

Which motion was

Lost.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, presented the following message :

"That the Senate believing itself the best judge of its own actions return back to the House the resolution appointing in the same resolution the State Treasurer and Auditor of Accounts: And also that the Senate is unwilling to admit that the House is its constitutional adviser."

And he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 18, 1861, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Appleton moved,

That the resolution of this House providing for the appointment of Auditor of Accounts and State Treasurer,

Be taken up for consideration,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The said resolution,

Was

Laid on the table.

Mr. Churchman offered the following resolution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read :

Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the State of Delaware (by and with the concurrence of the Senate,) That William N. Hamilton be and is hereby appointed Auditor of Accounts.

Mr. Churchman moved,

That the resolution be adopted,

Upon which motion,

The House being divided,

Mr. Appleton called the yeas and nays,

Which being taken were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Cochran, Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Waples, Mr. Speaker—14.

Nays—Messrs. Broadaway, Clements, Davis, J. A. Moore, Virden, C. Williamson—6.

So the resolution was

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Robinson offered the following resolution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read :

Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the State of Delaware, (by and with the concurrence of the Senate,) That Samuel B. Hitch be and he is hereby appointed State Treasurer :

Mr. Robinson moved the adoption of said resolution,

Pending which motion,

Mr. J. A. Moore moved,

That said resolution be amended by striking out the name of Samuel B. Hitch, and inserting in lieu thereof John H. Bewley,

The question being upon the adoption of the amendment,

And the House being divided,

The yeas and nays were called thereon,

Which being taken were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Broadaway, Chandler, Clements, Cochran, Davis, J. A. Moore, Virden, C. Williamson—9.

Nays—Messrs. Appleton, Boyce, Calhoon, Churchman, Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Waples, Mr. Speaker—11.

So the amendment was

Lost.

Mr. J. A. Moore then moved,

That the further consideration of the resolution be postponed until Tuesday next,

And the House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered on said motion to postpone,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Broadaway, Calhoon, Clements, Cochran, Davis, J. A. Moore, Virden, C. Williamson—9.

Nays—Messrs. Appleton, Boyce, Chandler, Churchman, Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Waples, Mr. Speaker—11.

So the motion to postpone was

Lost.

The question recurring to the adoption of the original resolution,

And the House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Boyce, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman,

Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Waples,
Mr. Speaker—12.

Nays—Messrs. Betts, Broadway, Clements, Cochran, Davis, J. A.
Moore, Virden, C. Williamson—8.

So the resolution was

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Cochran from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Appoquinimink and Maryland Railroad Company,"

Reported back said bill to the House, with sundry amendments thereto,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read, and

On his further motion,

The consideration of said bill and amendments was

Postponed.

On motion of Mr. Rickards,

The bill entitled "An Act to authorize the laying out a public road in Kent County,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Cochran presented the petition of George Derrickson, and others, Stockholders of the Citizens Bank at Middletown, praying the passage of an Act to amend the charter of said Bank,

Which petition,

On motion of Mr. Cochran,

Was read, and

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

The joint resolution from the Senate for the appointment of a Committee on Claims,

Was read, as follows :

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met, That a committee of two on the part of the Senate be appointed to Act with a similar committee on the part of the House as a Joint Committee on Claims."

Mr. Churchman moved,

That the House "concur" in the said resolution,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Whereupon,

The Speaker appointed as the Committee on the part of the House under said resolution,

Messrs. Higgins, J. A. Moore and Rickards.

Ordered that the Senate be informed of the concurrence of the House in said resolution, and of the appointment of the Committee on the part of the House.

Mr. Betts from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Union Hotel Company,"

Returned the bill to the House and reported that the committee had examined the bill and recommended its passage by the House.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The said bill was then read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The bill entitled "An Act transferring to Delight Gardner all the right, title and interest of the State in and to a certain judgment recovered by the said Gardner against William Daniel of Kent County,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act for the relief of Elizabeth L. Quillen,"
Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Chandler also moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act for the relief of Rachel Ann Topham,"

Be read a second time by its title.

