

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Eliason, the bill (H. B. No. 98) entitled
 "An act to incorporate the College Settlement Company,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

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

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

"An act to incorporate the Isaacs Branch Ditch Company,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

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

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Thursday, March 18, 1897—10 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

Journal read and approved.

Standing Committee reports.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Elections, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 143, entitled

“An act to divide Kenton hundred into two election districts,”

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

On motion of Mr. L. S. Hopkins further consideration of the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 87, entitled

“An act to further amend Chapter 206, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

tions, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 46, entitled

“An act for the renewal of the charter of the Trump Bros. Machine Company.” Passed at Dover, February 11, 1879,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 77, entitled

“A further supplement to an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate the Harlan & Hollingsworth Company,’ ”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 131, entitled

“An act amending an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate the Union Cemetery Company, of Georgetown,’ ”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 35, entitled

“An act to divorce Emma Hooten and John L. Hooten,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 52, entitled

“An act to divorce George T. Hannahs and Mary E. Hannahs,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 41, entitled

“An act to divorce Mabel O. Till and William J. Till,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 19, entitled

“An act to divorce Martha P. Argo from her husband, Robert H. Argo,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 194, entitled

“An act authorizing School District No. 52, in Sussex County, to borrow money for building purposes,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

Senate bill No. 45, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Greater Wilmington Printing and Publishing Company.”

House bill No. 86, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Wilmington Bicycle Club.”

House bill No. 25, entitled

“An act to divorce Mary J. Vandyke from her husband, William T. Vandyke.”

House bill No. 125, entitled

"An act divorcing Clara D. Farrow and Edward S. Farrow from the bonds of matrimony."

House bill No. 137, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 53, Volume 12, Laws of Delaware, as printed in the Revised Code at pages 387 and 388."

Senate bill No. 43, entitled

"An act to vacate the Rockford or Bancroft road in the City of Wilmington."

House bill No. 81, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act making Saturdays throughout the year, from and after the first day of June in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five, half holidays in the City of Wilmington for banking and trust company purposes.'"

Senate bill No. 73, entitled

"An act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional Justice of the Peace and Notary Public in and for Kent County."

House bill No. 20, entitled

"An act to repeal an act transferring the farms of Stephen E. Evans, Cyrus Holt, Peter Townsend and Mary W. Bennett from School District No. 123 to School District No. 181, in Sussex County."

House joint resolution No. 28, entitled

"House joint resolution appointing directors on the part of the State for the Farmers' Bank at Georgetown."

House joint resolution No. 29, entitled

"House joint resolution in regard to the Robbins Hose Company, No. 1, of Dover, Delaware."

House bill No. 36, entitled

"An act to divorce Joseph S. Durham from his wife, Mary J. Durham."

House bill No. 87, entitled

"An act divorcing Lena M. Cole from her husband, George F. Cole."

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 100, entitled

"An act authorizing papers and instruments to be type-written,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Taxation, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 79, entitled

"An act relating to taxation in certain parts of the City of Wilmington,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

"An act to divorce Wesley G. Wright from his wife, Lizzie Wright."

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

"An act in relation to the collection of taxes for New Castle County."

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

"An act to authorize and require the Levy Court of Sussex County to keep a certain road in said county in repair."

Mr. Cheairs offered a joint resolution entitled

"House joint resolution in relation to adjournment,"

Which, on his motion was read.

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

The yeas and nays were called for.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Dukes, Eliason, Hazell, L. S. Hopkins, Martin, McCullough, Taylor—9.

Nays—Messrs. Davis, Dempsey, J. H. Hopkins, McCoy, Short, Smith, Thompson, Whitney, Mr. Speaker—9.

The vote being a tie,

The joint resolution was declared

Lost.

Mr. L. S. Hopkins offered a joint resolution entitled

"Joint resolution empowering the Insurance Commissioner of this State to have certain printing done and to be compensated for the same,"

Which, on his motion, was read,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Eliason moved that the Standing House Committee on Accounts be increased two members,

Which motion

Prevailed.

The Speaker named as the additional members of the committee, Messrs. Dempsey and J. H. Hopkins.

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

House bill No. 34, entitled

"An act to divorce Major T. Faucett from his wife, Jane Faucett."

House bill No. 83, entitled

"An act to amend, renew, re-enact and extend the act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Delaware State Grange Mutual Fire Insurance Company.'"

House bill No. 104, entitled

"An act to authorize the School Commissioners of School District No. 18, of Sussex County to move their school house."

House bill No. 107, entitled

"An act to vacate a part of a public road in Kenton hundred, Kent County."

House bill No. 17, entitled

"An act to divorce Fannie Beach from her husband, Harvey C. Beach."

House bill No. 74, entitled

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

House bill No. 8, entitled

"An act to divorce William A. Bennum and Mary E. Bennum, his wife.

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

House bill No. 68, entitled

"An act to establish the voting place in the Eastern Election District of White Clay Creek hundred, New Castle County, Del."

House bill No. 18, entitled

"An act in relation to the estate of aliens and to complete their title to the same."

House bill No. 66, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Frederica and Philadelphia Navigation Company.'"

House bill No. 70, entitled

"An act to divorce Caroline Bolte and William T. Bolte from the bonds of matrimony."

House bill No. 99, entitled

"An act to change the name of Clayton Clyne Worthington to Clayton Clyne Tunnell."

House bill No. 12, entitled

"An act divorcing William J. Pierce and Mary E. Pierce from the bonds of matrimony."

House bill No. 14, entitled

"An act to divorce William B. Lowery from his wife, Mary Lowery, a vinculo matrimonii."

House bill No. 55, entitled

"An act to divorce Fannie Mason and Robert J. Mason from the bonds of matrimony."

House bill No. 63, entitled

"An act to amend Section 12 of Chapter 133 of the Revised Code of 1893."

House bill No. 71, entitled

"An act to transfer the farm now belonging to Eddie W. Godwin from School District No. 31 to School District No. 120, in Sussex County."

House bill No. 16, entitled

"An act to divorce Maggie M. Bryant from her husband, Harvey H. Bryant."

H. B. No. 52, entitled

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

House bill No. 65, entitled

"An act to transfer the land of Philip E. Davis from School District No. 39 to School District No. 176, in Sussex County."

House bill No. 29, entitled

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

House bill No. 7, entitled

"An act to divorce Annie M. Roach and Rufus A. Roach her husband."

House bill No. 94, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 556, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware."

House bill No. 30, entitled

"An act to change the name of Bennett Maas to Bennett Mays."

House bill No. 47, entitled

"An act to divorce William J. Lane and Minnie Lane from the bonds of matrimony."

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

House joint resolution No. 23, entitled

"Joint resolution in relation to the publication of equity reports."

House joint resolution No. 25, entitled

"Joint resolution extending an invitation to the Hon. William Jennings Bryan to address the General Assembly."

House joint resolution No. 19, entitled

"Joint resolution in regard to attending the funeral of the late Hon. Leonard E. Wales."

House joint resolution No. 16, entitled

"Joint resolution in relation to the arbitration treaty secured by President Cleveland's administration."

House joint resolution No. 29, entitled

"Joint resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay to the Delaware State Hospital for the Insane, fifteen thousand dollars."

House joint resolution No. 20, entitled

"Joint resolution in regard to adjournment."

House joint resolution No. 24, entitled

"Joint resolution appointing a Joint Committee to make arrangements to attend the inauguration of President-elect McKinley."

