relating to Temperance.”

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

“An act to extend an act entitled, ‘An act to incorporate Triple Link Lodge, No. 31, I. O. O. F., of Frederica, State of Delaware,’ ”

Reported the same back with an amendment, with the recommendation that the bill, as amended, pass the House.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The bill just reported to the House was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion,

The amendment was read,

And further, on his motion,

Was

Adopted.

And, on his further motion,

The bill, as amended, 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. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Robinson, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

“An act to amend an act entitled, ‘An act to incorporate the City of New Castle,’”

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The bill just reported 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. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Robinson, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Wood-keeper and Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

“An act to incorporate the New Castle Loan Association, of New Castle,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

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 yeas and nays were ordered,
Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Robinson, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

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

“An act for the Relief of the Artisans’ Savings Bank,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The bill just reported to the House was taken up for consideration.

And further, on his 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. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, Moore, Pilling, Robinson, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—Mr. Cahall—1.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

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

“An act to revive and re-enact the act entitled, ‘An act to incorporate the New Castle Gas Company,’ ”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

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,

And, on the question, “ Shall this bill pass the House ? ”

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Robinson, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

“An act to renew the Charter of the Kennebec Ice Company and to change the name thereof,”

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

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 yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Robinson, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred a petition of Ezekiel Fleming and others, asking for a new public road in Mispillion hundred, reported a bill entitled,

“An act to lay out a new public road in Mispillion hundred, Kent county,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Swayne,

The Senate bill entitled,

“A further supplement to an act entitled ‘An Act to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Wilmington, on the east side of the Brandywine bridge, to the Pennsylvania line, in the route leading to the city of Philadelphia,’ passed at Dover, February 1, 1813, Volume 4, p. 627,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Jones presented a petition for a stock law in part of School District No. 84, in Sussex county,

Which,

On his motion, was read,

And, on his further motion,

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

Mr. Graham, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the House bill entitled,

“An act to lay out a new public road in South Murderkill hundred, Kent county,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

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,

And on the question, “Shall this bill pass the House?”

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

The bill entitled,

“An act to divorce William T. Burton and Irena Burton, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony,”

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. A. C. Williams,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to authorize the execution of a deed for certain real estate belonging to an insane person,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act to straighten a public road in Sussex county,”

Reported the same back with recommendation that the bill pass.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,
The bill was taken up for consideration,
And further, on his motion,

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

And on the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

"An act in relation to elections."

Mr. Graham, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to open a new public road in Nanticoke hundred, Sussex county,"

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

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?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

"An act in relation to illegal voting at General Elections."

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred a petition for a stock law in School District No. 151 in Sussex county, reported a bill entitled,

“An act to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 151 in Sussex county,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The bill entitled,

“An act in relation to binding apprentices by the Western Home for Poor Children and the Southern Home for Destitute Children,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act authorizing the construction of a Drawbridge over Murderkill Creek, at a point at or near Cole's Shoal Landing, in Milford hundred, Kent county,”

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

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

The report was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. A. C. Williams,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Delaware State Grange of the P. of H., of Delaware,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion the House adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, March 9, 1881—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Bradford presented a petition praying for the passage of a bill providing for a constitutional amendment giving women the right to vote,

Which,

On his motion, was read,

And, on motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Eliason presented a petition of F. A. Dunlap and others, praying for the passage of a law dividing New Castle County and for increasing the representation therefrom,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

Was read,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the special Committee on the Division of New Castle County.

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

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act relating to the proof of the genuineness of disputed writings,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 34 of the Revised Statutes, concerning Constables,"

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. Bradford,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Steam Appliance Company,"

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the James & Webb Printing and Stationery Company,"

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Swayne presented a petition for the passage of an act providing for fish ways in the streams in the northern part of the State,

Which,

On his motion, was read,

And, on his further motion,

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

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

"An act to incorporate the Jackson Lime and Marble Company."

Mr. Swayne, on behalf of the Committee on Vacant Lands, to whom was referred the petition of William Steen for a grant of Pea Island, in Rehoboth Bay, reported the same back with the recommendation that no action be taken in the premises.

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

The report was

Adopted.

Mr. Downing, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in sundry bills entitled,

“An act to provide for the Refunding of the present Bonded Debt of this State at a lower rate of interest,” and

“A further supplement to an act entitled, ‘An act to incorporate the Rehoboth Beach Camp Meeting Association of the Methodist Episcopal Church,’”

And presented the same to the House.

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

“An act to enable the Diamond Match Company to hold real estate,”

“An act to open a new public road in Nanticoke hundred, County of Sussex,”

“An act to consolidate School Districts Nos. 32 and 108, in Sussex county, under the title of ‘The Selbyville Public Schools,’”

“An act to lay out a certain public road in Broadkilm hundred,” and

“An act concerning negotiable instruments.”

He also informed the House that the Senate had indefinitely postponed the House bill entitled,

“An act to provide for the better security of life and limb in cases of fire in hotels and other buildings,”

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act to regulate the expenditure of the County Funds of New Castle county by the Levy Court of said county,”

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The bill was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Bradford moved

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until March 10th, at 3 o'clock, P. M.,

Upon which motion

Mr. Register called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas — Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Robinson, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, A. C. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—14.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall, Graham, Register, Stayton and Van Burkalow—5.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the motion

Prevailed.

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

“An act to establish a public road in Brandywine hundred,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

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?”

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

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

Mr. Graham, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act to provide for the preservation and proper maintenance of certain public roads in Duck Creek hundred, Kent county,”

Reported the same back with an amendment.

Mr. Register moved

That the bill be taken up for consideration,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Register moved

That the amendment be read,

Which motion

Prevailed,

And, on his further motion,

The amendment was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Register,

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

Mr. Tomlinson moved

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Friday morning, the 11th inst., at 9 o'clock.

Upon which motion

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eliason, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—14.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall, Eastburn, Graham, Robinson and Van Burkalow—5.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the motion

Prevailed.

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

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The adverse report of the Committee on Revised Statutes upon the House bill entitled

“An act proposing an amendment to the Constitution of this State,”

Being the order of the day,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Bradford presented the petition of Mrs. Mary A. Stuart and others for the passage of the bill,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

Mr. Bradford moved that the report of the committee be adopted.

Upon which motion

Mr. Swayne called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eliason, Graham, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Tomlinson, Townsend, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—Messrs. Eastburn and Swayne—2.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to divorce Robert Alvin Cochran and Emma Cochran *a vinculo matrimonii*,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And further, on his motion,
Was referred to the Committee on Divorces.

Mr. Van Burkalow, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and,
On motion of Mr. Moore,
Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,
“An act in relation to the Collection of Taxes for School purposes,”
Which,
On motion of Mr. Van Burkalow,
Was read.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,
The Senate bill entitled,
“An act to incorporate the Wilmington Real Estate Company,”
Was read a second time by its title,
And, on his further motion,
Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,”

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

And, on his further motion,

The report was

Adopted.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the House bill entitled,

“An act to repeal Chapter 139, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘Jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in the City of Wilmington,’ ”

Reported the same back with amendments, and with the recommendation that the bill, as amended, pass the House.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The bill just reported to the House was taken up for consideration,
 And, on his further motion,
 The amendments were read,
 And further, on his motion,
 The amendments were *Adopted*,
 And, on his further motion,

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

And, on the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Graham, Moore, Register, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—13.

Nays—Messrs. Eastburn, Eliason, Jones, McNeal, Pilling, and Robinson—6.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill *Passed the House*.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Robinson offered a resolution,

Which,

On his motion, was read, as follows:

RESOLUTION IN RELATION TO THE PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS the House has, by resolution, extended to the reporters of the various papers of this State the privilege of seats upon the floor of the House for the purpose of reporting its proceedings; and whereas certain of said reporters have not confined themselves to the legitimate and proper exercise of said privilege, but have, on different occasions, transcended the said privilege by improper and untruthful criticisms of the members of the House in their correspondence; therefore

Resolved, That any and every of such reporters as shall, in their reports or correspondence, refer to any member of this House, by name

or inuendo, whereby such member may be alluded to other than as is necessary and proper in reporting the proceedings, shall be excluded from the privileges of the floor and lobby; and it shall be the duty of the Speaker of the House to see that this resolution is enforced.

On objection being made by Mr. Bradford, under Rule 26, the consideration of the resolution was postponed.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

The bill entitled,

“An act to lay out a new public road in Mispillion hundred, Kent county,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

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

“An act relating to the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in the several Counties of this State.”

Mr. Downing, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed, with amendments, the House bill entitled,

“An act to lay out a new public road in Milford hundred, Kent county,”

And requested the concurrence of the House in the amendments.

Also, that the Senate had indefinitely postponed the House joint resolution entitled,

“Joint resolution in relation to the election of President,”

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. A. C. Williams, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to reincorporate the owners and possessors of the marsh and low ground commonly called and known by the name of the Cul-

breth Marsh, situate in North Murderkill and West Dover hundreds, in Kent county, under the title of 'The Culbreth's Marsh Ditch Company,' "

Which,

On motion of Mr. A. C. Williams,

Was read.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act in relation to Railway Tracks in the city of Wilmington,"

Reported the same back with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion,

The amendments were read,

And further, on his motion,

Were

Adopted.

And, on his further motion,

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Wood-keeper and Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to lay out a certain public road in Cedar Creek hundred, Sussex county,"

Reported the same back with recommendation that the bill pass.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

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,

And on the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act in relation to the exemption from execution process of certain personal property,' passed at Dover, March 28, 1879,"

Reported the same with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The bill just reported to the House was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion,

The amendment was read,

And further, on his motion,

Was

Adopted.

And, on his further motion,

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

Mr. T. N. Williams moved

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Wednesday next, March 16th, at 10 o'clock, A. M.,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Moore,

The bill entitled,

“An act for the Relief of the Heirs of James P. Walls, deceased,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to a special committee of three.

Whereupon

Messrs. Moore, Bradford and Jones were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Stayton,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act authorizing the improvement of the Streets in the Town of Laurel, in Sussex county,”

Was read.

The Speaker announced the following as a committee under the resolution concerning a general railroad law: Messrs. Jones, Pilling and Register.

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

“An act to amend Chapter 9, Volume 16 of the Laws of the State of Delaware.”

On motion the House adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, March 10, 1881—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called.

Journal read and approved.

The bill entitled,

“An act to further amend Chapter 73 of the Revised Code, entitled ‘Of the City of Wilmington,’ and in relation to the fiscal concerns of said city,”

Being the order of the day,

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Van Burkalow moved

That the bill be laid upon the table,

Which motion

Prevailed.

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

“An act supplementary to Chapter 109 of the Revised Code, relating to ‘Juries.’ ”

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

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to amend Chapter 9, Volume 16 of the Laws of the State of Delaware,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Jones,

Was read.

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

On motion of Mr. Townsend,
 Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,
 "An act to incorporate the Jackson Lime and Marble Company,"
 Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,
 Was read.

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

"An act authorizing the appointment of a Gas Inspector for the City of Wilmington."

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred a petition for a stock law in School District No. 84, in Sussex county, reported a bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in a part of School District No. 84, in Sussex county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Eliason,
 Was read.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,
 The bill entitled,

"An act relating to the proof of the genuineness of disputed writings,"

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. Bradford,
 The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to provide for the refunding of the present bonded debt of this State at a lower rate of interest,"

Was read.