Which motion

Prevailed.

And the bill was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage tie existing between John H. Barr and Margaret his wife, late Margaret Morrison,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Rickards from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of John M. Houston, Manaen Gum and others, reported a bill entitled "An Act concerning public roads in Sussex County,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the resolution appointing William N. Hamilton, Auditor of Accounts.

Also that they had concurred in the resolution appointing Samuel B. Hitch, State Treasurer.

He also returned sundry enrolled bills which had received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate :

And he informed the House that the Senate had passed, and requested the concurrence of the House in the bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter six hundred and fifty nine of the eleventh volume of the Laws of the State of Delaware."

And he withdrew.

Mr. Chandler from the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of John W. McCall,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to divorce John W. McCall and Hannah Mary McCall from the bonds of matrimony,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Robinson gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to amend the Act entitled 'An Act regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors, &c., passed at Dover March 3, 1859.'"

Mr. Rickards from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of Thomas B. Lewis and others, asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Obtained further time to make report.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The bill entitled "An Act authorizing Mary A. Biggs to convey certain real estate,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Robinson from the committee to whom was referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to the State Library and Librarian, asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Obtained further time to make report.

On the application of Mr. Rickards from the committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the bill entitled 'An Act to amend chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, concerning roads and bridges,' passed at Dover March 5, 1857, and,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The Committee were granted further time to report thereon.

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter six hundred and fifty nine of the eleventh volume of the Laws of the State of Delaware,"

Was read, and

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The House adjourned.

EODEM DIE, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Betts presented the petition of Emeline Carswell praying the passage of an Act to divorce her from her husband James F. Carswell,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and with accompanying documents, referred to the Committee on Divorces.

Mr. Appleton from the Committee on Finance to whom was referred the joint resolution of the Senate in relation to collecting sums of money due the State,

Returned said resolution to the House and recommended the adoption of an amendment to said resolution submitted by the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Churchman,
The resolution and amendment,
Were read.

Mr. Appleton moved,
That the amendment to said resolution offered by the committee,
Be adopted,
When,

On motion of Mr. Churchman,
The further consideration of said amendment and resolution,
Was postponed until Tuesday next.

Mr. Cochran from the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the memorials of Willard Hall and A. H. Grimshaw,

Reported a "Joint Resolution for the relief the School Convention of New Castle County,"

Which,
On his motion,
Was read.

Mr. J. A. Moore moved,
That said resolution be adopted,
Pending which motion,
Mr Churchman moved,

That the further consideration of said resolution be postponed until Tuesday next,

Which motion, *Prevailed.*

And the resolution was postponed.

Mr. Betts presented the petition of George W. Wilkins and others, members of the Fame Hose Company of Wilmington, praying the passage of an Act to extend the Charter of their Company,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Corporations, with power to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Higgins,

The House adjourned until Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

MONDAY, *January 21, 1861, 3 o'clock, P. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Higgins presented the petition of Mary E. Stroup, for divorce,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Divorces, with leave to report by bill or otherwise,

Edward Ridgely, Esq., Secretary of State, being admitted, presented certain papers received by His Excellency the Governor, to wit: A copy of resolutions of the General Assembly of Ohio, "relative to the condition of the country, and pledging the power and resources of Ohio for the maintenance of the Constitution and Laws of the General Government;" and a paper purporting to be "An ordinance to dissolve the Union between the State of Alabama and other States united under the compact styled "The Constitution of the United States of America;" and requested, on the part of the Governor that, as the papers presented were the only copies sent to

him, the House would cause them to be transmitted to the Senate.

And he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Higgins,

The papers presented by the Secretary of State,

Were read, and

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Referred to the Committee on the State of the Union.

[See Appendix, papers marked A and B.]