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

House joint resolution No. 26, entitled

"Joint resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to purchase for the use of his office a typewriter and desk."

Also, House bill No. 27, entitled

"An act to divorce Teresa P. Dicus and James A. Dicus from the bonds of matrimony."

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

"Joint resolution in relation to State Insane Hospital at Farnhurst."

And returned the same to the House.

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

Senate bill No. 98, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 145, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act in relation to mechanics liens.'"

Senate bill No. 2, entitled

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

And presented the same to the House.

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

House bill No. 125, entitled

"An act divorcing Clara D. Farrow and Edward S. Farrow from the bonds of matrimony."

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

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 203) entitled

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

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

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 207) entitled

“An act to incorporate the Peninsula Press Company of Wilmington, Del.”

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

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

“An act to amend Chapter 605, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act to incorporate School District No. 119, in Kent County, and for other purposes.’”

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

“An act in relation to the division of Kenton hundred into two election districts, and to establish a voting place in the town of Clayton, Kent County.”

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

On motion of Mr. Wilson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 205) entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 185, Volume 20 of the Laws of Delaware.” Passed at Dover, May 9, 1895,

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

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Adams,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 208) entitled

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act in relation to foreign corporations doing business in this State,’ ”

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

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

On motion of Mr. Hazell,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 206) entitled

“An act to incorporate the New Castle News Publishing Company,”

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

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

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 204) entitled

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate the Beaver Dam Ditch Company, in Baltimore hundred, Sussex County,’ ”

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

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Adams,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 209) entitled

“An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 140, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware,”

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

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 195, entitled

‘An act to amend Chapter 223, Volume 17, of the Laws of Delaware,’

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCoy presented a further report of the Commission appointed to consider the question of municipal government so far as it relates to the City of Wilmington,”

Which, on his motion, was read,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Dukes, the bill (H. B. No. 198) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (H. B. No. 196) entitled

“An act to incorporate the Eastern Inspectors’ Association,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill (S. B. No. 128) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Society of Colonial Wars, in the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Dukes, the bill (H. B. No. 163) entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 144, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Eliason, the bill (S. B. No. 107) entitled

"An act for the relief of Lewis E. Eliason,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of L. S. Hopkins, the bill (S. B. No. 87) entitled

“An act to further amend Chapter 206, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware,”

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

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

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (H. B. No. 195) entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 223, Volume 17, of the Laws of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Friday, March 19, 1897—10 o'clock. A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present—Messrs. Adams, Dempsey, Donaldson, Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, Martin, McCoy, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

Standing Committee reports, none.

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

Senate bill No. 32, entitled

“An act to divorce Kate A. Bogart from her husband, John C. Bogart.”

Senate bill No. 23, entitled

“An act to divorce Ella Dellop from her husband, Charles W. Dellop, a vinculo matrimonii.”

Senate bill No. 49, entitled

“An act amendatory of the charter of the City of Wilmington.”

Also, Senate joint resolution No. 21, entitled

"Senate joint resolution appointing a committee to settle with ex-Attorney General John R. Nicholson."

Senate bill No. 74, entitled

"An act authorizing the appointment of one additional constable in Kent County."

Also, House bill No. 110, entitled

"An act to divorce Seymour C. Downs from his wife, Mary E. Downs."

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

"An act to straighten and widen the public road between Lewes and Rehoboth."

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

"An act in relation to fishing in Drummond's mill pond, otherwise known as Silver lake, and Noxentown mill pond, New Castle County.

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

"An act to incorporate Union Castle, No. 17, Knights of the Golden Eagle, Smyrna, Delaware."

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

"An act to grade and regulate grain distilleries in the State of Delaware."

On motion of Mr. Eliason, the bill (H. B. No. 203) entitled

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

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. McCoy, the bill (H. B. No. 206) entitled

"An act to incorporate the New Castle News Publishing Co.,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (H. B. No. 186) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (H. B. No. 205) entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 185, Volume 20 of the Laws of Delaware," passed at Dover, May 9, 1895,

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. Dempsey, the bill (H. B. No. 207) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Whitney, on behalf of the Committee on Appropriations, to whom had been referred House bill No. 89, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to amend Chapter 166, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,'"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

On motion of Mr. J. H. Hopkins, further consideration of House bill No. 135, entitled

"An act to change the limits of School Districts Nos. 96 and 97, in Kent County,"

Was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Hazell moved that when the House adjourns it stand adjourned until 10.30 A. M., Monday next,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Eliason moved that further consideration of House bill No. 56, entitled

"An act in relation to oysters,"

Be indefinitely postponed,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Donaldson, the bill (H. B. No. 165) entitled

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

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill (S. B. No. 19) entitled

"An act to divorce Martha P. Argo from her husband, Robert H. Argo,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill (S. B. No. 35) entitled

"An act to divorce Emma Hooten and John L. Hooten,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion the House adjourned until 10.30 o'clock, A. M., Monday.

Monday, March 22, 1897—10.30 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

Journal read and approved.

Standing Committee reports.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 128, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Society of Colonial Wars, in the State of Delaware,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

“An act to incorporate the Wilmington Board of Trade,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 97, entitled

"An act to change the name of Edward T. Merritt to that of Edward T. O'Neal, and for other purposes,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

"An act entitled 'An act to legalize and provide for the support and maintenance of the Delaware Colored Teachers' State Institute.'"

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

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

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

"A supplement to Chapter 170, Volume 13 of an act for the protection of cemeteries, graveyards, and places of burial."

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

"An act entitled 'An act for the appointment of a collector for West Election District of Little Creek hundred, Sussex County; also, for the appointment of an assessor for the East Election District of Little Creek hundred, Sussex County.'"

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

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

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

"An act to change date for holding school election in School Election District No. 51, New Castle County."

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

"An act to amend Chapter 178, Volume 15, Laws of Delaware."

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

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

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

"An act to incorporate the John M. Clayton Council, No. 24, Junior Order United American Mechanics, of Clayton."

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

"An act in relation to the revision of certain provisions in the election laws of this State."

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

"An act to straighten and widen the public road between the Red Mill and Five Points, in Lewes and Rehoboth hundreds."

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

"An act to incorporate the Sussex County Game Protective Association."

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

"An act transferring the farm of William S. Martin from School District No. 132, in Sussex County, to School District No. 18, in Sussex County."

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

"An act for the protection of certain game."

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

On motion of Mr. Dukes,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 210) entitled

"An act to incorporate Union Castle, No. 17, Knights of the Golden Eagle, Smyrna, Delaware,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Adams,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 211) entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 605, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act to incorporate School District No. 119, in Kent County, and for other purposes,' "

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

On motion of Mr. L. S. Hopkins, the bill (H. B. No. 208) entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act in relation to foreign corporations doing business in this State,' "

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

On motion of Mr. Dukes, the bill (H. B. No. 204) entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Beaver Dam Ditch Company, in Baltimore hundred, Sussex County,'"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. L. S. Hopkins, the bill (H. B. No. 209) entitled

"An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 140, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill (H. B. No. 199) entitled

"An act in relation to a public road in Kenton hundred,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands.