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

“An act to incorporate the Wharton Branch Canal Improvement Company,”

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

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 yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Register, Robinson, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

“An act to incorporate the Tomahawk Branch Ditch Company,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

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 yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Register, Robinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—15.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

The bill entitled,

“An act to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 151 in Sussex county,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Van Burkalow,

The bill entitled,

“An act in relation to the Collection of Taxes for School purposes,”

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. Townsend,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to vacate the old Snuff Mill Lane or Road in the City of Wilmington,”

Was read a second time by its title.

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Graham, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the House bill entitled,

“An act appointing freeholders to lay out a road in Duck Creek hundred, Kent county,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

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 ?"
 It was decided in the affirmative,
 And the bill *Passed the House.*
Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways,
 to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to lay out a new public road in Mispillion hundred, Kent
 county,"

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.
 On motion of Mr. Eliason,
 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 ?"
 It was decided in the affirmative,
 And the bill *Passed the House.*
Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

"An act to incorporate the New Castle on Delaware Elevator Com-
 pany."

Mr. Tomlinson, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, re-
 ported as duly and correctly enrolled the following House bills and
 joint resolutions, to wit :

"An act prohibiting live stock running at large in School District
 No. 24, No. 23, No. 75 and No. 19, New Castle county,"

"An act entitled, 'An act to prohibit persons from driving at a gait
 faster than a walk over the bridge of Broad Creek, at the old wading
 place in Laurel, Sussex county,'"

“An act to incorporate the Lincoln Cemetery Association, of Lincoln, Delaware,”

“An act to amend Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes, entitled ‘Of the Levy Court,’ ”

“A further supplement to an act entitled, ‘An act to incorporate the Wilmington City Railway Company,’ passed at Dover, February 4, 1864,”

“An act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 57 of Volume 14 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act to provide for the Indigent Insane of the State of Delaware,’ ”

“Joint resolution instructing the State Librarian to insure certain property of the State,” and

“Joint resolution in relation to the Irish troubles,”

And presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House.

On motion, the House adjourned until this afternoon at three o'clock.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill entitled,

“An act to regulate the expenditures of the County Funds of New Castle county by the Levy Court of said county,”

Being the order of the day,

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Pilling offered an amendment,

Which,

On his motion, was read.

Mr. Pilling moved

That the amendment be adopted.

Upon which motion

Mr. Eliason called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Pilling, Robinson, Townsend, A. C. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—9.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall, Graham, McNeal, Moore, Register, Tomlinson, Van Burkalow and T. N. Williams—8.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendment was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

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

And, on the question, “ Shall this bill pass the House ? ”

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, Pilling, Robinson, Townsend, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—12.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall, McNeal, Moore, Register, Tomlinson and Van Burkalow—6.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act to amend the act entitled, ‘An act to regulate the expenditures of the County Funds by the Levy Court of New Castle county,’ passed at Dover, March 27, 1879,”

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

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The report was

Adopted.

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

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

And presented the same to the House.

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

“An act authorizing the Superior Court to deposit or invest money paid into said Court,”

And returned the same to the House.

Also, that the Senate had amended and passed the House bill entitled,

“A supplement and an act to renew, continue in force, and amend the act entitled, ‘An act to incorporate a company for the purpose of cutting and making a canal between the waters of the Nanticoke River and Broadkirk Creek, in Sussex county, and for other purposes,’ ”

And returned the same with the request that the House concur in said amendments.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act authorizing William J. Carlisle to straighten a public road in Nanticoke hundred, Sussex county,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

The bill just reported to the House was taken up for consideration.

And further, on his motion,

Was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

“An act for the Relief of the Heirs of James P. Walls, deceased,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill pass.

On motion of Mr. Moore,

The bill just reported 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?”

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. T. N. Williams, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to promote the cause of education in Delaware by the establishment of a Normal School for the Education and Training of Teachers for the Free Schools of the State,"

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

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The report was

Adopted.

Mr. Graham presented a claim of C. P. Johnson against the State of Delaware,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Graham,

Was read,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Downing, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, reported as duly and correctly enrolled the following Senate bills and joint resolution, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, to wit:

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 158, in Sussex county,"

"An act to change the boundary line of School District No. 54, New Castle county,"

"An act to incorporate the Marshall Iron Company,"

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within the limits of School District No. 87, in Sussex county,"

"An act to vacate a portion of an old road in the City of Wilmington,"

"An act to change the course of a public road in Dagsboro' hundred, Sussex county,"

"An act to compensate the Attorney General for extra services,"

"An act to exempt from taxation certain real estate in the City of Wilmington," and

"Joint resolution relating to the commutation claims of this State against the Government of the United States,"

And presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House.

Mr. Bradford presented a petition of Robert Baxter, Jr., praying for a divorce from his wife, Mary M. Baxter,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was referred to the Committee on Divorces.

Mr. Bradford offered a joint resolution entitled,

“Joint resolution in relation to Increased Representation from New Castle County in the General Assembly,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

On objection being made by Mr. T. N. Williams, under Rule 26, the consideration of the resolution was postponed.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act to amend Chapter XV of the Revised Code, entitled ‘Of the Public Arms and Defense,’”

Reported the same back with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The bill was taken up for consideration.

And, on his further motion,

The amendments were read,

And further, on his motion,

The amendments were

Adopted,

And, on his further motion,

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

Mr. Robinson moved

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Wednesday next, at 3 o'clock, P. M.,

Upon which motion

Mr. T. N. Williams called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Eliason, Jones, McNeal, Robinson, T. N. Williams and Mr. Speaker—6.

Nays—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Moore, Pilling, Register, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams and Woodkeeper—10.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

Lost.

Mr. T. N. Williams moved

That the bill be laid upon the table,

Which motion

Prevailed.

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

“A further supplement to an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate the Wilmington City Railway Company,’ passed at Dover, February 4, 1864.”

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred a petition from citizens of Indian River Hundred, praying the passage of an act to vacate a certain part of a public road therein, reported a bill entitled,

“An act to vacate a certain part of a public road in Indian River Hundred, Sussex county,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

Was read.

Mr. Pilling 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 for the better regulation of the Streets of Newark, and for other purposes,’ passed at Dover. Feb. 5, 1852.”

Mr. Robinson moved

That the House concur in the Senate amendments to the House bill entitled,

"A supplement and an act to renew, continue in force, and amend the act entitled 'An act to incorporate a company for the purpose of cutting and making a canal between the waters of the Nanticoke River and Broadkiln Creek, in Sussex county, and for other purposes,' "

Mr. T. N. Williams moved

To postpone the consideration of the amendments until to-morrow morning at 8½ o'clock,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Eliason moved

That when the House adjourn it adjourn to meet at 8½ o'clock to-morrow morning,

Which motion

Prevailed.

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

"An act for more effectually Suppressing Lottery and Policy Dealing."

Mr. Cahall, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following Senate bill to be duly and correctly enrolled and signed by the Speaker of the Senate, to wit:

"An act to incorporate the Marshall Iron Company."

And presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The House receded from the amendments to the Senate bill entitled,

"An act authorizing the Mayor and Council of Wilmington to levy and collect taxes upon telegraph poles erected within the City of Wilmington,"

To wit:

"1st. Amend title by inserting immediately after the word 'telegraph' the words 'and telephone.' "

"2d. Amend Section 1 by inserting in the third line thereof, between the words 'telegraph' and 'poles,' the words 'and telephone.' "

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

On motion, the House adjourned until 8½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, March 11, 1881—8½ o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called.

Journal read and approved.

The consideration of the Senate amendments to the House bill entitled

“A supplement and an act to renew, continue in force, and amend the act entitled, ‘An act to incorporate a company for the purpose of cutting and making a canal between the waters of the Nanticoke River and Broadkirk Creek, in Sussex county, and for other purposes,’ ”

Being in order,

Mr. Van Burkalow moved

That the amendments be laid upon the table,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Harrington, a member of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and asked the concurrence of the House in a joint resolution entitled,

“Joint resolution in relation to the certificates of loan to the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company,”

And presented the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Pilling,

The joint resolution just received from the Senate was read.

Mr. Pilling moved

That the House concur in the Senate joint resolution,

Whereupon

Mr. Van Burkalow offered an amendment,

Which,

On his motion, was read, as follows :

Amend by adding : "and that the proceeds of the sale contemplated by the resolution shall be reinvested by the State for the benefit of free schools."

And further, on his motion,

The amendment was

Adopted,

And, on his further motion,

The resolution, as amended, was

Adopted.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof and the joint resolution returned to that body, with the request that the Senate concur in the House amendment.

Mr. Graham, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred a petition for a road in Kent county, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to lay out a new public road in Kent county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Graham,

Was read.

The bill entitled,

"An act to provide for the preservation and proper maintenance of certain public roads in Duck Creek hundred, Kent county,"

Being the order of the day,

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Graham moved

That the bill be laid upon the table,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Bradford, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and,
 On motion of Mr. Robinson,
 Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the New Castle on Delaware Elevator Company,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,
 Was read.

Mr. Downing, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in sundry bills and a joint resolution, entitled as follows :

“An act for the better security of life and limb in cases of fire,”

“An act empowering the Board of Education of the Dover Public Schools to make certain improvements,”

“An act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 473 of Volume 13 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act to incorporate the Town of Georgetown,’ ” and

“Joint resolution in relation to the Centennial Anniversary of the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown,”

And presented the same to the House.

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

“An act to straighten a public road in Sussex county,”

“An act to incorporate the Cathedral Cemetery Company, of Wilmington, Delaware,” and

“An act to exempt certain persons from the operation of Chapter 48 of Volume 15 of the Laws of Delaware, and to enable them to establish schools for their children, in Sussex county,”

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Jones,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to provide for the Refunding of the present Bonded Debt of this State at a lower rate of interest,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to a special committee of three,

Whereupon

Messrs. Jones, Pilling and Register were appointed said committee.

Mr. Van Burkalow, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Moore,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act for more effectually Suppressing Lottery and Policy Dealing,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Van Burkalow,

Was read.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred a petition for a stock law in School District No. 65, Sussex county, reported the same back with the recommendation that no action be taken in the premises.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The report was

Adopted.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“A supplement to the act entitled, ‘An act to exempt wages from execution attachment process,’ ”

Reported the same back with an amendment, and with the recommendation that the bill, as amended, pass the House.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion,

The amendment was read,

And further, on his motion,

Was

Adopted.

And, on his further motion,

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

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

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Betts, a member of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had non-concurred in the House amendment to a joint resolution entitled,

"Joint resolution in relation to the certificates of loan to the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company,"

And requested that a Committee of Conference be appointed.

Mr. Pilling moved

That a Committee of Conference, consisting of three members on the part of the House, be appointed,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Whereupon

Messrs. Pilling, Van Burkalow and Robinson were appointed said committee on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The bill entitled,

"An act for the Relief of Executors, Administrators and Trustees,"

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. A. C. Williams,

The bill entitled,

"An act to reincorporate the owners and possessors of the marsh and low ground commonly called and known by the name of the Culbreth Marsh, situate in North Murderkill and West Dover hundreds, in Kent county, under the title of 'The Culbreth's Marsh Ditch Company,'"

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

On motion of Mr. Eliason,
The bill entitled,

“An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in a part of
School District No. 84, in Sussex county,”

Was read a second time by its title,
And, on his further motion,
Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,
The bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Jackson Lime and Marble Company,”

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

Mr. Pilling, on behalf of the Committee of Conference on the joint
resolution entitled,

“Joint resolution in relation to the certificates of loan to the Phila-
delphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company,”

Reported that the committee recommend that the House recede
from its amendments.