Mr. Phillips presented the petition of E. D. Lynch and Mary Lynch for divorce,

Which,

On his motion,

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

Mr. Betts from the committee to whom was referred so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the increase of the salaries of the Chancellor, the Judges of the several Courts, and the Secretary of State, asked for, and,

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Was allowed further time to report.

On motion of Mr. Rickards,

The bill entitled "An Act concerning public roads in Sussex County,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Rickards gave notice that on to-morrow or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act concerning the town of Milford."

Mr. Appleton gave notice that on to-morrow or some future day he would ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act concerning Wills."

On motion of Mr. Higgins,
The House adjourned.



TUESDAY, *January 22, 1861, 10 o'clock, A. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Clements presented the petition of Garrett S. Masten and some forty other citizens of Kent County, praying the passage of An Act authorizing the call of a Convention to frame a Constitution to be submitted to the people of the State for ratification or rejection,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to a committee of three, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Clements, Churchman and Rickards were appointed said committee.

Mr. Betts moved that the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Appoquinimink and Maryland Railroad Company,

Be taken up for consideration,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Betts then offered the following amendments to section 1, of said bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read :

"Amend the printed bill as follows :

"Strike out in third line of section 1, the word "Richard" and insert "Richardson" in lieu thereof; also, after the word "Naudain" insert the following words : "John C. Patterson, William Wilson, Robert A. Cochran, Thomas Murphy."

"Strike out in the fourth line of section 1, the letter "M" between the words "Levi" and "Lattomus" and insert the letter "W" in lieu thereof."

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The amendments to section 1,

Were

Adopted.

Also, on motion of Mr. Betts,

Section 4 of said bill was amended by inserting the word "Tuesday" before the word "of" in the second line of the printed bill, and the word "January" after the same word "of."

Mr. Betts offered the following amendments to section 10,

"In the eighth line of section 10, of the printed bill, after the words 'on the,' insert the following words, 'State line at the intersection where the Smyrna and Head of Sassafra road crosses the State line, or to such other point on said State line within one and a half miles South of where said road crosses said State line, nearest to and in the most direct line of the Kent County Railroad.'"

"Insert in the 9th line of section 10, after the words 'the said' the words 'Kent County Railroad;' also insert in 13th line of said section after the words 'the said' the words 'Kent County Railroad;' also insert in the 14th line of said section after the words 'of the' the words 'President and Directors of the said.'"

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The amendments to section 10,

Were

Adopted.

Mr. Betts also offered the following amendment to section 12,

Which,

On his motion,

Was

Adopted.

"At the end of section 12, add the following words, viz: 'And also to erect and maintain along the whole line of said Railroad on both sides thereof, in this State, (before the said Railroad shall go into operation,) a good and substantial fence, so as not to obstruct the travel on the public carriage roads in the said Appoquinimink Hundred.'"

On motion of Mr. Betts,

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

Upon the question,

" Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. J. A. Moore presented the petition of E. Spruance and sixty six others, praying an Act of incorporation for a Railroad from the town of Smyrna to Clayton on the Delaware Rail Road,

Which,

On his motion,

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

Mr. Higgins presented the petition of Allen Voorhees Lesley,

William Reybold, and some fifty others, praying an amendment of the law in relation to partition fences,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to a committee of three, with leave to report by bill or otherwise,

Whereupon,

Messrs. Higgins, Broadway and Phillips, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Betts from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the petition of Charles Sax and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the "Delaware Mechanics Building Association, of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Boyce from the Committee on Vacant Lands, to whom was referred the petition of Peter R. Hudson,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to enable Peter R. Hudson to locate certain vacant lands in Baltimore Hundred, Sussex County, and to complete his title to the same,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

Mr. Betts from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the petition of George W. Wilkins, and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the members of the Fame Hose Company of the City of Wilmington,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The "Joint resolution in relation to collecting sums of money due the State,"

Was taken up for consideration, and,

On his further motion,

The resolution and amendment thereto,

Were read.