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (H. B. No. 155) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Wilmington Board of Trade,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

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

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill (S. B. No. 128) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Society of Colonial Wars, in the State of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes, Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins,

Johnson, Martin, McCullough, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill (H. B. No. 177) entitled

“An act to incorporate the Riverside Brick Works,”

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

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

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (S. B. No. 41) entitled

“An act to divorce Mabel O. Till and William J. Till,”

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Eliason, the bill (S. B. No. 61) entitled

“An act to incorporate the Smyrna Steamboat Company,”

Was taken up for consideration,

And, on his further motion the amendments offered by Mr. Hazell, were read as follows:

Amend the title and the bill by striking out the words “The Smyrna Steamboat Company,” wherever the same occur therein and inserting in lieu thereof in the title and the bill the words “Brady Steamboat Company of Smyrna.”

Amend the bill by striking out the word “February,” in the fourteenth line of Section 5, thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the word “March.”

And further on his motion

The amendments were

Adopted.

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

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

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

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

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

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

Senate bill No. 106, entitled

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

Senate bill No. 103, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Joseph Garibaldi Italian Club."

Senate bill No. 125, entitled

"An act to authorize the constable in the first district in Mispillion hundred, Kent County, to appoint a deputy."

Senate bill No. 124, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Minqua Iron and Supply Company.'"

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

House bill No. 141, entitled

"An act equalizing the election districts of Christiana hundred, New Castle County, Delaware."

House bill No. 123, entitled

"An act to divorce William J. Hickman and Mary M. Hickman from the bonds of matrimony."

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

Senate bill No. 104, entitled

"An act to divorce Florence L. Boss from Albert L. Boss."

Senate bill No. 105, entitled

"An act to divorce Mary L. Prettyman from her husband, William F. Prettyman."

Also, that the Senate had concurred in House amendment to Senate bill No. 42, entitled

"An act granting to J. Thomas Lowe the title of the State to a certain tract of salt marsh."

Mr. Doherty, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed

the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House bill, No. 173, entitled

"An act entitled 'An act to amend an act amendatory of the charter of the City of Wilmington,'"

And returned the same to the House.

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

Senate bill No. 69, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Delaware Oil and Fertilizer Company."

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (S. B. No. 52) entitled

"An act to divorce George T. Hannahs and Mary E. Hannahs,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. L. S. Hopkins, the bill (S. B. No. 97) entitled

"An act to change the name of Edward T. Merritt to that of Edward T. O'Neal, and for other purposes,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Eliason, the bill (H. B. No. 166) entitled

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

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

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

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (S. B. No. 79) entitled

"An act relating to taxation in certain parts of the City of Wilmington,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

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

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

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

Same Day—3 o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

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

Senate bill No. 69, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Delaware Oil and Fertilizer Company.”

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

Senate bill No. 121, entitled

“An act to incorporate the trustees of the Union American Methodist Episcopal Church.”

And presented the same to the House.

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

Senate bill No. 50, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Rehoboth Heat, Light and Power Company.”

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

House bill No. 150, entitled

“An act supplemental to an act entitled ‘An act for the better

regulation of the streets of Delaware City, and for other purposes.' ”

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 202, entitled

“A further supplement to an act entitled ‘An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Delaware, and for other purposes,’ ” Chapter 36, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Whitney, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 159, entitled

“An act making the Lancaster pike and the Newport intersection a county road,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Elections, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 172, entitled

“An act in relation to the appointment and election of inspectors of elections in and for the State of Delaware, exclusive of the City of Wilmington,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (H. B. No. 172) entitled

“An act in relation to the appointment and election of inspectors of election in and for the State of Delaware, exclusive of the City of Wilmington,”

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. Donaldson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 212) entitled

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

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

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (H. B. No. 159) entitled

"An act making the Lancaster pike and the Newport intersection a county road,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (H. B. No. 114) entitled

“An act to abolish days of grace on promisory notes, drafts, &c., &c., and to determine when such obligations maturing on Sunday or on legal holidays, or on half holidays, shall be due,”

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?”

On motion of Mr. Short, the vote on the bill was postponed for one week.

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

“An act to amend Section 16, Chapter 66, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,”

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the vote on the bill was postponed until Tuesday, 11 o'clock, A. M.

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

On motion of Mr. Donaldson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 213) entitled

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

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

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 214) entitled

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

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

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

Senate bill No. 107, entitled

“An act for the relief of Lewis E. Eliason.”

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

“An act to lay out a public road in North West Fork hundred.”

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

“An act divorcing John Taylor and Anna, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony.”

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

“An act to amend Section 3, Chapter 586, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware.”

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

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

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Wilson offered an amendment to the bill, pending the discussion of which the House adjourned until 10 o'clock, A. M., Tuesday.

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

Tuesday, March 23, 1897—10 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

Journal read and approved.

Standing Committee reports, none.

Order of the day.

On motion of Mr. Speaker, House bill No. 167, entitled

“An act to amend Section 16, Chapter 66, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,”

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Speaker offered an amendment to the bill,

Which, on his motion, was read as follows:

“To amend same by striking out the word “May,” in the seventh line of Section 1 and insert in lieu thereof the word “April.”

Mr. Short offered a substitute for the amendment,

Which, on his motion, was read as follows:

"Substitute for amendment that school elections shall be the first Saturday of June in each year."

Mr. Donaldson moved to refer the bill and amendments back to the committee for further consideration,

On which question the yeas and nays were called for.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Donaldson, Dukes, Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, Johnson, McCullough, Thompson, Whitney, Mr. Speaker—10.

Nays—Messrs. Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, McCoy, Taylor—5.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the motion to refer the bill back to the committee,

Prevailed.

Mr. Doherty, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the House amendments to Senate bill No. 61, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Smyrna Steamboat Company,"

And returned the same to the House.

Standing Committee reports.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 193, entitled

"An act to repeal Chapter 658, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 191, entitled

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

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 152, entitled

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

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 58, entitled

"An act to divorce Mary A. Morgan from her husband, Robert Morgan,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 124, entitled

"An act to divorce William W. Jones from his wife, Jennie Jones,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 178, entitled

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

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

On motion of Mr. Donaldson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 215) entitled

"An act to change the time for holding school election in School District No. 51, New Castle County,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 216) entitled

"An act for the protection of game,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Dempsey,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 217) entitled

"An act in relation to collection of taxes for New Castle County,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 218) entitled

"An act entitled 'An act to prevent dogs from running at large certain months of the year, in Sussex County,'"

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

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

Same Day—3 o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

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

“An act to appoint three commissioners to lay out a public road in Baltimore hundred, Sussex County.”

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

“An act to divorce Ezmy K. Windsor from her husband, William H. Windsor.”

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

“An act to lay out a public road in North West Fork hundred.”

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 219) entitled

"An act entitled 'An act to legalize and provide for the support and maintenance of the Delaware Colored Teachers' Institute,'"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Dukes,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 220) entitled

"An act transferring the farm of William S. Martin from School District No. 132, in Sussex County to School District No. 18, in Sussex County,"

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

Mr. Dempsey offered a resolution,

Which, on his motion, was read as follows:

Resolved, That the Hon. James G. Maguire be accorded the privilege of speaking on the floor of this House, at 1 o'clock, P. M., of Friday, the 26th instant, upon the subject of taxation.

And, on his further motion

The resolution was

Adopted.

Mr. Doherty, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following Senate bill, No. 39, entitled

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

And presented the same to the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 222) entitled

"An act to divorce George W. Phillips from his wife, Roberta M. Phillips,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Wilson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 223) entitled

"An act in relation to the revision of certain provisions in the election laws of this State,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 221) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Sussex County Game Protective Association,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Adams,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 224) entitled

"An act to incorporate John M. Clayton Council, No. 24, Junior Order United American Mechanics,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 225) entitled

“An act to divorce Elizabeth P. Rulon from William H. Rulon,”

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

Mr. Doherty, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following Senate bill, No. 127, entitled

“An act for the better efficiency of the Board of Health, of the City of Wilmington, Delaware,”

And presented the same to the House.