Mr. Pilling moved

That the House recede from its amendments to said resolution,
Upon which motion

Mr. Cahall called for the yeas and nays,
Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, Pilling,
Register, Robinson, Stayton, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Wil-
liams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—14.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall and McNeal—2.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the motion

Prevailed.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Pilling moved

That when the House adjourn it adjourn to meet at 3.30 o'clock,
P. M., on Monday next,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, March 14, 1881—3.30 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Bradford presented a claim of the James & Webb Printing and Stationery Company,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The bill entitled,

“An act to lay out a new public road in Kent county,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the New Castle on Delaware Elevator Company,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act to vacate the old Snuff Mill Lane or Road in the City of Wilmington,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

The bill just reported to the House was taken up for consideration,

And further, on his motion,

Was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

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

Mr. Downing, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and asked the concurrence of the House in sundry bills entitled as follows:

“An act to authorize the laying out of a public road in North-West Fork hundred, Sussex county, State of Delaware,”

“An act to Encourage the Education of the Colored People,”

“An act to incorporate the News Publishing Company,”

“A further supplement to an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from or near the borough of

Wilmington, in the county of New Castle, on the east side of the Brandywine Creek, in the route through West Chester, to the turn-pike roads in the Great Valley in the State of Pennsylvania," passed at Dover, January 23, 1811,"

"An act to authorize A. K. Corbin, W. A. Corbin, and J. T. Noble, to lay out and make a public road through their own land,"

And presented the same to the House.

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

"An act to amend Section 8, Chapter 106, Revised Code,"

And returned the same to the House.

He also returned the following duly and correctly enrolled House bills and joint resolutions, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz :

"An act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 57 of Volume 14 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act to provide for the Indigent Insane of the State of Delaware,'"

"An act to amend Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes, entitled 'Of the Levy Court,'"

"An act entitled, 'An act to prohibit persons from driving at a gait faster than a walk over the bridge of Broad Creek, at the old wading place in Laurel, Sussex county,'"

"An act to incorporate the Lincoln Cemetery Association, of Lincoln, Delaware,"

"An act prohibiting live stock running at large in School District No. 24, No. 23, No. 75 and No. 19, New Castle county,"

"Joint resolution in relation to the Irish troubles,"

"Joint resolution instructing the State Librarian to insure certain property of the State."

He also presented to the House the following duly and correctly enrolled Senate bill and a joint resolution for the signature of the Speaker of the House, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, to wit :

"An act to incorporate the George P. Whitaker Company," and

“Joint resolution concerning State Library.”

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

“An act to amend Chapter 371, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act in relation to the duties of Assessors and of the Levy Courts in the several counties of this State.’”

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

“An act to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 17, in Sussex county.”

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The Senate amendment to the House bill entitled,

“An act to lay out a new public road in Milford hundred, Kent county,”

Was read, as follows :

SENATE CHAMBER, February 28, 1881.

Amend the bill by striking out all of Section 1, after the word “beginning,” in the sixth line of said Section 1, and inserting in lieu thereof, “in the centre of the public road leading from Milford to Williamsville, at a point on the east side of what is known as Leadrum Branch, at or near where an old road now intersects the said public road and running in a northerly direction in or as near the line of said old road as the commissioners, or a majority of them, shall deem best, until it intersects the public road leading from Milford to Harrington, which point shall be at a point where the said old road now intersects the said Milford and Harrington road.”

For concurrence.

H. T. DOWNING,

Extract from Journal.

Clerk of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The amendment was

Concurred in.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

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

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act in reference to the competency of witnesses,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The Senate joint resolution entitled,

“Joint resolution in relation to the Centennial Anniversary of the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown,”

Was read.

On objection being made by Mr. Townsend, under Rule 26, the consideration of the resolution was postponed.

On motion of Mr. Jones,

The vote by which a special committee was appointed for the purpose of considering the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to provide for the refunding of the present bonded debt of this State at a lower rate of interest,”

Was reconsidered,

And, on his further motion,

The bill was referred to the Joint Committee on Funding the State Debt.

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

The Senate bill entitled,

“A further supplement to an act entitled, ‘An act to incorporate the Rehoboth Beach Camp Meeting Association of the Methodist Episcopal Church,’”

Was read.

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

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to amend Chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled ‘Of Conveyances,’ ”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,
Was read.

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

“An act in relation to corporal punishment for crimes.”

Mr. Swayne 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 amend Sections 13 and 17 of Chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes,’ passed at Dover, February 26, 1879.”

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

“An act to incorporate the Wilmington Real Estate Company,”

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

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 yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow and Mr. Speaker—14.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

Mr. Downing, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House amendment to the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to amend an act to alter and amend the act entitled, 'An act to raise Revenue for State and County purposes,' passed at Dover, February 9th, 1875,"

And presented as duly and correctly enrolled the following Senate joint resolution for the signature of the Speaker of the House, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, to wit:

"Joint resolution in relation to the certificates of loan to the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company."

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 151 in Sussex county,"

Reported the same back with recommendation that the bill pass.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

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,

And on the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Bradford gave notice that, on to-morrow or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce sundry bills entitled as follows:

"An act in relation to judgments for want of an affidavit of defence,"

"An act in relation to set off,"

"An act in relation to the proof of written instruments,"

"An act in relation to impeaching the credit of witnesses by evidence of bad character as to veracity."

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

"An act to incorporate the Delaware State Grange of the P. of H., of Delaware,"

Reported the same back with an amendment, with the recommendation that the bill, as amended, pass the House.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion,

The amendments were read,

And further, on his motion,

The amendments were

Adopted,

And, on his further motion,

The bill, as amended, 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. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, Matthews, Moore, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams and Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof and that the bill be returned to that body with a request to concur in the amendments.

Mr. Bradford presented a communication from Clara V. Conner,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

And further, on his motion,

Was ordered to be filed with other papers to which this communication refers.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

The bill entitled,

“An act to vacate a certain part of a public road in Indian River Hundred, Sussex county,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Cahall, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following Senate joint resolution as duly and correctly enrolled and signed by the Speaker of the Senate, and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit :

“Joint resolution in relation to the certificates of loan to the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company.”

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

“An act to incorporate the Batson Branch Ditch Company, in Baltimore hundred, Sussex county, Delaware,

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

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 yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams and Mr. Speaker—15.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion the House adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, March 15, 1881—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called.

Journal read and approved.

The bill entitled,

“An act to divorce James A. Conner from his wife, Clara V. Conner,”

Being the order of the day,

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Bradford moved

That the bill be laid upon the table,

Upon which motion

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eliason, Graham, Pilling, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams and Mr. Speaker—10.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall, Eastburn, Jones, Matthews, McNeal, Moore, Register, Robinson, Stayton and Tomlinson—10.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

Lost.

Mr. T. N. Williams moved

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Wednesday, the 23d of March, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Upon which motion

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Matthews, Pilling, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams and Mr. Speaker—12.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Register, Robinson, Stayton and Tomlinson—8.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to amend Chapter 73 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled ‘Of the City of Wilmington,’ relating to the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

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 yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Graham, Jones, Matthews, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams and Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

Mr. Matthews, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred a petition of Curtis A. Conoway for a stock law in School District No. 83, in Sussex county, reported a bill entitled,

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

Which,

On motion of Mr. Matthews,

Was read.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to enable his Excellency, the Governor, to appoint an additional Justice of the Peace and Notary Public for New Castle county, to reside at Hockessin, in Mill Creek hundred,"

Reported the same back with amendments, and with the recommendation that the bill, as amended, pass the House.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion,

The amendments were read,

And further, on his motion,

Were

Adopted,

And, on his further motion,

The bill, as amended, 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. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Matthews, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, T. N. Williams and Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. McNeal 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 Improvement Company.”

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to authorize the execution of a deed for certain real estate belonging to an insane person,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

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?”

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

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

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

“An act authorizing the sale and conveyance of certain real estate in the Town of Felton.”

Mr. Tomlinson, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following Senate bill to be duly and correctly enrolled and signed by the Speaker of the Senate, to wit :

“An act to incorporate the George P. Whittaker Company,”

And presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act relating to the proof of the genuineness of disputed writings,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,
 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 ?"
 It was decided in the affirmative,
 And the bill *Passed the House.*
Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Townsend,
 The Senate bill entitled,
 "A further supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the
 Rehoboth Beach Camp Meeting Association of the Methodist Episcopal
 Church,'"
 Was read a second time by its title,
 And, on his further motion,
 Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways,
 to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act to vacate a certain part of a public road in Indian River
 hundred, Sussex county,"

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation
 that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,
 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 ?"
 It was decided in the affirmative,
 And the bill *Passed the House.*
Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act in relation to binding apprentices by the Western Home for Poor Children and the Southern Home for Destitute Children,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

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?”

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act for the Relief of Executors, Administrators and Trustees,”

Reported the same with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

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?”

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

“An act to incorporate ‘The William Lea and Son’s Company,’”

And presented the same to the House.

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

“An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 66, New Castle county,” and

“An act to extend an act entitled, ‘An act to incorporate Triple Link Lodge, No. 31, I. O. O. F., of Frederica, State of Delaware,’”

And returned the same to the House.

Also, that the Senate had concurred in the House amendments to sundry Senate bills entitled,

“An act to amend an act to alter and amend the act entitled, ‘An act to raise Revenue for State and County purposes,’ passed at Dover, February 9, 1875,” and

“An act to incorporate the New Castle Cemetery Company.”

On motion of Mr. Register,

The bill entitled,

“An act to further amend Chapter 73 of the Revised Code, entitled ‘Of the City of Wilmington,’ and in relation to the fiscal concerns of said city,”

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Robinson moved

That the bill be read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

Which motion

Prevailed,

And on the question, “Shall this bill pass the House?”

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Cahall, Graham, Jones, Matthews, McNeal, Moore, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Tomlinson, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams and Mr. Speaker—14.

Nays—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Pilling, Swayne and Townsend—6.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to amend the act entitled, ‘An act to reincorporate the Town of Dover,’ passed at Dover, February 27, 1879,”

Being the order of the day,

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Van Burkalow presented a petition with various letters in favor of the passage of the bill,

Which,

On his motion, were read.

The Speaker presented resolutions adopted by a meeting of citizens of Dover and a communication from Chief Justice Comegys.

There being no objection, the papers were read.

Mr. A. C. Williams presented a communication in favor of the passage of the bill,

Which,

On his motion, was read.

The question recurring on the motion of Mr. Cahall to amend by striking out Section 6 of the bill,

On the question, “Shall the amendment striking out Section 6 of the bill be adopted?”

It was decided in the negative,

And the amendment was

Lost.

Mr. Cahall offered an amendment,

Which,

On his motion, was read.

Mr. Cahall moved

That the amendment be adopted.

Upon which motion

Mr. Bradford called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Cahall, Jones, McNeal, Register, Robinson, Stayton and Mr. Speaker—7.

Nays—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Matthews, Moore, Pilling, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams and T. N. Williams—13.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the amendment was

Lost.

Mr. Robinson moved

That the bill be read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the bill were read and adopted,

Section 6 was read, and

On the question, “ Shall that be Section 6 of the bill ? ”

Mr. Cahall called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, Matthews, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Robinson, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams and Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall, Register and Stayton—3.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And Section 6 was

Adopted.

The enacting clause of the bill was read, and

On the question, “ Shall that be the enacting clause ? ”

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the enacting clause was

Adopted.

The title of the bill was read, and

On the question, “ Shall that be the title of the bill ? ”

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the title was

Adopted.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, Matthews, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams and Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

Mr. Bradford moved

That the joint resolution entitled,

"Joint resolution in relation to Increased Representation from New Castle County in the General Assembly,"

Be adopted.