Mr. Appleton moved that the amendment to said resolution,

Be adopted,

Which motion

Prevailed.

The amendment is as follows :

"Amend the resolution by inserting in line 9, between the words 'are' and 'due' the words 'now and which have been for the space of six months.'"

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The resolution was

Concurred in.

With said amendment,

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Appleton moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act transferring to Delight Gardner all the right, title and interest of the State in and to a certain judgment recovered by the said Gardner against William Daniel of Kent County,"

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

Which motion,

Prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the first section of said bill,

Mr. Betts called the yeas and nays,

Which being taken were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Cochran, C. Williamson—3.

Nays—Messrs. Betts, Boyce, Broadway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden Waples, Mr. Speaker—17.

So section 1, of said bill was

Lost.

And the bill was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Union Hotel Company,"

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

The question being,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered thereon,

Which being taken were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Davis, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the Constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Churchman, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following resolutions and bills as correctly enrolled :

"Joint Resolution disapproving of the resolutions of the Legislature of Mississippi in reference to secession."

"Resolution appointing William N. Hamilton, Auditor of Accounts."

Resolution appointing Samuel B. Hitch, State Treasurer."

"An Act to incorporate the Diamond State Marine Mutual Insurance Company."

"An Act to incorporate Liberty Lodge, No. 2, of the American Protestant Association of Delaware, in the City of Wilmington."

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate St. Mary's Beneficial Society of the City of Wilmington, Delaware," had amended the same and requested the concurrence of the House in said amendment.

Also, that the Senate had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the St. Michael's Beneficial Society of the City of Wilmington, Delaware," had amended the same, and requested the concurrence of the House in said amendment.

And also that the Senate had passed, and requested the concurrence of the House in the bill entitled "An Act authorizing the Recorder of Kent County to copy Indices."

And he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act authorizing the Recorder of Kent County to copy Indices,"

Was read.

Pursuant to previous notice,

Mr. Robinson asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Clements,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to amend the Act entitled 'An Act regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors,' passed at Dover, March 3, 1857,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the Clerk be directed to cause five hundred copies of said bill to be printed for the use of this General Assembly,

Which motion

Prevailed.

When,

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The further consideration of said bill was postponed until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The House adjourned.

EODEM DIE, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Churchman from the Committee on Enrollment reported the following resolutions as correctly enrolled :

"Joint resolutions approving the Crittenden resolutions."

Mr. Phillips presented the petition of Jacob W. Cannon and others, praying the passage of the bill to amend chapter sixty of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Edward Ridgely, Esquire, Secretary of State, being admitted, informed the House that Samuel B. Hitch, State Treasurer, had given

bond as prescribed by law, which had been approved by the Governor and filed in the office of the Secretary of State ;

And also,

That William N. Hamilton, Auditor of Accounts, had given bond in the manner directed by law ; that the Governor had approved the same, and that it was filed in the department of State.

And he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act for the relief of Elizabeth L. Quillen,

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

The question being upon the adoption of section 1, of the bill,

And the House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Boyce, Broadaway, Clements, Higgins, Phillips, Rickards—6.

Nays—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Cochran, Davis, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—14.

So the first section of the bill was

Lost.

And the bill was

Lost.

Mr. Chandler moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act for the relief of Rachel Ann Topham,"

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

Which motion

Prevailed.

The question being upon the adoption of section 1, of the bill,

And the House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon,

Clements, Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, C. Williamson—13.

Nays—Messrs. Chandler, Churchman, Cochran, Davis, J. A. Moore, Waples, Mr. Speaker—7.

So section 1, of the bill was *Adopted.*

And the title of said bill was *Adopted.*

Mr. Betts moved,

That the vote upon the adoption of the title of said bill,

Be reconsidered,

Which motion *Prevailed.*

Mr. Robinson then offered the following amendment to the title of said bill :

“Strike out all after the word ‘Act’ and insert in lieu thereof ‘to divorce Rachel Ann Topham and her husband John P. Topham from the bonds of matrimony.