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 226) entitled

“An act to authorize the Governor to appoint a collector of taxes for the West Election District of Little Creek hundred, Sussex County, and to appoint an assessor for the East Election District of said hundred and county,”

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

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 228) entitled

"An act to divorce Wesley T. Wright from his wife, Lizzie Wright,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Johnson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 227) entitled

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

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

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (S. B. No. 124) entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Minqua Iron and Supply Company,'"

Was read a first time.

Mr. Smith offered a joint resolution entitled

"Joint resolution to authorize the State Treasurer to pay for the telephone now used in the State House,"

Which, on his motion, was read,

And, on his further motion was

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (S. B. No. 39) entitled

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

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Adams, the bill (S. B. No. 125) entitled

“An act to authorize the constable in the First district in Mississippi hundred, Kent County, to appoint a deputy,”

Was read a first time.

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill H. B. No. 229) entitled

“An act divorcing John Taylor and Anna, his wife,”

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

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (H. B. No. 210) entitled

“An act to incorporate Union Castle, No. 17, Knights of the Golden Eagle, Smyrna, Delaware,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill (H. B. No. 211) entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 605, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act to incorporate School District, No. 119, in Kent County, and for other purposes,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Speaker, the bill (H. B. No. 226) entitled

"An act to authorize the Governor to appoint a collector of taxes for the West Election District of Little Creek hundred, Sussex County, and to appoint an assessor for the East Election District of said hundred and county,"

Was read a first time.

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

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

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (H. B. No. 106) entitled

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

Was taken up for consideration;

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

"An act to repeal an act in relation to the election of Road Commissioners in New Castle County," being Chapter 31, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware.

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

"An act to divorce Edward P. Harnish from his wife, Sallie V. Harnish."

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

"An act to amend Chapter 628, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware."

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

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

Mr. Hazell offered the following notice:

Which, on his motion, was read:

The members of this Assembly are requested to meet in the legislator parlor at 10.30 A. M. to-morrow, the 24th inst., as a matter of importance will be brought before us. Every member is earnestly requested to be present.

B. A. HAZELL,
J. FRANK ELIASON,
ROBERT McCULLOUGH,
C. G. DEMPSEY,
DAVID K. DONALDSON,
EMORY B. RIGGIN.

P. S.—This meeting for members exclusively.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, the bill (H. B. No. 160) entitled
 "An act to incorporate the Comegys Free Library Association,
 of the State of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

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

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Wednesday, March 24, 1897—10 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

Journal read and approved.

Standing Committee reports.

Mr. Whitney, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 199, entitled

“An act in relation to a public road in Kenton hundred,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Whitney, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 198, entitled

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

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Elections, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 226, entitled

"An act to authorize the Governor to appoint a collector of taxes for the West Election District of Little Creek hundred, Sussex County, and to appoint an assessor for the East Election District of said hundred and county,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 209, entitled

"An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 140, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 205, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 185, Volume 20, of the Laws of Delaware." Passed at Dover, May 9, 1895,

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

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 196, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Eastern Inspectors' Association,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 192, entitled

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

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 53, entitled

"An act to divorce Christian Bonach and Margaretha Bonach from the bonds of matrimony,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 127, entitled

"An act to divide School District No. 63, New Castle County and reunite the same, and for other purposes,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 151, entitled

"An act to amend Section 9, Chapter 110, Volume 19 of the Laws of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

On motion of Mr. Short,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 235) entitled

"An act to divorce Ezmy K. Windsor from her husband, William H. Windsor,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Donaldson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 230) entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 628, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 231) entitled

"An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act in relation to the election of Road Commissioners in New Castle County,' " being Chapter 31, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware,

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

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

House bill No. 139 entitled

"An act to incorporate the Isaacs Branch Ditch Company."

House bill No. 108, entitled

"An act to divorce Mary D. Smith and Durbin Smith, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony."

House bill No. 61, entitled

"An act in relation to District No. 96, Kent County."

House bill No. 158, entitled

"An act to repeal an act in reference to the Water Witch Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 5, of Wilmington, Del., as passed April 12, 1893, being Chapter 718, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, and to repeal the acts by said act restored, revived and renewed, and to reincorporate the said company under the name of the Water Witch Fire Company, No. 5, of Wilmington, Delaware,"

And returned the same to the House.

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

Senate bill No. 96, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Union Park Amusement Company,"

And presented the same to the House.

Also presented for the signature of the Speaker of the House, the following duly and correctly enrolled Senate bills, the same having been signed by the Speaker of the Senate:

Senate bill No. 68, entitled

"An act to authorize the commissioners of School District No. 132, in Kent County, to borrow money to pay for a new school house."

Senate bill No. 87, entitled

"An act to further amend Chapter 206, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware."

Senate bill No. 59, entitled

"An act in relation to united School Districts Nos. 2, 100, 103 and 104, in Sussex County."

Senate bill No. 67, entitled

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

Senate bill No. 55, entitled

"An act to establish the voting place in the Northern Election District of Pencader hundred, New Castle County."

Also, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the House, the following duly and correctly enrolled Senate joint resolutions, the same having been signed by the Speaker of the Senate:

Senate joint resolution entitled

"Joint resolution in relation to paying the Delaware Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children the sum of twelve hundred dollars.

Senate joint resolution entitled

"Joint resolution establishing the dividing line between Kent and Sussex Counties."

And presented the same to the House.

Also, the following duly and correctly enrolled House bills, the same having been signed by the Speakers of both Houses:

House bill No. 137, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 53, Volume 12, Laws of Delaware, as printed in the Revised Code, at pages 387 and 388."

House bill No. 20, entitled

"An act to repeal an act transferring farms of Stephen E. Evans, Cyrus Holt, Peter Townsend and Mary W. Barnett from School District No. 123 to School District No. 181, in Sussex County."

House bill No. 81, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act making Saturdays throughout the year, from and after the first day of June in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five, half holidays in the City of Wilmington for banking and trust company purposes.'"

House bill No. 87, entitled

"An act divorcing Lena M. Cole from her husband, George F. Cole."

House bill No. 36, entitled

"An act to divorce Joseph S. Durham from his wife, Mary J. Durham."

Also, the following duly and correctly enrolled House joint resolutions, the same having been signed by the Speakers of both Houses:

House joint resolution entitled

"House joint resolution appointing directors on the part of the State for the Farmers' Bank at Georgetown."

House joint resolution entitled

"House joint resolution in regard to the Robbins Hose Company, No. 1, of Dover, Delaware,"

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. McCullough offered a resolution,

Which, on his motion, was read as follows:

"Resolved, That 500 copies of the bill relating to primary elections (Senate bill No. 39) be printed as now amended, and that the act governing primary elections, as it would be if Senate bill No. 39 is passed, be likewise printed, showing changes in *italics*."