Upon which motion

Mr. Bradford called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Pilling, Register, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow and A. C. Williams—9.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall, Graham, Jones, Matthews, McNeal, Moore, Robinson, Stayton, Tomlinson and Mr. Speaker—10.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the joint resolution was

Lost.

Mr. Bradford presented an affidavit of John M. White,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

And, on his further motion,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Matthews presented a petition for a new public road in Georgetown hundred, Sussex county,

Which,

On his motion, was read,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

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

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 17, in Sussex county,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Jones,

Was read.

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

“An act to authorize the laying out of a public road in North Murderkill hundred, in Kent county,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And further, on his motion,

Was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

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

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

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 48, in Sussex county,"

Reported the same back with recommendation that the bill pass.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

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,

And on the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

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

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

"An act authorizing William A. Hazzard to erect a gate across a public road in Broadkilm Neck, Sussex county."

Mr. Van Burkalow, on behalf of the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

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

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Van Burkalow,

The bill was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Van Burkalow moved

That the bill be read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Section 1 of the bill was read, and

On the question, "Shall that be Section 1 of the bill?"

It was decided in the negative,

And Section 1 was

Lost.

Mr. Van Burkalow moved

That the further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Van Burkalow, on behalf of the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act to authorize the Governor to appoint a Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries, and to provide for his compensation,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Van Burkalow,

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?”

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. McNeal moved

That the bill entitled,

“An act to divorce William T. Burton and Irena Burton, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony,”

Be taken up for consideration.

Upon which motion

Mr. T. N. Williams called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Cahall, Graham, Jones, Matthews, McNeal, Moore, Register, Robinson, A. C. Williams and Mr. Speaker—10.

Nays—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Pilling, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend and T. N. Williams—9.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Bradford moved

That the House do now adjourn,

Upon which motion

Mr. T. N. Williams called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas — Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Moore, Pilling, Stayton, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow and T. N. Williams—11.

Nays — Messrs. Jones, Matthews, McNeal, Register, Robinson, Tomlinson, A. C. Williams and Mr. Speaker—8.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the motion

Prevailed.

Whereupon

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

WEDNESDAY, March 16, 1881—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called.

Journal read and approved.

The bill entitled,

“An act to divorce William T. Burton and Irena Burton, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony,”

Being the unfinished business of yesterday, was taken up, and,

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

The bill 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. Cahall, Eastburn, Graham, Jones, Matthews, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Tomlinson and Mr. Speaker—13.

Nays—Messrs. Bradford, Graham, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams and Woodkeeper—8.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to provide for the refunding of the present bonded debt of this State at a lower rate of interest,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

Mr. Bradford moved

That the bill be taken up for consideration,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Jones offered a substitute,

Which,

On his motion, was read.

Mr. Van Burkalow moved

That the consideration of the substitute be indefinitely postponed.

Upon which motion

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Moore, Pilling, Robinson, Stayton, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—14.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall, Jones, Matthews, McNeal, Register and Tomlinson—6.

So the question was decided in the affirmative.

And the motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Tomlinson moved

That the House do now adjourn,

Upon which motion

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Cahall, Eastburn, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Register, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams and Woodkeeper—12.

Nays—Messrs. Bradford, Eliason, Graham, Matthews, Pilling, Robinson, Stayton, T. N. Williams and Mr. Speaker—9.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the motion

Prevailed.

Whereupon

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to provide for the refunding of the present bonded debt of this State at a lower rate of interest,”

Being the unfinished business before the House, was taken up.

Mr. Cahall moved

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed for thirty minutes, that he might offer a joint resolution,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Cahall offered a joint resolution entitled,

“Joint resolution in relation to the investment of certain moneys for school purposes,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

Was read,

And, on his further motion,

Was

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Bradford presented a memorial from the Delaware Beet Sugar Company, asking State aid,

Which,

On his motion, was read,

And further, on his motion,
Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,
The Senate bill entitled,
“An act to amend Chapter 22, Volume 16 of the Laws of Delaware, being an act in relation to Insurance Companies,”

Was read.

Mr. Bradford moved

That Rule 12 be suspended, that the bill might proceed to a second reading,

Which motion *Prevailed,*

And, on the further motion of Mr. Bradford,

The bill was read a second time by its title,

And further, on his motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Downing, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House joint resolution entitled,

“Joint resolution in relation to the investment of certain moneys for school purposes,”

And returned the same to the House.

The bill entitled,

“An act to provide for the refunding of the present bonded debt of this State at a lower rate of interest,”

Being the order of the day,

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Tomlinson offered an amendment,

Which,

On his motion, was read.

Mr. Tomlinson moved

That the amendment be adopted.

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

Yeas—Mr. Tomlinson—1.

Nays—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—19.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the amendment was

Lost.

Mr. T. N. Williams offered an amendment,
Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. T. N. Williams moved

That the amendment be adopted,

Upon which motion

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Cahall, McNeal, Register, Stayton, Tomlinson, T. N. Williams—6.

Nays—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, Moore, Pilling, Robinson, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—14.

So the question was decided in the negative

And the amendment was

Lost.

Mr. Tomlinson moved

That the House do now adjourn,

Upon which motion

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Cahall and Tomlinson—2.

Nays—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—18.

So the question was decided in the negative

And the motion was

Lost.

Mr. Cahall moved

That the House now take a recess.

Upon which motion

Mr. Tomlinson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Cahall and Tomlinson—2.

Nays—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—18.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

Lost.

Mr. Tomlinson moved

That the House do now adjourn.

Upon which motion

Mr. Cahall called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Cahall and Tomlinson—2.

Nays—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—18.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

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

And, on the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, Matthews, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

The bill entitled,

"An act in relation to public ditches,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. McNeal offered an amendment,

Which,

On his motion was read,

And further, on his motion,

Was

Adopted.

And, on his further motion,

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

And on the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to encourage the education of the colored people,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Townsend,
 The Senate bill entitled,
 "An act to incorporate the News Publishing Company,"
 Was read.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways,
 to whom was referred the bill entitled,

"An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in a part of
 School District No. 84, in Sussex county,"

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation
 that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,
 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?"
 It was decided in the affirmative,
 And the bill *Passed the House.*
Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McNeal,
 The Senate bill entitled,
 "An act to divorce Sylvester G. Downs from his wife, Clara A.,
 and for other purposes,"
 Was read.

Mr. Townsend presented an account of George W. Vernon,
 Which,

On his motion, was received,
 And, on his further motion,
 Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,
 The Senate bill entitled,
 "An act empowering the Board of Education of the Dover Public
 Schools to make certain improvements,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Pilling,
The Senate bill entitled

“An act concerning the Newark and Delaware City Railroad Company,”

Was read.

Mr. Van Burkalow, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and,
On motion of Mr. Cahall,
Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act authorizing the sale and conveyance of certain real estate in the Town of Felton,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Van Burkalow,
Was read.

On motion of Mr. Stayton,
The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to authorize the laying out of a public road in North-West Fork hundred, Sussex county, State of Delaware,”

Was read.

Mr. Stayton, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and,
On motion of Mr. Tomlinson,
Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to authorize William A. Hazzard to erect a gate across a public road in Broadkiln Neck, Sussex county,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Stayton,
Was read.

Mr. McNeal, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Lippett, asking for a divorce from his wife, Matilda, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Samuel Lippett, from his wife, Matilda,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Tomlinson,

The bill entitled,

"An act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths, in the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to a special committee of three,

Whereupon

Messrs. Tomlinson, Moore and Townsend were appointed said committee.

Mr. Townsend, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred a petition to transfer certain real estate from one school district to another, in New Castle county, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to transfer certain real estate from one school district to another, in New Castle county,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

Was read.

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

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to amend Sections 13 and 17 of Chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes,' passed at Dover, February 26, 1879,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Swayne,

Was read.

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

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to amend an act entitled, ‘An act for the better regulation of the streets of Newark, and for other purposes,’ passed at Dover, February 5, 1852,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Pilling,

Was read.

Mr. T. N. Williams gave notice that, on to-morrow or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce sundry bills entitled,

“An act amendatory to Chapter 57, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware,” and

“An act authorizing George Hallowell to change and straighten a public road on his own lands, in Seaford hundred, Sussex county.”

Mr. T. N. Williams presented a petition for a stock law in District No. 156, Sussex county,

Which,

On his motion, was read.

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Register 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 to reincorporate the Town of Dover,’ passed at Dover, February 27, 1879.”

Mr. Bradford gave notice that, on to-morrow or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce sundry bills entitled,

“An act supplementary to an act entitled, ‘An act for the prevention of cruelty to animals,’ passed at Dover, February 20, 1873,”

“An act to encourage the propagation of fish,”

“An act to amend an act entitled, ‘An act limiting the term of imprisonment of persons committed to jail upon a failure to pay fine and

costs in cases before the Mayors of cities and Justices of the Peace, passed at Dover, March 10, 1879,"

"An act relating to crimes and misdemeanors,"

"An act to change the voting place in the fourth election district of the City of Wilmington,"

"An act relating to imprisonment for minor offenses in New Castle county," and

"An act in relation to married women."

Mr. Robinson gave notice that, on to-morrow or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce sundry bills entitled,

"An act regulating Pilots and Pilotage of and on the Bay and River Delaware,"

"An act to incorporate the Star of Bethlehem Lodge of the Town of Milford, Kent County."

Mr. Jones, on behalf of the special committee appointed to report upon the advisability of an amendment to the Constitution so as to secure a general railroad law, reported favorably.

On motion of Mr. Jones,

The report was read,

And, on his further motion,

The report was adopted and the committee discharged.

Mr. T. N. Williams moved

That the House do now adjourn,

Upon which motion

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Moore, Pilling, Register, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—15.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall, Jones, McNeal, Robinson and Stayton—5.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the motion

Prevailed.

Whereupon

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

THURSDAY, March 17, 1881—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. T. N. Williams, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act authorizing George Hallowell to change and straighten a public road on his own lands, in Seaford hundred, Sussex county,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

Was read.

Mr. T. N. Williams, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act supplementary to Chapter 109 of the Revised Code, relating to ‘Juries,’ ”

Which,

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

Was read.

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

“An act to grant certain real estate to the Philadelphia Maratime Exchange for the purpose of erecting an observatory and reporting station thereon,”

And presented the same to the House.

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

“An act to incorporate the Dover River Improvement Company,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

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 yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas — Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, Matthews, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Wood-keeper and Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Register,

The Senate joint resolution entitled,

“Joint resolution in relation to the Centennial Anniversary of the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown,”

Was read.

And, on his further motion,

The joint resolution was

Concurred in.

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

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to amend Chapter 22, Volume 16 of the Laws of Delaware, being an act in relation to Insurance Companies,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

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?”

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

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

Mr. Bradford gave notice that, on to-morrow or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce sundry bills entitled,

“An act supplementary to an act entitled, ‘An act for the prevention of cruelty to children,’ passed at Dover, March 18, 1879,”

“An act to furnish facilities for the transfer of freights,” and

“An act in relation to the sugar beet industry.”

On motion of Mr. Pilling,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act concerning the Newark and Delaware City Railroad Company,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

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

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

On motion of Mr. McNeal,
 Was read.

Mr. Pilling moved
 That any further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed,
 Upon which motion
 The yeas and nays were ordered,
 Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas — Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Wood-keeper and Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Sylvester C. Downs from his wife, Clara A., and for other purposes,"

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Divorces.