Which amendment was *Adopted.*

And the title of the bill as amended, was *Adopted.*

The bill as amended then *Passed the House.*

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the amendment of the Senate to the House bill entitled “An Act to incorporate ‘St. Mary’s Beneficial Society of the City of Wilmington, Delaware,’ ”

Be taken up for consideration,

Which motion *Prevailed.*

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The amendment was read, as follows :

“Senate, January 18th, 1861.

“Amend the bill by striking out section 5.”

Extract from Journal,

J. L. PRATT,
Clerk of Senate.

For concurrence.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the amendment be concurred in,

Upon which motion,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the amendment,

Having received the constitutional majority,

Was

Concurred in.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Waples from the Committee to whom was referred the petition of Manaen Gum and others, asked for, and

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

Were allowed further time to make report.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The amendment of the Senate to the House bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the St. Michael's Beneficial Society of the City of Wilmington,"

Was taken up for consideration, and,

On his further motion,

Read as follows :

"Senate, January 22, 1861.

"Bill amended by striking out section 5."

Extract from the Journal,

J. L. PRATT,

Clerk of Senate.

For concurrence.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the amendment of the Senate be concurred in,

The yeas and nays being ordered on said motion,

Were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the amendment having received the constitutional majority,

The motion

Prevailed.

And the amendment was

Concurred in.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Churchman presented the petition of Benjamin F. Moore and others, citizens of New Castle County, praying the passage of an Act calling a Convention to frame a new Constitution or amend the present Constitution of this State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee raised upon a similar petition, presented this morning, of Garrett S. Masten, with leave to said committee to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The bill entitled "An Act authorizing Mary A. Biggs to convey certain real estate,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the amendment of the House to the "Joint resolution in relation to collecting sums of money due the State."

Also, that the Senate had passed, and requested the concurrence

of the House in a bill entitled "An Act for the relief of James Sharp."

And he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The bill entitled "An Act authorizing Mary A. Biggs to convey certain real estate,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act for the relief of James Sharp,"

Was read, and

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

Was, with accompanying document, referred to the Committee on Finance,

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

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to enable John A. Harris to place and drive piles at the end of a certain wharf in the City of Wilmington,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was read.

Mr. Betts presented the petition of Susan Eglart, for divorce,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on divorces, with leave to said committee to report by bill or otherwise.

Pursuant to notice,

Mr. Rickards asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act concerning the town of Milford,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Rickards,

Was read.

Mr. Appleton presented the claim of Joseph M. Barr against the State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Higgins presented the petition of Annie Elmira Stewart for divorce,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Divorces with leave to said committee to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Chandler moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage tie existing between John H. Barr and Margaret his wife, late Margaret Morrison,"

Be read a third time by paragraphs in order to pass the House

Which motion *Prevailed.*

The question being taken upon the adoption of section 1 of the bill,

It was *Lost.*

Mr. Clements moved to reconsider the vote upon the first section of said bill,

Which motion *Prevailed.*

Upon the question,

"Shall this be section 1 of the bill?"

The House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Boyce, Broadway, Calhoon, Clements, Jonathan Moore—5.

Nays—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Chandler, Churchman, Cochran, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—15.

So section 1 of said bill was

Lost.

And the bill was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to divorce John W. McCall and Hannah Mary McCall from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The "Joint Resolution for the relief of the School Convention of New Castle County," postponed until to-day,

Was taken up for consideration,

And read, and

On his motion,

The further consideration thereof was postponed until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, *January* 23, 1861, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Betts presented the petition of James M. Roberts for divorce,
Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and

On motion of Mr. Waples,

Referred to the Committee on Divorces, with leave to said Committee to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act authorizing the Recorder of Kent County to copy Indices."