And, on his further motion, was

Adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 232) entitled

"An act to amend an act authorizing the Recorder of Deeds in and for Sussex County to make new indices in his office,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Dempsey,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 233) entitled

"An act to divorce John H. Hurley from his wife, Amelia Hurley,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Dukes,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 234) entitled

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

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

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Accounts, to whom had been referred the House joint resolution entitled

"Joint resolution empowering the Insurance Commissioner of this State to have certain printing done and to be compensated for the same,"

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Donaldson asked and obtained leave to withdraw House bill No. 180, entitled

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

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

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 236) entitled

"An act to divorce Edward P. Harnish from his wife, Sallie V. Harnish,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Wilson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 237) entitled

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

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

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (S. B. No. 127) entitled

"An act for the better efficiency of the Board of Health of the City of Wilmington, Del.,"

Was read a first time.

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

On motion of Mr. Smith,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 238) entitled

"An act appointing commissioners to straighten and widen

the public road leading from the Red Mills to the Five Points, in Lewes and Rehoboth hundreds,"

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill (H. B. No. 217) entitled

"An act in relation to the collection of taxes for New Castle County,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill (H. B. No. 227) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (H. B. No. 225) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (H. B. No. 222) entitled

"An act to divorce George W. Phillips from Roberta M. Phillips,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill (H. B. No. 224) entitled

"An act to incorporate John M. Clayton Council, No. 24, Junior Order United American Mechanics,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (S. B. No. 124) entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Minqua Iron and Supply Company,' "

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

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

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Adams, the bill (S. B. No. 125) entitled

“An act to authorize the constable in the First district in Missillion hundred, Kent County, to appoint a deputy,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion, was

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (H. B. No. 213) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (H. B. No. 215) entitled

“An act to change the time for holding school elections in School District No. 51, New Castle 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. J. H. Hopkins, the bill (H. B. No. 229, entitled

"An act to divorce John Taylor and Anna, his wife,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (S. B. No. 39) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (H. B. No. 201) entitled

"An act for the protection of employees of corporations,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

On motion of Mr. Dukes, the bill (H. B. No. 152) entitled

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

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Whitney, the bill (S. B. No. 53) entitled

"An act to divorce Christian Bonach and Margaretha Bonach from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (H. B. No. 194) entitled

"An act authorizing School District No. 52, in Sussex County to borrow money for building purposes,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Speaker, the bill (H. B. No. 226) entitled

"An act to authorize the Governor to appoint a collector of taxes for the West Election District of Little Creek hundred, Sussex County, &c.,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

"An act to authorize the Clerk of the Orphans' Court of Sussex County to make a copy of certain indices."

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

"An act to repeal Section 3 of Chapter 146, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware."

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

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

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

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

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

"An act to divide New Castle hundred into four election districts."

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

"An act authorizing the Insurance Commissioner to examine

and publish the standing of insurance companies doing business in this State."

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

"An act to incorporate the town of Roseville, in New Castle County."

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

"An act to amend Section 25, Chapter 8 of the Revised Code of the State of Delaware."

On motion of Mr. Thompson, the bill (H. B. No. 124) entitled

"An act to divorce William W. Jones from his wife, Jennie Jones,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Same Day—3 o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (H. B. No. 221) entitled

“An act to incorporate the Sussex County Game Protective Association,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (H. B. No. 220) entitled

“An act transferring the farm of William S. Martin from School District No. 132, in Sussex County, to School District No. 18, in Sussex County,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 122, entitled

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

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

On motion of Mr. Thompson, the bill (H. B. No. 122) entitled

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

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Senate bill No. 52, entitled

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

Senate bill No. 97, entitled

"An act to change the name of Edward T. Merritt to that of Edward T. O'Neal, and for other purposes."

Senate bill No. 19, entitled

"An act to divorce Martha P. Argo from her husband, Robert H. Argo."

Senate bill No. 128, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Society of Colonial Wars, of the State of Delaware."

Senate bill No. 41, entitled

'An act to divorce Mabel O. Till from her husband, William J. Till."

Senate bill No. 35, entitled

"An act to divorce Emma Hooten from her husband, John L. Hooten."

Senate bill No. 79, entitled

"An act relating to taxation in certain parts of the City of Wilmington."

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

House bill No. 147, entitled

"An act for the relief of School District No. 125, in Kent County."

House bill No. 82, entitled

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

House bill No. 91, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to establish a Board of Education for the town of Felton.'" Passed at Dover, February 25, 1885.

House bill No. 117, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Guarantee Trust, Title and Insurance Company,"

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (H. B. No. 128) entitled

"A supplement to Chapter 778 of Volume 19, of the Laws of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Cheairs, Hazell, Smith, Wilson—4.

Nays—Messrs. Adams, Davis, Donaldson, Dukes, L. S. Hopkins, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Short, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Mr. Speaker—13.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill not having received the required majority,

Was declared Lost.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (H. B. No. 216) entitled

"An act for the protection of game,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, the bill (H. B. No. 202) entitled

"A further supplement to an act entitled 'An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Delaware, and for other purposes,'" Chapter 36, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware,

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?"

On motion of Mr. Donaldson, the vote on this bill was postponed until Friday at 11 o'clock, A. M.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (H. B. No. 178) entitled

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

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Dempsey, Dukes, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCullough, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—15.

Nays—Mr. Donaldson—1.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Speaker, the bill (H. B. No. 218) entitled

"An act entitled 'An act to prevent dogs running at large certain months of the year in Sussex County,'"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (H. B. No. 192) entitled

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

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. L. S. Hopkins, the bill (H. B. No. 209) entitled

"An act to amend Section 1, Chapter 140, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,
And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Donaldson, the bill (H. B. No. 22) entitled
"An act in relation to the terms of office of certain officials in
the City of Wilmington,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the vote on this bill was postponed until Thursday, at 12 o'clock, noon.

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

Thursday, March 25, 1897—10 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Whitney, on behalf of the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 93, entitled

“An act to vacate a portion of a certain street in the City of Wilmington,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill No. 79, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Mortgages Protective Title Guarantee Company.”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 210, entitled

“An act to incorporate Union Castle No. 17, Knights of the Golden Eagle, Smyrna, Delaware,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 206, entitled

“An act to incorporate the New Castle News Publishing Company,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

On motion of Mr. Dempsey,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 239) entitled

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

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

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 240) entitled

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

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

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (H. B. No. 230) entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 628, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (H. B. No. 232) entitled

“An act to amend an act authorizing the Recorder of Deeds in and for Sussex County, to make new indices in his office,”

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. Cheairs, the bill (S. B. No. 127) entitled

“An act for the better efficiency of the Board of Health of the City of Wilmington, Del.,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Donaldson, the bill (H. B. No. 231) entitled

“An act to repeal an act entitled ‘An act in relation to the election of road commissioners in New Castle County, being Chapter 31, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware,’ ”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands.

On motion of Mr. Adams, the bill (H. B. No. 236) entitled

“An act to divorce Edward P. Harnish from his wife, Sallie V. Harnish,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Thompson, the bill (H. B. No. 234) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands.

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

Senate bill No. 42, entitled

"An act granting to Ada Lowe, wife of J. Thomas Lowe, the title of the State to a certain piece of salt marsh, here mentioned."

Senate bill No. 61, entitled

"An act to incorporate Brady Steamboat Company, of Smyrna."

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

Senate bill No. 29, entitled

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

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

House bill No. 84, entitled

“An act authorizing the Clerk of the Orphans’ Court of New Castle County to make a certain index of the recognizances in his office.”

House bill No. 195, entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 223, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware.”

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Thompson, the bill (H. B. No. 238) entitled

“An act appointing commissioners to straighten and widen the public road leading from the Red Mill to the Five Points, in Lewes and Rehoboth hundreds,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, the bill (H. B. No. 119) entitled

“An act supplementary to the act providing for the purity and secrecy of the ballot,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

Order of the day.