Mr. Townsend presented a petition of Mrs. Georgianna Hadley, of Appoquinimink hundred, asking to be divorced from her husband, Frank Hadley,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

Was referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Stayton,
The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to authorize A. K. Corbin, W. A. Corbin, and J. T. Noble, to lay out and make a public road through their own land,”
Was read.

On motion of Mr. Pilling,
The bill entitled,

“An act to amend an act entitled, ‘An act for the better regulation of the streets of Newark, and for other purposes,’ ”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Townsend,
The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the News Publishing Company,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

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

On motion of Mr. Moore,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“A supplement to an act entitled, ‘An act to reincorporate the Town of Dover,’ passed at Dover, February 27, 1879,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Register,

Was read.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act supplementary to Chapter 85 of the Revised Code of this State, relating to sales of real estate by trustees,”

Reported the same back with amendments, and without recommendation.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion,

The amendments were read,

And further, on his motion,

Were

Adopted,

And, on his further motion,

The bill, as amended, 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. Bradford, McNeal and Pilling—3.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Moore, Register, Robinson, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—14.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill was

Lost.

Mr. T. N. Williams, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act amendatory to Chapter 157, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Jones,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to grant certain real estate to the Philadelphia Maritime Exchange for the purpose of erecting an observatory and reporting station thereon,”

Was read.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act to repeal Chapter 146, Laws of Delaware, 1879, entitled ‘An act in relation to the exemption from execution process of certain personal property,’ passed at Dover, March 28, 1879,”

Reported the same with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

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?”

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Stayton,

The bill entitled,

“An act to authorize William A. Hazzard to erect a gate across a certain public road in Broadkilm Neck, Sussex county,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Register gave notice that on to-morrow, or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce bills entitled as follows:

“An act to further amend an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate the Duck Creek Improvement Company,’ ”

“An act for the protection of muskrats.”

Mr. Cahall gave notice that on to-morrow, or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce sundry bills entitled,

“An act to amend Chapter 20, Volume 15 Delaware Laws, entitled ‘Of Elections,’”

“An act to prevent political parades in the City of Wilmington,”

“An act to further amend the charter of the City of Wilmington,”

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to lay out a public road in Mispillion hundred, Kent county.’”

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

“An act incorporating the Phillip’s Ditch Company of Dagsboro’ Hundred.”

Mr. T. N. Williams presented a petition of sundry citizens asking to be removed from one school district in Sussex county to another in said county,

Which,

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The Senate bill entitled

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

Was read.

On motion, the House adjourned.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

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

“An act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Male Protectory of Wilmington, Delaware,”

“An act to amend Chapter 117 of Volume 13 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act to raise revenue and provide for the current expenses of the State government,’ ”

“An act to amend Chapter 390 of Volume 13 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act providing revenue for this State,’ ”

“An act to amend Chapter 42 of the Revised Statutes, entitled ‘Of Free Schools,’ ”

“An act to amend Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, entitled ‘General provisions respecting the police,’ ”

“An act relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors,”

“An act to amend Chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, entitled ‘Concerning roads and bridges,’ ”

“An act to amend Chapter 73 of the Revised Statutes, entitled ‘Of the City of Wilmington,’ ”

“An act in relation to marriage,”

“An act relating to divorce,”

“An act to amend Chapter 85 of the Revised Statutes, entitled ‘Of intestate's real estate,’ ”

“An act to amend Chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes entitled ‘Of joint estates and partition,’ ”

“An act relating to the practice of the Superior Court,”

“An act to amend Chapter 99 of the Revised Statutes, entitled ‘Justices' jurisdiction in civil cases of debt,’ ”

“An act to amend Chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes, entitled ‘Of landlord and tenant,’ ”

"An act relating to crimes and misdemeanors,"

"An act relating to weights and measures in New Castle county,"

"A supplement to the act entitled 'An act to revive Chapter DCX of the 11th Volume of the Laws of the State of Delaware, entitled 'An act to incorporate the Delaware City, Salem, and Philadelphia Steamboat Navigation Company,' passed at Dover, January 29, 1879."

Mr. Downing, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in sundry House bills entitled,

"An act for the Relief of the Heirs of James P. Walls, deceased,"

"An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 480 of Volume 15 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act to amend Section 33 of Chapter 125 of the Revised Code of Delaware Laws,'"

"An act to revive and re-enact the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the New Castle Gas Company,'"

"An act to amend Chapter 83 of the Revised Code of 1852, as amended and published in 1874, entitled 'Of Conveyances,' and for other purposes,"

"An act to consolidate School Districts Nos. 152 and 80, in Sussex county, under the title of 'The Lowe's X Roads Public Schools,' and

"An act to further amend Chapter 73 of the Revised Code, entitled 'Of the City of Wilmington,' and in relation to the fiscal concerns of said city,"

And returned the same to the House.

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

"An act to open a new public road in Nanticoke hundred, Sussex county,"

And returned the bill, with the amendments, to the House.

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

"Joint resolution in relation to the sale of the copies of the Code as amended and published in 1874,"

And presented the same to the House.

Mr. T. N. Williams presented a communication from Henry B. Morrow, Secretary of the Board of Public Schools of the City of Wilmington,

Which,

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

Was read.

Mr. T. N. Williams offered a joint resolution entitled,

“Joint resolution in relation to invitation to visit Wilmington Public Schools,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

Was read,

And further, on his motion,

Was

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Tomlinson, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following House bills and joint resolutions as being duly and correctly enrolled and presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit :

“An act to transfer certain real estate from one school district to another, in New Castle county,”

“An act to incorporate the Cathedral Cemetery Company, of Wilmington, Delaware,”

“A further supplement to 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,’ passed at Dover, January 21, 1811,”

“An act to lay out a certain public road in Broadkiln hundred,”

“An act to open a new public road in Nanticoke hundred, County of Sussex,”

“An act to incorporate the Hollywood Cemetery, of Harrington, Delaware,”

“An act to straighten a public road in Sussex county,”

“An act authorizing the Superior Court to deposit or invest money paid into said Court,”

“An act authorizing the sale of certain real property therein mentioned,”

“An act to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 91, in New Castle county,”

“An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 37, in New Castle county,”

“An act concerning negotiable instruments,”

“A further supplement to an act entitled, ‘An act to incorporate the Wilmington City Railway Company,’ passed at Dover, February 4, 1864,”

“A supplement to the act entitled, ‘An act to incorporate the Farmers’ Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of St. George’s and Appoquinimink hundreds, in New Castle county,’ ”

“An act to authorize the Levy Court of Kent county to continue in office for a period of more than three years a constable in Little Creek hundred, Kent county,”

“An act relating to Chapter 128 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled ‘Offences against Private Property,’ ”

“An act to revive, restore, renew and re-enact Chapter 306, Volume 8, of the Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act to incorporate the members of the Water Witch Fire Company, of the City of Wilmington,’ passed at Dover, January 22, 1835,” and

“An act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes, entitled ‘Of the Levy Court.’ ”

Also, the following Senate bills and joint resolutions as being duly and correctly enrolled and signed by the Speaker of the Senate, viz :

“An act to authorize the laying out of a public road in North Murderkill hundred, in Kent county,”

“An act to change the boundary line of School District No. 54, New Castle county,”

“An act to change the course of a public road in Dagsboro’ hundred, Sussex county,”

“An act prohibiting live stock from running at large in School District No. 158, in Sussex county,”

“An act prohibiting live stock from running at large within the limits of School District No. 87, in Sussex county,”

“An act to compensate the Attorney General for extra services,”

“An act to vacate a portion of an old road in the City of Wilmington,”

“An act to exempt from taxation certain real estate in the City of Wilmington,”

“Joint resolution concerning State Library,” and

“Joint resolution relating to the commutation claims of this State against the Government of the United States,”

And presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House.

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

“An act to incorporate the Frankford Oyster-Planting Company.”

Mr. Register presented the claim of Benton V. Weldon against the State of Delaware,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Register,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to encourage the education of the colored people,”

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Stayton,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to authorize the laying out of a public road in North-West Fork hundred, Sussex county, State of Delaware,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

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

On motion of Mr. Moore,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Star of Bethlehem Lodge of the Town of Milford, Kent County,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Was read.

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

“A further additional supplement to the act entitled, ‘An act to incorporate the Duck Creek Improvement Company,’ passed at Dover, February 7, 1859,”

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

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The report was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The Senate bill entitled,

“A further additional supplement to an act entitled, ‘An additional supplement to an act for the better regulation of the Streets of Delaware City, and for other purposes,’ passed at Dover, March 5, 1851,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Tomlinson,

The Senate amendments to the House bill entitled,

“A supplement and an act to renew, continue in force, and amend the act entitled ‘An act to incorporate a company for the purpose of cutting and making a canal between the waters of the Nanticoke River and Broadkilk Creek, in Sussex county, and for other purposes,’ ”

Were taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion,

Were read, as follows :

SENATE CHAMBER, March 9, 1881.

1. Strike out all of Section 1 after the word "that," in the fourteenth line of said bill, and in lieu thereof insert the following, to wit: "James Ponder, Edward L. Martin, Caleb S. Layton, William H. Ross, Thomas N. Williams, Benjamin Fooks, William W. Dashiell, John Turpin Moore, Catesby F. Rust, Lewis N. Wright, Henry P. Cannon, Doct. Robert H. Ellegood, John H. Paynter, Wilbur P. Tunnell, Rev. John Linn McKim, Gardiner H. Wright, Elisha W. Cannon, William S. Phillips, Peter Robinson, Harbeson Hickman, Laban L. Lyons, and John A. Hazzard, all of Sussex county aforesaid ; and William H. Smith, John W. Garrett, and Doct. Isaac L. Adkins, of the State of Maryland, and their successors, and all such persons as shall become stockholders in the said 'The Sussex County Ship Canal Company,' be, and they are hereby created a corporation and body politic, by the name of 'The Sussex County Ship Canal Company,' with all the powers and franchises necessary and incident to a corporation, with the power to purchase, acquire, by deed, or conveyance, or gift, grant, devise, or bequest, and to hold, use, own and dispose of any lands, tenements, hereditaments, steamboats, vessels, or other property or estate, real or personal, and railroads, and running stock, which shall be necessary for the purposes of this corporation, and which shall belong to and be the property of this company ; and by the above name, title and designation of 'The Sussex County Ship Canal Company,' shall and may have succession, and make and use a common seal, and break and alter the same at pleasure ; and sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all courts of record, and elsewhere, and to do all such other acts and things as may be necessary to carry into effect the objects of said corporation."