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the members of the Fame Hose Company in the City of Wilmington,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Phillips presented the claim of Aaron B. Marvel, late Auditor of Accounts, against the State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Delaware Mechanics Building Association of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Rickards presented the petition of Mitchell Warren and others, praying for the passage of an Act to call a Convention for the purpose of amending the Constitution of this State, or framing a new one to be ratified or rejected by the people,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the special committee already raised upon petitions of a similar character.

Mr. Rickards presented the remonstrance of Alexander Jackson and others, against the passage of an Act to vacate a certain public road in Kent County,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Chandler from the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Mary E. Stroup, for divorce,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to divorce Mary E. Stroup and James Stroup, and to dissolve the bonds of matrimony between them,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Rickards presented the petition of David H. Houston and over one hundred other citizens of Sussex County, praying the passage of the bill entitled "An Act to repeal the Act entitled 'An Act to amend chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, concerning Roads and Bridges,' " passed at Dover in 1857,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the "Joint Resolution for the relief of the School Convention of New Castle County,"

Be taken up for consideration,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The resolution was read, and

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rickards,

The bill entitled "An Act concerning the town of Milford,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Boyce moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to enable Peter R. Hudson to locate certain vacant lands in Baltimore Hundred, Sussex County, and to complete his title to the same,"

Be read a second time by its title.

Which motion

Prevailed.

And the bill was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Cochran from the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the petition of Joseph C. Tatnall and others,

Reported that the Committee deemed it unnecessary to report a bill as prayed by the petition,

Which report,

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

Was

Adopted.

Mr. Chandler from the Committee on Divorces to whom was referred the petition of Emeline Carswell for divorce,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage tie existing between James F. Carswell and Emeline his wife,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The "Joint Resolutions to appoint a Committee of Inquiry in reference to Lotteries, postponed until to-day,

Was taken up for consideration,

And read.

Mr. Churchman moved to amend the first resolution,

"By striking out 'three hundred dollars,' and inserting in lieu thereof 'one hundred and fifty dollars,'"

Which motion

Prevailed.

And the first resolution was

Amended.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the Joint Resolution, as amended,

Be adopted,

Pending which motion,

Mr. Churchman offered the following amendment to said resolution,

"By adding: '6th, That the said Committee shall have power to send for persons or papers.'"

And moved that the amendment be adopted,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The further consideration of said resolution was postponed until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The House adjourned.

EODEM DIE, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Broadaway presented the petition of David H. Stayton and others, praying the passage of an Act to call a Convention for the purpose of framing a new Constitution to be submitted for ratification or rejection,

Which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the special committee already raised on that subject.

Mr. Higgins from the committee to whom was referred the petition of William Reybold, Allen Voorhees Lesley and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 57 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Chandler from the Committee on Divorces to whom was referred the petition of E. D. Lynch and Mary Lynch,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage tie existing between E. D. Lynch and Mary his wife,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Betts from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter six hundred and fifty-nine of the eleventh volume of the Laws of the State of Delaware,"

Reported back said bill to the House and recommend the adoption of the following amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read :

"Amend by striking out all of the first section and inserting in lieu thereof the following :

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met, (two thirds of each branch thereof concurring therein,) that the word "next" in the ninth line of section 1, be stricken out, and the words "A. D. eighteen hundred and sixty-one" be inserted in lieu thereof ;

And also,

That after the word "number" in the fifth line of section 6, the following words shall be inserted : "one of the said Directors shall not be eligible to re-election at the next annual election."

And also,

That the word "meeting" be inserted after the word "first" in the eleventh line of section 7,

And also,

That the word "two" be stricken out of the fourth line of section 11, and the word "four" be inserted in lieu thereof

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The amendment to said bill,

Was

Adopted.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Betts,

Said bill was then read a second time by its title.

Mr. Phillips presented the claims of Richard N. Merriken and Samuel C. Leatherbury against the State,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "An Act authorizing the Recorder of New Castle County to make an Indirect Mortgage Index."