House bill No. 22, entitled

"An act in relation to the terms of office of certain officials in the city of Wilmington,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Dempsey moved to postpone further consideration of the bill until 3 o'clock, P. M., Monday next,

Which motion Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (H. B. No. 210) entitled

"An act to incorporate Union Castle No. 17, Knight of the Golden Eagle, Smyrna, Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Hazell, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

“An act to divorce Henry C. Walls from his wife, Patience E. Walls.”

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

“An act in relation to game.”

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill (S. B. No. 58) entitled

“An act to divorce Mary A. Morgan from her husband, Robert Morgan,”

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

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

Same Day—3 o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hazell moved that the joint resolution entitled

“Joint resolution empowering the Insurance Commissioner of this State to have certain printing done and to be compensated for the same,”

Be referred back to the Committee on Accounts for further consideration.

Which motion

Prevailed.

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

Joint resolution, entitled

“Joint resolution in relation to the State College for Colored Students.”

Also, Senate bill No. 128, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Society of Colonial Wars, of the State of Delaware.”

House bill No. 141, entitled

“An act to equalize the election districts of Christiana hundred, New Castle County, Delaware.”

House bill No. 108, entitled

“An act to divorce Mary D. Smith and Durbin Smith, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony.”

House bill No. 126, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Realty Company, of Georgetown."

House bill No. 90, entitled

"An act authorizing a special tax to provide a special fund for the purchase of oyster shells for the county roads of Seaford hundred."

House bill No. 58, entitled

"An act to amend an act incorporating the Citizens' Building and Loan Association of New Castle, Delaware." Passed at Dover, March 22, 1889.

Joint resolution entitled

"Joint resolution in relation to the State Insane Hospital at Farnhurst."

House bill No. 173, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act amendatory of the charter of the City of Wilmington.'"

House bill No. 123, entitled

"An act to divorce William J. Hickman from his wife, Mary M. Hickman, from the bonds of matrimony."

House bill No. 150, entitled

"An additional supplement to an act entitled 'An act for the better regulation of the streets of Delaware City, and for other purposes.'" Passed at Dover, March 5, 1851.

House bill No. 134, entitled

"An act relating to public watering troughs for stock in White Clay Creek hundred."

Senate bill No. 8, entitled

"An act to authorize the Commissioners of School District No. 132, in Kent County, to borrow money to pay for a new school house."

Senate bill No. 87, entitled

"An act to further amend Chapter 206, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware."

Senate bill No. 59, entitled

"An act in relation to united School Districts Nos. 2, 100, 103 and 104, in Sussex County."

House bill No. 102, entitled

"An act to lay out a new road in Gumboro hundred, Sussex County."

Senate bill No. 79, entitled

"An act relating to taxation in certain parts of the City of Wilmington."

Senate bill No. 35, entitled

"An act to divorce Emma Hooten from her husband, John L. Hooten."

Senate bill No. 41, entitled

"An act to divorce Mabel O. Till from her husband, William J. Till."

Senate bill No. 19, entitled

"An act to divorce Martha P. Argo from her husband, Robert H. Argo."

Senate bill No. 97, entitled

"An act to change the name of Edward T. Merritt to that of Edward T. O'Neal, and for other purposes."

Senate bill No. 52, entitled

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

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the report of ex-Governor Watson in regard to direct tax fund, was read,

And, on his further motion, was

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (S. B. No. 96) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Union Park Amusement Company,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill (S. B. No. 28) entitled

"An act to divorce Mary J. Blackburn from her husband, Walter Blackburn,"

Was read a first time.

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 241) entitled

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

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

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill (S. B. No. 103) entitled
 "An act to incorporate the Joseph Garibaldi Italian Club,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (S. B. No. 121) entitled
 "An act to incorporate the trustees of the Union American
 Methodist Episcopal Church,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill (S. B. No. 101) entitled
 "An act to amend Chapter 123, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. L. S. Hopkins, the bill (S. B. No. 106) entitled

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

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. McCoy, the bill (S. B. No. 2) entitled

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

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill (S. B. No. 104) entitled

"An act to divorce Florence T. Boss and Albert L. Boss,
 her husband,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (S. B. No. 98) entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 145, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act in relation to mechanics’ liens,’ ”

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill (S. B. No. 105) entitled

“An act to divorce Mary L. Prettyman from her husband, William F. Prettyman,”

Was read a first time.

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

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

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

“An act to repeal an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate Lebanon public schools.’ ”

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

“An act to further amend Section 11 of Chapter 229, Volume 19 of the Laws of Delaware.”

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

“An act to authorize and empower James A. Martin to alter

and straighten a portion of the road leading from Martin's Corner to Frederica in Milford hundred, Kent County."

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

Friday, March 26, 1897—10 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Speaker presented a communication,

Which, on his motion, was read as follows:

Wilmington, Del., March 25, 1897.

To the Speaker and members of the House of Representatives, Dover, Delaware:

Gentlemen: The Board of Trade of Wilmington appointed Alvin R. Morrison, E. M. Hoopes, Jesse K. Baylis, A. G. McCausland, C. W. Edwards, J. M. Whitford and W. Scott Vernon, a committee to purchase a silver service, and present the same to the gunboat "Wilmington" as a token of appreciation of the honor conferred upon our city, in naming the ship for us.

It is to be hoped that the ship will be sent to our city to receive the presentation.

The committee have requested me to ask you to appoint a

committee of the Legislature to join us in arranging for the ceremony.

Respectfully,

ALVIN R. MORRISON,

Chairman.

Mr. Hazell moved that the communication be accepted and committee of three be appointed to make necessary arrangements,

Which motion

Prevailed.

The Speaker named as committee, Messrs, Hazell, Donaldson and Smith.

Standing Committee reports.

Mr. Cheairs, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the Senate bill No. 127, entitled

“An act for the better efficiency of the Board of Health of the City of Wilmington, Delaware,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 232, entitled

“An act to amend an act authorizing the Recorder of Deeds in and for Sussex County to make new indices in his office,”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill No. 204, entitled

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate the

Beaver Dam Ditch Company in Baltimore hundred, Sussex County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 207, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Peninsula Press Company of Wilmington,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 187, entitled

"An act to divorce Henry F. Stroud from his wife, Louela Stroud, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. McCullough, on behalf of the Committee on Divorces, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 188, entitled

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

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred the House bill No. 220, entitled

"An act transferring the farm of William S. Martin from School District No. 132, in Sussex County to School District No. 18, in Sussex County,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Dempsey, on behalf of the Committee on Enrolled

Bills, reported as duly and correctly enrolled and ready for the signature of the Speaker, the following House bills:

House bill No. 116, entitled

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

Senate bill No. 74, entitled

“An act authorizing the appointment of one additional constable in Kent County.”

House bill No. 95, entitled

“An act to divorce James R. Cannon from Sarah Cannon.”

House bill No. 72, entitled

“An act to divorce Jennie Rickaby from her husband, Robert Rickaby.”

House bill No. 115, entitled

“An act in relation to a public road adjoining the town of Clayton.”

Senate bill No. 50, entitled

“An act to incorporate the Rehoboth Heat, Light and Power Company.”

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

Senate bill No. 55, entitled

“An act to establish the voting place in the Northern Election District of Pencader hundred, New Castle County, Delaware.”