Mr. Tomlinson moved

That the first amendment be concurred in,

Upon which motion

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall and Graham—2.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendment, having received the required constitutional majority,

Was

Concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Tomlinson,

The second amendment was read, as follows :

2. Amend the second section as follows, to wit: Strike out all of the said second section after the enacting clause and after the word "that," and in lieu of the matter thus stricken out say: "the capital stock of said company shall be fifteen millions of dollars, in shares of fifty dollars each share, under the management of the above named corporators, for the purpose of cutting and making a ship canal from the waters of the Nanticoke River, to begin on or near the said river or a branch thereof, and on or near the line between this State and the State of Maryland, so as to connect with the Choptank and Delaware Ship Canal, of the State of Maryland; and to run thence in an easterly direction to the Broadkiln Creek, in Sussex county, in this State; and of perfecting the navigation of the said ship canal, and to extend to or near the mouth of the said Broadkiln Creek, or opposite the Delaware Breakwater, and into the Delaware Bay, as may be deemed most advisable by the said corporators, or a majority of them; and for the purpose of and to be used in cutting and completing the said ship canal; and in building, purchasing, or procuring steamboats or other kinds of vessels, if deemed proper; and in the running and necessary repairs of the same, from time to time; and in the purchasing real estate and building thereon of storehouses, warehouses, granaries, or other buildings for the safe-keeping and preservation of goods, wares, merchandise, grain, produce, fruits, or other articles, transported, freighted, or owned; or owned by the said company, or by other persons, or for the comfort and convenience of passengers by said line; and in making and repairing wharves, docks and landing places, on or near said river or Broadkiln Creek, for the boats or vessels of said company, or of other persons; and a railroad, and in the building, making, purchasing, or procuring cars, stages, and wagons, for the conveyance of passengers, merchandise, &c., as aforesaid, as a majority of the directors of said company, for the time being, shall order and direct; and books shall be opened on the second Tuesday of June next, at Georgetown, in Sussex county, aforesaid, for the purpose of receiving subscriptions to said capital stock; and shall

continue open, from time to time, under the management of the said corporators, or of any three or more of them; and at such other times and places as a majority of them shall direct and determine upon, after having given ten days previous notice, by advertisements, in one or more of the daily newspapers published in the cities of New York, Philadelphia, Wilmington, (Delaware) and Baltimore, respectively, of the time or times, place or places, as the said corporators, or a majority of them, may direct; and every subscriber shall, at the time of subscribing, pay to the said corporators, in attendance, ten dollars on each share of the said stock so subscribed, which subscriptions shall be at once deposited in the Farmers' Bank of this State, at Georgetown, to the credit of said 'The Sussex County Ship Canal Company.' "

Mr. Tomlinson moved

That the second amendment be concurred in,

Upon which motion

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—Mr. Cahall—1.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendment, having received the required constitutional majority,

Was

Concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Tomlinson,

The third amendment was read, as follows:

3. Amend Section 3 of said bill, as follows: After the enacting clause thereof insert in said bill, or the section thereof, the following, that is to say: "That on the payment of the first subscription to said capital stock, a meeting of the said subscribers shall be called by the said stockholders, at a time and place to be fixed by the said corporators, upon ten days public notice given in the newspapers aforesaid, at which meeting, and annually thereafter, the stockholders, in person or by proxy, shall choose, by ballot and by a majority of votes of those

present, each share being entitled to one vote, nine directors to continue in office one year, and until others shall be duly elected. Any vacancy in the board of directors may be supplied by the other directors. A failure to elect annually shall not dissolve the corporation. The affairs and business of the said company shall be conducted by the said directors, or a majority being sufficient to act; and these shall elect one of their number as president, and may appoint a treasurer and such other officers and agents and servants as they may deem necessary, and may fix their compensation, they giving bond and security, as hereinafter provided; and whenever, in the opinion of a majority of the said directors, a sufficient amount of stock is subscribed to commence operations, they shall call for the payment of the stock subscribed at such times as they shall deem expedient, giving twenty days notice, as aforesaid, before the same shall be payable, and calling no more than ten dollars on each share at one time; and shall have power and authority to borrow money, for the use of the said company, on bond and mortgage; and to mortgage the said ship canal, or any part or portions thereof, or said railroad, to any person or persons, or to any corporation."

Mr. Tomlinson moved

That the third amendment be concurred in,

Upon which motion

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—Mr. Cahall—1.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendment, having received the required constitutional majority,

Was

Concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Tomlinson,

The fourth amendment was read, as follows:

4. Amend Section 8 by striking out all of said section after the word "proceedings," in the 12th and 13th lines thereof.

Mr. Tomlinson moved

That the fourth amendment be concurred in,

Upon which motion

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—Mr. Cahall—1.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendment, having received the required constitutional majority,

Was

Concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Tomlinson,

The fifth amendment was read, as follows :

5. Amend Section 10 by striking out of the eleventh line thereof the words “not exceed ten cents per ton,” and inserting in lieu thereof the words “at all times be subject to revision and alteration by the Legislature.”

Mr. Tomlinson moved

That the fifth amendment be concurred in,

Upon which motion

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—Mr. Cahall—1.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendment, having received the required constitutional majority,

Was

Concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Tomlinson,

The sixth amendment was read, as follows :

6. Amend the bill by adding the following as Section 30 :

“SECTION 30. It shall not be lawful, in any event, for the said Sussex County Ship Canal Company to organize under this act unless with a bona fide stock subscription of at least two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, nothing previously contained in this act to the contrary notwithstanding.”

For concurrence.

H. T. DOWNING,

Extract from Journal.

Clerk of the Senate.

Mr. Tomlinson moved

That the sixth amendment be concurred in,

Upon which motion

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Eastburn, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—Mr. Cahall—1.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendment, having received the required constitutional majority,

Was

Concurred in.

All the amendments having been concurred in, it was

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Pilling,

The Senate bill entitled

“An act to incorporate ‘The William Lea and Son’s Company,’”

Was read.

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

“An act to amend an act entitled, ‘An act to incorporate the City of New Castle.’”

Mr. Horsey, a member of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in a joint resolution entitled,

“Joint resolution in relation to a Ship Canal,”

And presented the same to the House.

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

“An act to incorporate the Union Methodist Episcopal Church, of Gumboro’ hundred, Sussex county,”

Reported the same back with an amendment, and with the recommendation that the bill, as amended, pass the House.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion,

The amendment was read,

And further, on his motion,

Was

Adopted.

And, on his further motion,

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

And on the question, “Shall this bill pass the House?”

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof and that the bill be returned to that body with a request to concur in the amendment.

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

“An act to incorporate the James & Webb Printing and Stationery Company,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

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 yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 473 of Volume 13 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act to incorporate the Town of Georgetown,’ ”

Was read.

Mr. McNeal, on behalf of a majority of the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Nathaniel Holmes, asking to be divorced from his wife, Helen M., reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Nathaniel Holmes from his wife,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

Was read.

Mr. Van Burkalow presented the following report, viz :

The undersigned, a member of the Committee on Divorces, begs leave to submit the following minority report :

That the evidence produced in the case of Nathaniel Holmes, praying an act divorcing himself and Helen M. Holmes from the bonds of matrimony, shows solely the difficulty existing between the aforesaid parties are purely of a private character, and are, in fact, simply differences existing between themselves as man and wife—no act charged by either party, that would warrant either a court of law or a General Assembly to take cognizance of the matter.

Very respectfully,

M. S. VAN BURKALOW,
Member of the Committee on Divorces.

March 17, 1881.

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

"An act to amend Chapter 74 of Revised Code of 1852, as amended and published in 1874, entitled 'Of Marriages.'"

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

"An act to prevent the Desecration of the Sabbath and protect the citizens of the State in its quiet enjoyment."

Mr. Cahall gave notice that on to-morrow, or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce sundry bills entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 17 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware of 1852, as amended and published in 1874, and for other purposes,"

"An act to repeal Chapter 424 of Volume 13, Laws of Delaware, and for other purposes," and

"An act to further amend the Charter of the City of Wilmington."

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

“An act to incorporate the Delaware Steam Appliance Company,”

Reported the same favorably with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion,

The amendment was read,

And further, on his motion,

The amendment was

Adopted,

And, on his further motion,

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

And on the question, “Shall this bill pass the House?”

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Wood-keeper and Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Graham, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act to lay out a new public road in Kent county, Kenton hundred,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And further, on his motion,

Was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Eliason moved

That when the House adjourn it adjourn to meet at 8½ o'clock to-morrow morning,

Which motion

Prevailed.

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

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act to amend Chapter 55 of the Revised Code,' passed at Dover, March 14, 1877."

On motion of Mr. Jones,

The bill entitled,

"An act to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 17, in Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

The bill entitled,

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

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

The Senate bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Sylvester G. Downs from his wife, Clara A., and for other purposes,"

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Divorces.

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

“Joint resolution in relation to the Militia,”

And presented the same to the House.

Mr. Tomlinson moved

That the joint resolution be read,

Which motion

Prevailed,

And, on his further motion,

The joint resolution was

Concurred in.

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

Mr. T. N. Williams, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom was referred a petition for a new school district at Houston, Sussex county, reported with the recommendation that no action be taken in the premises.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The report was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The bill entitled,

“An act to divorce Samuel Lippett, from his wife, Matilda,”

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Stayton,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act authorizing the improvement of the Streets in the Town of Laurel, in Sussex county,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The Senate joint resolution entitled,
 “Joint resolution in relation to a Ship Canal,”

Was read,

And, on his further motion,

The joint resolution was *Concurred in.*

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

Mr. Pennewill, a member of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House joint resolution entitled,

“Joint resolution in relation to invitation to visit Wilmington Public Schools,”

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Van Burkalow,

The bill entitled,

“An act authorizing the sale and conveyance of certain real estate in the Town of Felton,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And further, on his motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Jones,

The bill entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 9, Volume 16 of the Laws of the State of Delaware,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The Senate joint resolution entitled,

“Joint resolution in relation to the sale of the copies of the Code as amended and published in 1874,”

Was read.

And, on his further motion,

Was

Concurred in.

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

On motion, the House adjourned until 8½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, March 18, 1881—8½ o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called.

Journal read and approved.

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

“An act concerning the Newark and Delaware City Railroad Company,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

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.

Mr. Van Burkalow moved

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Tuesday next,

Upon which motion

Mr. Robinson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Cahall, Jones, McNeal, Stayton, A. C. Williams and T. N. Williams—6.

Nays—Messrs. Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—13.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

Lost.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall and A. C. Williams—2.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred a petition of C. P. Swayne and others, praying for an act to lay out a new public road in North-West Fork hundred. reported a bill entitled,

“ An act to authorize the laying out of a public road in North-West Fork hundred, Sussex county, State of Delaware, ”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Swayne,

The bill entitled,

“An act to amend an act entitled, ‘An act to amend Sections 13 and 17 of Chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes,’ passed at Dover, February 26, 1879,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And further, on his motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

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

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to repeal Section 27 of Chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes, Laws of Delaware,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Jones,

Was read.

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

On motion of Mr. Moore,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act for the Protection of Muskrats,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Register,

Was read.

Mr. McNeal, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to divorce Sylvester G. Downs from his wife, Clara A., and for other purposes,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

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 yeas and nays were ordered,
Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Cahall, Eastburn, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton and Tomlinson—10.

Nays—Messrs. Eliason, Moore, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—9.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

The Senate bill entitled

“An act to encourage the education of the colored people,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

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

“An act to amend Chapter 60 of Revised Code of 1852, as amended and published in 1874, entitled ‘Concerning Roads and Bridges.’ ”

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

The bill entitled,

“An act to divorce Nathaniel Holmes from his wife,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Divorces.

Mr. Tomlinson moved

That when the House adjourn it adjourn to meet at 3.30 o'clock, P. M., on Monday next,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Jones,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to grant certain real estate to the Philadelphia Maritime Exchange for the purpose of erecting an observatory and reporting station thereon,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to a special committee of three,

Whereupon

Messrs. Jones, Graham and Swayne were appointed said committee.

Mr. A. C. Williams gave notice that, on to-morrow or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce sundry bills entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Kent County Paper Manufacturing Company,” and

“An act to incorporate the Union Gas Company.”

On motion, the House adjourned until Monday, at 3½ o'clock, P. M.

MONDAY, March 21, 1881—3.30 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Van Burkalow gave notice that, on to-morrow or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce sundry bills entitled,

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

“An act to divide School District No. 85, in Kent county, establish graded schools therein, and for other purposes,”

“A supplement to an act entitled, ‘An act to reincorporate Camden Union Camp Grounds for the Methodist Episcopal Church of Delaware and Philadelphia,’ passed at Dover, February 19, 1879,” and

“An act to enable the Town of Dover to provide for a supply of water.”

Mr. Robinson gave notice that, on to-morrow or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce sundry bills entitled,

“An act regulating the assignment of Licenses to sell intoxicating liquors,” and

“An act for the Relief of Trustees and Guardians.”

Mr. Van Burkalow, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to amend the act entitled, ‘An act to amend Chapter 55 of the Revised Code,’ passed at Dover, March 12, 1877,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Van Burkalow,

Was read.

Mr. Bradford gave notice that, on to-morrow or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce sundry bills entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Gregg and Bowe Carriage Company,”

“An act to incorporate the Farmers’ Market Company, of Wilmington,”

“An act to amend an act entitled, ‘An act to enable the owners of the Marsh Meadow near Newport, called Conrad’s Cripple, to keep the banks, &c., in repair, and raise a fund to defray the expense thereof,’ ”

“An act to authorize the Levy Court of New Castle County to repay certain moneys to Benjamin F. Townsend and others,”

“An act to amend the Constitution of the State of Delaware,”

“An act to amend an act entitled, ‘An act to establish a State Board of Health for the State of Delaware,’ passed at Dover, March 13, 1879,”

“An act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes of Delaware, entitled ‘Of Pleading and Practice in Civil Actions,’ ”

“An act in relation to imprisonment for crime,”

“An act to Improve Cherry Island Marsh,”

“An act for the Improvement of the City of New Castle,”

“An act to incorporate the Arlington Mills Manufacturing Company,”

“An act to encourage the culture of Beets, Sorghum and other Sugar-Producing Plants for manufacture into sugar, in the State of Delaware,”

“An act to incorporate the Brandywine Cornet Band, of Wilmington, Delaware,”

“An act to amend the act entitled, ‘An act in relation to the duties of the Assessors and of the Levy Courts in the several Counties of this State,’ passed at Dover, April 9, 1873,” and

“An act in reference to the competency of witnesses.”

Mr. Downing, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in sundry House bills entitled,

“An act for the Preservation of the Public Health,”

“An act in relation to Railway Tracks in the City of Wilmington,”

"An act authorizing William J. Carlisle to straighten a public road in Nanticoke hundred, Sussex county," and

"An act to incorporate the Wharton Branch Canal Improvement Company,"

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in sundry bills and a joint resolution entitled,

"An act to unite School Districts Nos. 26 and 112 into one school district, under the title of 'The Canterbury Public Schools,'"

"An act to enable William W. Dashiell to locate certain vacant land in Sussex county, and complete his title to the same,"

"An act uniting the school districts of Georgetown, Sussex county,"

"An act to prevent the spread of contagious or infectious pleuropneumonia among the cattle of this State,"

"An act to re-enact the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Sisters of Charity of St. Peter's School, and to grant said corporation certain lands in Mill Creek hundred,'" and

"Joint resolution in relation to printing the Report of the Insurance Commissioner,"

And presented the same to the House.

Mr. Register presented a petition of Annie E. Davis for a divorce from her husband, Robert Davis,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Register,

Was referred to the Committee on Divorces.

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

"An act to vacate a private road in Duck Creek hundred, Kent county."

Mr. Eastburn 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 Wheel Company."

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

“An act to incorporate the Farmers’ Loan and Improvement Association.”

Mr. Robinson presented the petition of James H. Bell and others, praying for an act to lay out a new public road in Milford hundred, Kent county,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Was read,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 473 of Volume 13 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act to incorporate the Town of Georgetown,’ ”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

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

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Male Protectory of Wilmington, Delaware,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

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

“An act to amend Chapter 381, Volume 15, entitled ‘Of Taverns, Ale Houses and Victualing Houses.’ ”

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

“An act to prohibit live stock from running at large in School District No. 81, Sussex county.”

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

“An act to enable J. Alexander Fulton to take up and pay for a tract of salt marsh,” and

“An act authorizing the laying out of a new public road in Little Creek hundred, Kent county.”

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

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to amend the act entitled, ‘An act in relation to the Collection of Taxes in this State,’ passed at Dover, April 10, 1873,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

Mr. Swayne gave notice that, on to-morrow or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce sundry bills entitled,

“An act providing for Assistant Assessors,”

“An act to prevent the illegal practice of medicine in this State,” and

“An act to suppress the publication of immoral advertisements and notices in the newspapers of this State.”

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

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Frankford Oyster-Planting Company,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Swayne,

The Senate bill entitled,

“A further supplement to an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from or near the borough of Wilmington, in the county of New Castle, on the east side of the Brandywine Creek, in the route through West Chester, to the turn-pike roads in the Great Valley in the State of Pennsylvania,’ passed at Dover, January 23, 1811,”

Was read.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred a petition for a new public road in Georgetown hundred, Sussex county, reported a bill entitled,

“An act to authorize the laying out of a public road in Georgetown hundred, Sussex county,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

The Senate bill entitled

“An act to incorporate the Peninsular Transportation Company,”

Was read.

Mr. Register gave notice that, on to-morrow or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce sundry bills entitled,

“An act to protect the purity of the ballot and punish corruption at elections,”

“An act to amend Section 19, Chapter 104, Revised Statutes,”

“A supplement to the act providing for the refunding of the State Debt at a lower rate of interest, passed at Dover, March 16, 1881,” and

“An act to incorporate the Delaware Land Improvement Company.”

Mr. T. N. Williams presented a claim of J. H. Groves against the State of Delaware,

Which,

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,
Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act to amend Chapter 73 of the Revised Code of 1852, as amended and published in 1874, entitled ‘Of the City of Wilmington,’ also to amend an act entitled, ‘An act to further amend the charter of the City of Wilmington,’ passed at Dover, March 21, 1877, and to provide for a temporary loan to said city to defray the current expenses thereof for a portion of the present year,”

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

On motion of Mr. Bradford,
The report was

Adopted.

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

“Joint resolution in relation to adjournment,”

And presented the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,
The joint resolution just presented was read.
Mr. T. N. Williams offered an amendment,
Which,

On his motion, was read, as follows:

Amend by striking out the word “second,” in line third of Section second, and insert in lieu thereof the word “ninth.”

And, on the further motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

The amendment was

Adopted.

And further, on his motion,

The joint resolution, as amended, was

Concurred in.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof and the joint resolution, as amended, returned to that body, with the request that the Senate concur in the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Swayne,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act for the further security of life and limb in cases of fire,”
Was read.

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act empowering the Board of Education of the Dover Public Schools to make certain improvements,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Register, in pursuance of previous notice, asked; and,

On motion of Mr. Stayton,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to further amend an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate the Duck Creek Improvement Company,’”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Register,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act uniting the school districts of Georgetown, Sussex county,”

Was read.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 17, in Sussex county,”

Reported the same back with an amendment, and with the recommendation that the bill, as amended, pass the House.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

The bill was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion,
 The amendment was read,
 And further, on his motion,
 Was

Adopted.

And, on his further motion,

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

And on the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

The bill entitled,

"An act to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 83, in 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 yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Stayton, Swayne and Van Burkalow—8.

Nays—Messrs. Eliason, Robinson, Townsend, A. C. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—6.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Mr. Bradford moved

That the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Bradford moved

That the bill be laid upon the table,
Which motion

Prevailed.

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

“An act to incorporate the Dover Gas Light Company,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

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 yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Register, Robinson, Swayne, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Stayton,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to authorize A. K. Corbin, W. A. Corbin, and J. T. Noble, to lay out and make a public road through their own land,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

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

“An act to grant certain real estate to the Philadelphia Maritime Exchange for the purpose of erecting an observatory and reporting station thereon,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Jones,

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?”

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

The bill entitled,

“An act authorizing George Hallowell to change and straighten a public road on his own lands, in Seaford hundred, Sussex county,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion the House adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, March 22, 1881—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Register presented a resolution of the Levy Court of New Castle County, extending an invitation to the General Assembly to visit the Court House in Wilmington,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Register,

Was read.

Mr. Register moved

That the invitation be accepted,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. T. N. Williams, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to Encourage the Education of the Colored People,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. T. N. Williams,

The bill was taken up for consideration.

Mr. T. N. Williams moved

That the bill be read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Cahall moved

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Thursday, the 24th inst., at 3 o'clock, P. M.,

Upon which motion

Mr. T. N. Williams called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Cahall, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Register, Robinson, Van Burkalow and Mr. Speaker—8.

Nays—Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Pilling, Townsend, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams and Woodkeeper—9.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

Lost.

Sections 1, 2 and 3 were read and adopted,

Section 4 was read, and

On the question, “ Shall that be Section 4 of the bill ? ”

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas — Messrs. Bradford, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Pilling, Swayne, Townsend, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—11.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Register, Robinson, Tomlinson and Van Burkalow—8.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And Section 4 was

Adopted.

The title of the bill was read, and

On the question, “ Shall that be the title of the bill ? ”

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the title was

Adopted.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas — Messrs. Bradford, Eliason, Graham, Pilling, Swayne, Townsend, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—10.

Nays—Messrs. Cahall, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Tomlinson and Van Burkalow—9.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

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

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

“Joint resolution in relation to adjournment.”

He also presented to the House the following duly and correctly enrolled Senate bill for the signature of the Speaker, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz :

“An act to divorce Sylvester G. Downs from his wife, Clara A., and for other purposes.”

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

On motion of Mr. Pilling,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Arlington Mills Manufacturing Company,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

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

“An act to repeal Chapter 81 of Volume 16, Delaware Laws, and to supply a substitute therefor.”

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

On motion of Mr. Van Burkalow,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to prevent the Desecration of the Sabbath and protect our people in their quiet and peaceful enjoyment,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Register,

Was read,

And, on his further motion,

Rule 12 was suspended, that the bill might proceed to a second reading,

And further, on his motion,

The bill was read a second time by its title,

And referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

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

“An act authorizing the building of a permanent railroad bridge across Murderkill Creek, in Kent county.”

Mr. Swayne 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, Chapter 42 of the Revised Code, entitled ‘Of Free Schools,’ as published in 1874.”

Mr. Robinson, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred a petition for the impeachment of Derrick B. Morris, a Justice of the Peace in Sussex county, made a report,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Was read, as follows :

The special committee to whom was referred the petition of W. S. Johnson and others, asking the impeachment of one D. B. Morris, a Justice of the Peace in Sussex county, for certain alleged misdemeanors in office, after carefully examining the same, have directed me to report that the committee deem it unadvisable to take any action in the premises.

P. ROBINSON.

Mr. Robinson moved

That the report be adopted,

Upon which motion

Mr. Bradford called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Tomlinson, Van Burkalow, T. N. Williams and Mr. Speaker—11.

Nays—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Pilling, Swayne, Townsend, A. C. Williams and Woodkeeper—9.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the report was

Adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. Swayne,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Brandywine Cornet Band, of Wilmington, Delaware,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

Mr. McNeal, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to divorce Robert Alvin Cochran and Emma Cochran *a vinculo matrimonii*,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. McNeal,

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 ? ”

Mr. McNeal called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Jones, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Tomlinson, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams and Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—Messrs. Swayne, Townsend and Woodkeeper—3.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

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

Mr. Eastburn, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and,
On motion of Mr. Bradford,
Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,
“An act to incorporate the Diamond State Wheel Company,”
Which,
On motion of Mr. Eastburn,
Was read.