Senate joint resolution No. 19, entitled

“Joint resolution in relation to paying the Delaware Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, the sum of twelve hundred dollars.”

Senate bill No. 67, entitled

“An act to lay out a public road in Mispillion hundred, in Kent County.”

Senate joint resolution No. 22, entitled

“Joint resolution establishing the dividing line between Kent and Sussex Counties.”

House bill No. 118, entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 273, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware.”

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House bill No. 202, entitled

“A further supplement to an act entitled ‘An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Delaware, and for other purposes.’” Chapter 36, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware,

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Short moved to postpone further consideration of the bill until Monday next,

Which motion Prevailed.

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

On motion of Mr. Short,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 242) entitled

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

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

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

On motion of Mr. Thompson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 243) entitled

"An act to repeal Section 3 of Chapter 146, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Smith,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 244) entitled

"An act in relation to the sale of cider within the hundreds of Seaford and North West Fork, Sussex County,"

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

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 245) entitled

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

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

Mr. L. S. Hopkins, in pursuance of previous notice, asked, and

On motion of Mr. Adams,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 246) entitled

"An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to incorporate Lebanon public schools,'"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Dempsey,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (House bill No. 247) entitled

"An act to divorce Henry C. Walls from his wife, Patience E. Walls,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Dukes,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 248) entitled

"An act in relation to game,"

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

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

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act creating an additional Justice of the Peace, Notary Public and constable in and

for Kenton hundred, Kent County,' " being Chapter 178, Volume 15, Laws of Delaware.

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

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

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

"An act to amend the Revised Code."

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

"An act to amend Chapter 653, Volume 19 of the Laws of Delaware."

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

"An act in relation to actions for publications of libels."

On motion of Mr. L. S. Hopkins, the bill (S. B. No. 106) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (H. B. No. 241) entitled

"An act authorizing the Insurance Commissioner to examine

and publish the standing of insurance companies doing business in this State,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill (H. B. No. 28) entitled

"An act to divorce Mary J. Blackburn from her husband, Walter Blackburn,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (S. B. No. 96) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Union Park Amusement Company,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (H. B. No. 228) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. McCoy, the bill (S. B. No. 2) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill (S. B. No. 104) entitled

"An act to divorce Florence T. Boss from Albert L. Boss,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (H. B. No. 223) entitled

"An act in relation to the revision of certain provisions in the election laws of this State,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (H. B. No. 233) entitled

"An act to divorce John H. Hurley from his wife, Amelia Hurley,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (S. B. No. 98) entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 145, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act in relation to mechanics’ liens.’”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Hazell, the bill (S. B. No. 121) entitled

“An act to incorporate the trustees of the Union American Methodist Episcopal Church,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

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

Senate bill No. 38, entitled

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

Senate bill No. 113, entitled

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate the owners and possessors of a certain tract of meadow marsh in the borough of Wilmington.’”

Mr. Doherty, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed

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

House bill No. 163, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 144, Volume 19 of the Laws of Delaware."

House bill No. 80, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Centreville Hall Company."

House bill No. 169, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Pocomoke Tribe, No. 29, Improved Order of Red Men."

House bill No. 155, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Wilmington Board of Trade."

Also that the Senate had passed, with amendment, House bill No. 21, entitled

"An act to incorporate McDaniel Cycle Company."

House bill No. 157, entitled

"An act to amend the charter of Washington Steam Fire Engine and Hook and Ladder Company, No. 7, of Wilmington, Del."

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill (S. B. No. 103) entitled

"An act to incorporate the Joseph Garibaldi Italian Club,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill (S. B. No. 101) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. McCoy, the bill (H. B. No. 240) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. J. H. Hopkins, the bill (H. B. No. 237) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill (S. B. No. 76) entitled

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

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (H. B. No. 239) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Speaker, the bill (H. B. No. 219) entitled

“An act entitled ‘An act to legalize and provide for the support and maintenance of the Delaware Colored Teachers’ Institute,’ ”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (S. B. No. 127) entitled

“An act for the better efficiency of the Board of Health of the City of Wilmington, Delaware,”

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Dukes,

Eliason, Hazell, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Whitney, the bill (S. B. No. 93) entitled

“An act to vacate a portion of a certain street in the City of Wilmington,”

Was taken up for consideration.

On motion the bill was laid over until 11 o'clock, A. M., Tuesday.

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

Same Day—3 o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

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

Monday, March 29, 1897—10 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

Journal read and approved.

Standing Committee reports.

The Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred the report of William T. Watson, Governor of Delaware, beg leave to report that they have found the vouchers to correspond correctly with his report, and that the balance has been paid over to his successor in office, the Hon. Ebe W. Tunnell, Governor.

Signed,

THOMAS JOHNSON,
B. A. HAZELL,
C. G. DEMPSEY.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 124, entitled

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate the Minqua Iron and Supply Company,’ ”

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 224, entitled

"An act to incorporate John M. Clayton Council, No. 24, Junior Order United American Mechanics,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 227, entitled

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

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

On motion of Mr. Donaldson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 249) entitled

"An act in relation to actions for publications of libels,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. Adams,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 250) entitled

"An act to divide Kenton hundred into two election districts,"

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

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 251) entitled

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

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

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

Senate bill No. 61, entitled

"An act to incorporate Brady Steamboat Company of Smyrna."

Senate bill No. 42, entitled

"An act granting to Ada Lowe, wife of J. Thomas Lowe the title of the State to a certain tract of salt marsh, here mentioned."

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

"An act to incorporate Citizens' Insurance and Trust Company,"

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill (S. B. No. 29) entitled

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

Was read a first time.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 98, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 145, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled 'An act in relation to mechanics' liens,'"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the Senate bill, No. 101, entitled

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

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Hazell, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the House bill, No. 230, entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 628, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

On motion of Mr. Johnson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 252) entitled

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

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

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

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 253) entitled

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

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

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

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

On motion of Mr. Johnson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 254) entitled

"An act to further amend Section 11 of Chapter 229, Volume 19 of the Laws of Delaware,"

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

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

House bill No. 160, entitled

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

House bill No. 124, entitled

"An act to divorce William W. Jones from his wife, Jennie Jones."

House bill No. 178, entitled

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

House bill No. 122, entitled

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

House bill No. 192, entitled

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

House bill No. 152, entitled

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

And returned the same to the House.

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

Senate bill No. 143, entitled

"An act for the relief of Kate Eliason."

Also, Senate substitute for Senate bill No. 80, entitled

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

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

Senate bill No. 123, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Laurel Publishing Company."

Senate bill No. 102, entitled

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

Senate bill No. 95, entitled

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

Senate bill No. 112, entitled

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

On motion of Mr. Short, the bill (H. B. No. 247) entitled

"An act to divorce Henry C. Walls from his wife, Patience E. Walls,"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill (S. B. No. 76) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. L. S. Hopkins, the bill (H. B. No. 245) entitled

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

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Vacant Lands.

On motion of Mr. L. S. Hopkins, the bill (H. B. No. 246) entitled

"An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to incorporate Lebanon public schools,'"

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (H. B. No. 220) entitled

"An act transferring the farm of William S. Martin from School District No. 132 to School District No. 18, 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 question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill (S. B. No. 46) entitled

"An act for the renewal of the charter of the Trump Bros. Machine Company." Passed at Dover, February 11, 1879,

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

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

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. McCoy, the bill (H. B. No. 206) entitled

"An act to incorporate the New Castle Publishing Company,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Hazell,

J. H. Hopkins, L. S. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—17.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (H. B. No. 191) entitled

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

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (H. B. No. 232) entitled

“An act to amend an act authorizing the Recorder of Deeds in and for Sussex County to make new indices in his office,”

Was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Hazell the bill was referred back to the committee for further consideration.