Mr. Robinson, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and,
On motion of Mr. Jones,
Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,
“An act regulating Pilots and Pilotage of and on the Bay and River Delaware,”
Which,
On motion of Mr. Robinson,
Was read,
And, on motion of Mr. Jones,

One hundred copies of the bill were ordered printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Tomlinson, on behalf of the Committee on Enrollment, reported as duly and correctly enrolled and signed by the Speaker of the Senate, the Senate bill entitled,

“An act to divorce Sylvester G. Downs from his wife, Clara A., and for other purposes,”

And presented the same for the signature of the Speaker of the House.

On motion, the House adjourned until this afternoon at three o'clock.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. T. N. Williams moved

That the vote by which the report of the special committee to whom was referred the petitions asking for the impeachment of D. B. Morris, a Justice of the Peace in Sussex county, was adopted, be reconsidered,

Which motion *Prevailed.*

Mr. Graham moved

That the said petition, with the affidavit of John M. White, be referred to the same committee, with power to summon witnesses,

Which motion *Prevailed.*

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act authorizing the sale and conveyance of certain real estate in the Town of Felton,”

Reported the same back with recommendation that the bill pass.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

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,

And on the question, “Shall this bill pass the House?”

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill *Passed the House.*

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. Pilling,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 19, Chapter 104, Revised Statutes,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Register,

Was read.

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

On motion of Mr. Stayton,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to amend Chapter 20, Volume 15 Delaware Laws, entitled
Of Elections,'"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The Senate amendment to the House bill entitled,

"An act to amend Section 8, Chapter 106, Revised Code,"

Was read, as follows :

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Amend the bill by striking out all after the word "resident," in
the fourth line, to the word "in," in the fifth line.

For concurrence.

H. T. DOWNING,

Extract from Journal.

Clerk of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The amendment was

Concurred in.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Register,

The bill entitled,

"An act to further amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate
the Duck Creek Improvement Company,'"

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Cahall, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

“An act empowering the Board of Education of the Dover Public Schools to make certain improvements,”

Reported the same back to the House with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

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 yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

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

“An act to incorporate the New Castle on Delaware Elevator Company,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The bill was taken up for consideration.

And further, on his 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. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

"An act for the Relief of the Heirs of James Price, deceased,"

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

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,

And, on the question, "Shall this bill pass the House?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Van Burkalow presented a remonstrance against the appointment of additional constables by the Governor, for the city of Wilmington,

Which,

On his motion, was read.

On motion of Mr. Van Burkalow,

The bill entitled,

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act to amend Chapter 55 of the Revised Code,' passed at Dover, March 12, 1877,"

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. Townsend,
 The Senate bill entitled
 "An act to incorporate the Peninsular Transportation Company,"
 Was read a second time by its title,
 And, on his further motion,
 Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

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

"An act authorizing the improvement of the Streets in the Town of Laurel, in Sussex county,"

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,
 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 yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Graham, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Register, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—18.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

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

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to encourage the culture of Beets, Sorghum and other Sugar-Producing Plants for manufacture into sugar, in the State of Delaware,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act authorizing George Hallowell to change and straighten a public road on his own lands, in Seaford hundred, Sussex county,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

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 ?”

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. Van Burkalow,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to further amend the charter of the City of Wilmington,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

Was read.

Mr. Pilling moved

That the bill just read be published in five successive issues of each of two Wilmington papers, and that all further consideration of the bill be postponed during the time taken for such publishing of the bill.

Mr. Register moved

That the motion be amended, substituting the word "three" for the word "five."

Mr. Cahall moved

That the amendment be amended by substituting the word "one" for the word "three,"

Which motion *Prevailed.*

The question then recurring on the motion to amend,

The amendment was *Adopted.*

The question then recurring on the motion of Mr. Pilling, as amended,

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the motion *Prevailed.*

Mr. Swayne moved

That the vote by which the unfavorable report upon the petition for a new school district at Houston was adopted, be reconsidered,

Which motion *Prevailed.*

On motion of Mr. Swayne,

Said petition was recommitted.

Mr. Bradford presented a remonstrance against the appointment of additional constables by the Governor for the city of Wilmington,

Which,

On his motion, was read,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the laying out of a public road in Georgetown hundred, Sussex county,"

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The bill entitled,

“An act to amend Chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled ‘Of Conveyances,’ ”

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. Register,

The bill entitled,

“An act for the protection of muskrats.”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

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

“An act to reincorporate the owners and possessors of the marsh or low ground commonly called and known by the name of the Culbreth Marsh, situate in North Murderkill and West Dover hundreds, in Kent county, under the title of ‘The Culbreth’s Marsh Ditch Company,’ ”

Reported the same with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

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 yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bradford, Cahall, Eliason, Graham, McNeal, Moore, Pilling, Robinson, Stayton, Swayne, Tomlinson, Townsend, Van Burk-alow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker
—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tomlinson,

The Senate bill entitled,

“An act to unite School Districts Nos. 26 and 112 into one school district, under the title of ‘The Canterbury Public Schools,’”

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The bill entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Frankford Oyster-Planting Company,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Swayne,

The Senate bill entitled,

“A further supplement to an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from or near the borough of Wilmington, in the county of New Castle, on the east side of the Brandywine Creek, in the route through West Chester, to the turn-pike roads in the Great Valley in the State of Pennsylvania,’ passed at Dover, January 23, 1811,”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

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

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to amend Chapter 74 of Revised Code of 1852, as amended and published in 1874, entitled ‘Of Marriages.’”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

Was read.

Mr. Bradford, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom was referred the bill entitled,

“An act in relation to the purchase of law books for the use of the Courts of New Castle county,”

Reported the same back with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

The bill was taken up for consideration.

And further, on his motion,

Was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Bradford moved

That when the House adjourn it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at 10 o'clock, A. M.,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 24, 1881—10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. E. C. McNichol.

Roll called.

Journal read and approved.

The bill entitled,

“An act to divorce James A. Conner from his wife, Clara V. Conner,”

Being the order of the day,

Was taken up for consideration.

On motion,

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

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

Mr. Bradford called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Cahall, Eastburn, Eliason, Matthews, McNeal, Pilling, Robinson and Tomlinson—8.

Nays—Messrs. Bradford, Graham, Moore, Townsend, Van Burkalow, A. C. Williams, T. N. Williams, Woodkeeper and Mr. Speaker—9.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill was

Lost.

Mr. Robinson asked to be excused from serving on the special committee to whom was referred the petition for the impeachment of D. B. Morris, as he was a member of several of the most important committees of the House, and would not be able to devote the time and

attention to this one that would be necessary under the late instructions of the House.

The request was granted, and Mr. Tomlinson was appointed upon said committee in the place of Mr. Robinson.

Mr. Register asked to be relieved from this or some other committee, as he could not serve all with justice to himself.

He was excused from the same committee, and Mr. Cahall was appointed to fill his place.

Mr. Bradford presented a remonstrance against the passage of an act authorizing the appointment of additional constables in New Castle county,

Which,

On his motion, was read,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Register presented a petition in relation to beet sugar culture,

Which,

On his motion, was read,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Eliason, on behalf of the special committee to whom was referred the several petitions of citizens of New Castle county, praying for a division of said county, presented a report,

Which,

On his motion, was read, as follows :

The committee to whom was referred the several petitions of citizens of New Castle county, praying a division of said county into two counties, having duly considered the subject matter of said petitions, make the following report :

That your committee are of opinion that the object sought to be attained by the said petitioners cannot be accomplished by direct legislation, and can only be properly effected by means of a Constitutional Convention.

Your committee would therefore, without expressing an opinion as to the propriety of county division, recommend the enactment of a proper law to provide for the calling of such a convention in the constitutional mode, so that the whole subject may be fully considered and finally disposed of.

ANDREW ELIASON,
C. H. REGISTER,
M. S. VAN BURKALOW,
T. N. WILLIAMS,
WM. P. JONES,
HENRY SWAYNE.

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

The report was adopted and the committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Register,

The Senate bill entitled

“An act to unite School Districts Nos. 26 and 112 into one school district, under the title of ‘The Canterbury Public Schools,’ ”

Was read a second time by its title,

And, on his further motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

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

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to repeal Chapter 81 of Volume 16, Delaware Laws, and to supply a substitute therefor,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

Was read.

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

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to amend an act entitled, ‘An act to enable the owners of the Marsh Meadow near Newport, called Conrad’s Cripple, to keep

the banks, &c., in repair, and raise a fund to defray the expense thereof,' ”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

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

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to amend an act entitled, ‘An act limiting the term of imprisonment of persons committed to jail upon a failure to pay fine and costs in cases before the Mayors of cities and Justices of the Peace,’ passed at Dover, March 10, 1879,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

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

On motion of Mr. Eliason,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes of Delaware, entitled ‘Of Pleading and Practice in Civil Actions,’ ”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read.

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

On motion of Mr. Pilling,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act to Encourage the Propagation of Fish,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,

Was read,

Mr. Downing, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in sundry House bills, entitled as follows :

“An act authorizing the appointment of an additional Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, and Constable in New Castle county,”

“An act in relation to binding of apprentices by the Western Home for Poor Children and the Southern Home for Destitute Children,”

“An act to incorporate the Batson Branch Ditch Company, in Baltimore Hundred, Sussex county, Delaware,”

“An act to vacate a certain part of a public road in Indian River hundred, Sussex county,”

“An act in relation to weights and measures,”

“A supplement to the act entitled ‘An act to exempt wages from execution attachment process,’ ”

“An act relating to the proof of the genuineness of disputed writings,”

“An act for the Relief of Executors, Administrators and Trustees,”

“An act to authorize the Governor to appoint a Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries and to provide for his compensation,”

“An act to prevent live stock from running at large in School District No. 151 in Sussex County,”

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had passed, with amendments, and requested the concurrence of the House in the same, the House bills entitled,

“An act to incorporate the Union Cemetery of Georgetown,”

“An act to authorize the laying out a public road in Milford hundred,”

“An act to lay out a new public road in Mispillion hundred, Kent county,”

And returned the same to the House.

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

“A supplement to the act entitled ‘An act to provide for the refunding of the present bonded debt of this State at a lower rate of interest,’ passed at Dover March 16, 1881,”

“An act to incorporate The Delaware Manufacturing Company,”

“An act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 73 of Volume 14 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘A supplement to an act entitled ‘An act for the Protection of Fishermen,’ ”

“An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 72 of Volume 14 of the Laws of Delaware entitled ‘An act for the Protection of Fishermen,”

Also,

“Joint resolution in relation to moneys paid by the State of Delaware on account of bounties during the late civil war,”

And presented the same to the House.

He also presented for the signature of the Speaker of the House, the same having been signed by the Speaker of the Senate, the following duly and correctly enrolled Senate bills, to wit :

“An act to provide for the refunding of the present bonded debt of this State at a lower rate of interest,”

“An act concerning the Newark and Delaware City Railroad Company,”

“An act to amend an act to alter and amend the act entitled, ‘An act to raise revenue for State and County purposes,’ passed at Dover, February 9, 1875,”

“An act for the Relief of the Artisan’s Savings Bank,”

“An act to amend the act entitled, ‘An act to reincorporate the Town of Dover,’ passed at Dover, February 27, 1879,” and

“An act to incorporate the New Castle Loan Association, of New Castle.”

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

On motion of Mr. Eastburn,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

“An act in relation to Marriage,”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Bradford,