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the bill (H. B. No. 187) entitled

"An act to divorce Henry F. Stroud from his wife, Louela Stroud, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Johnson the bill was laid over until Tuesday for further consideration.

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

"An act to divorce William S. Wiley and Kate L. Wiley from the holy bonds of matrimony."

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

"An act to amend Chapter 34 of the Revised Code of the State of Delaware."

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

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

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

"An act in relation to foreign corporations."

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

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

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

"An act for the better protection of the holders of life insurance policies in this State."

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

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

On motion of Mr. Donaldson, the Senate amendment to House bill No. 84, entitled

"An act authorizing the Clerk of the Orphans' Court of New Castle County to make a certain index of the recognizances in his office,"

Was read as follows:

Senate amendment.

"Strike out the word and figure, 'Section 1,' in the first line of the enacting clause. Insert the word and figure 'Section 1,' after the word met,' in the second line."

In the Senate, March 29, 1897.

Extract from Journal.

For concurrence.

SIMON P. DOHERTY,

Clerk of Senate.

And further on Mr. Donaldson's motion,

The amendment was Concurred in.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

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

Same Day—3 o'clock, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Order of the day.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, the bill (H. B. No. 202) entitled

“A further supplement to an act entitled ‘An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Delaware, and for other purposes.’” Chapter 36, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware,

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Order of the day.

On motion of Mr. Speaker, House bill No. 22, entitled

“An act in relation to the terms of office of certain officials in the City of Wilmington,”

Was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill was returned to the calendar, to be called up when there is a fuller attendance of members.

Mr. Doherty, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, returned

the following duly and correctly enrolled House bills, the same having been signed by the Speakers of both Houses:

House bill No. 126, entitled:

“An act to incorporate the Realty Company of Georgetown.”

House bill No. 102, entitled:

“An act to lay out a new road in Gumboro hundred, Sussex County.”

House bill No. 58, entitled:

“An act to amend an act incorporating the Citizens’ Building and Loan Association of New Castle, Delaware.”

House bill No. 110, entitled:

“An act to divorce Seymour C. Downs from his wife, Mary E. Downs.”

House bill No. 123, entitled:

“An act to divorce William J. Hickman from his wife, Mary M. Hickman, from the bonds of matrimony.”

House bill No. 141, entitled:

“An act to equalize the election districts of Christiana hundred, New Castle County.”

House bill No. 134, entitled:

“An act relating to public watering troughs for stock, in White Clay Creek hundred.”

House bill No. 108, entitled:

“An act to divorce Mary D. Smith and Durbin Smith, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony.”

House bill No. 173, entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act amendatory of the charter of the City of Wilmington.'"

House bill No. 90, entitled

"An act authorizing a special tax to provide a special fund for the purchase of oyster shells for the county roads of Seaford hundred."

House bill No. 150, entitled

"An additional supplement to an act entitled 'An act for the better regulation of the streets of Delaware City, and for other purposes.'"

Also, the following duly and correctly enrolled House joint resolutions, the same having been signed by the Speakers of both Houses:

House joint resolution entitled

"Joint resolution in relation to the State Insane Hospital at Farnhurst."

House joint resolution entitled

"Joint resolution in relation to the State College for Colored Students."

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

House bill No. 165, entitled

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

House bill No. 75, with amendments, entitled

"An act to incorporate the Central Market Company."

House bill No. 60, with Senate substitute and amendment

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

And returned the same to the House.

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

Senate bill No. 22, with amendment

"An act to divorce Ella Colgain from her husband, Robert Colgain."

Senate bill No. 90, with amendment

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

Senate bill No. 109, with amendment

"An act to divorce Grace Whitaker from her husband, William Whitaker."

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill (H. B. No. 227) entitled

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

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (H. B. No. 207) entitled

“An act to incorporate the Peninsula Press Company of Wilmington, Delaware,”

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, McCullough, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—16.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

House bill No. 166, entitled

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

And returned the same to the House.

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

Senate bill No. 118, entitled

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

Senate bill No. 116, entitled

"An act to divorce Sallie E. Redmond from her husband, W. Dennis Redmond."

On motion of Mr. Cheairs, the bill (H. B. No. 230) entitled

"An act to amend Chapter 628, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Thompson, the bill (H. B. No. 193) entitled

"An act to repeal Chapter 658, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

On motion of Mr. Smith, further consideration of the bill was postponed and the bill referred back to the committee.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill (S. B. No. 124) entitled

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Minqua Iron and Supply Company,'"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, J. H.

Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—14.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Martin, the bill (S. B. No. 113) entitled

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate the owners and possessors of certain tract of meadow marsh in the borough of Wilmington,’ ”

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Whitney, the bill (H. B. No. 244) entitled

“An act in relation to the sale of cider within the hundreds of Seaford and North West Fork, Sussex County,”

Was read a second time, by its title,

And, on his further motion was

Referred to the Committee on Temperance.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the bill (S. B. No. 98) entitled

“An act to amend Chapter 145, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled ‘An act in relation to mechanics’ liens,’ ”

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

The question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Davis, the bill (H. B. No. 224) entitled

"An act to incorporate John M. Clayton Council, No. 24, Junior Order of United American Mechanics,"

Was taken up for consideration,

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

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Cheairs, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, J. H. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCoy, Short, Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whitney, Wilson, Mr. Speaker—15.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Tuesday, March 30, 1897—10 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

Journal read and approved.

Order of the day.

Senate bill No. 93, entitled

“An act to vacate a portion of a certain street in the City of Wilmington,”

Was taken up for final passage.

Mr. Donaldson asked and obtained leave to withdraw his amendment.

Mr. Cheairs, moved that the bill lay over until afternoon,

On which motion the yeas and nays were called for.

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

Yeas—Messrs. Cheairs, Eliason, L. S. Hopkins, McCoy, Smith, Mr. Speaker—6.

Nays—Messrs. Adams, Davis, Dempsey, Donaldson, Dukes,

Johnson, Martin, McCullough, Short, Taylor, Whitney, Wilson—12.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was declared Lost.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill was put on its final passage.

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Davis, Dukes, Eliason, J. H. Hopkins, Johnson, Martin, McCullough, Short, Taylor, Whitney—11.

Nays—Messrs. Cheairs, Dempsey, Donaldson, L. S. Hopkins, McCoy, Smith, Mr. Speaker—7.

Before announcement of the vote Mr. Dempsey, who had voted yea on this bill, asked, and obtained leave to change his vote to nay.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was declared Lost.

Mr. Donaldson moved to reconsider the vote on the bill,

Which motion Prevailed.

And, on further motion of Mr. Donaldson, the bill was referred back to the committee for further investigation.

Order of the day.

House bill No. 114, entitled

"An act to abolish days of grace on promissory notes, drafts, &c., and to determine when such obligations maturing on Sunday, or on legal holidays, or on half holidays, shall become due,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Short moved that the bill be laid over until Wednesday,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Order of the day.

House bill No. 187, entitled

"An act to divorce Henry F. Stroud from his wife, Louela Stroud, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Dempsey, the bill was put on its final passage:

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

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

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

Nays—Mr. Donaldson—1.

The question was decided in the affirmative,