Also that the Senate had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act for incorporating the Friendship Fire Company of the borough of Wilmington,'" passed at Dover January 15, 1805.

And returned sundry enrolled resolutions and bills which had received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate.

And he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

The bill entitled "An Act proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Delaware,"

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

On the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs Betts, Broadaway, Chandler, Churchman, Cochran, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson—12.

Nays—Messrs. Appleton, Boyce, Calhoon, Clements, Collins, Davis, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Mr. Speaker—9.

So the bill having failed to receive the constitutional majority,

Was

Lost.

Mr. Betts from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the petition of George Derrickson and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate a Bank in Middletown under the name of The Citizens' Bank of the State of Delaware, at Middletown,'"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Appleton from the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Senate bill, entitled "An Act for the relief of James Sharp,"

Reported back said bill to the House with amendments thereto,

Which amendments,

On his motion,

Were read, as follows :

"Amend section 1, of the bill by striking out all between the word 'lawful' in the tenth line, and the word 'the' in the eleventh line, and inserting 'for' in lieu thereof."

"Amend further by striking out all after the word 'slave' in the fourteenth line."

Mr. Appleton moved,

That the first amendment to said bill recommended by the Committee,

Be adopted,

The House being divided on the motion,

Mr. Churchman called the yeas and nays,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Boyce, Broadaway, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Waples—11.

Nays—Messrs. Betts, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, J. A. Moore, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—10.

So the motion

Prevailed.

And the amendment was

Adopted.

Mr. Churchman moved,

That the second amendment to said bill recommended by the committee,

Be adopted,

The question being upon the motion to adopt,

And the House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, Phillips, Waples—11.

Nays—Messrs. Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Williamson, Mr. Speaker—10.

So the motion

Prevailed.

And the amendment was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The bill was then read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, *January 24, 1861, 10 o'clock, A. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter six hundred and fifty nine of the eleventh volume of the Laws of the State of Delaware," as the same had been amended by the House,

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

Upon the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Appleton moved,

That the vote by which the House ordered the bill entitled "An Act for the relief of James Sharp,"

To be read a second time,

Be reconsidered,

Which motion

Prevailed.

The question before the House, being,

"Shall this bill be read a second time by its title?"

Mr. Appleton moved,

To reconsider the vote by which the second amendment to said bill recommended by the Committee of Finance, was adopted.

Which motion

Prevailed.

And the question being upon the adoption of the second amendment, the motion to adopt was

Lost.

Mr. Appleton then moved,

That the vote by which the first amendment to said bill was adopted,

Be reconsidered,

Which motion

Prevailed.

And the vote being taken upon the motion to adopt the first amendment to the bill,

The motion to amend was

Lost.

The question,

"Shall this Bill be read a second time by its title?" recurring and the vote being taken upon the question,

The motion to read

Prevailed.

And the bill was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Rickards,

The bill entitled "An Act concerning the town of Milford,"

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Appleton offered the following resolution,

Which was read,

Resolved, By the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware, in General Assembly met, That the Governor be requested to communicate to this General Assembly, information as to whether any order has been issued by his authority for removing from the custody of Theodore Hyatt, any arms or accoutrements be-

longing to the State, and if so, the reason for such order, and in whose custody the said arms and accoutrements now are.

Mr. Appleton moved,

That the resolution be adopted,

The House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Pending which order,

Mr. Broadway asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

Was excused from voting upon said resolution.

The yeas and nays being taken upon the adoption of said resolution,

Were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Chandler, Churchman, Cochran, Davis, Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—14.

Nays—Messrs. Calhoon, Clements, Collins, Robinson, Virden—5.

So the resolution was

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate a Bank in Middletown under the name of the Citizens Bank of the State of Delaware at Middletown,'"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Chandler gave notice that upon to-morrow or some future day he would ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 103 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware."

Also, An Act entitled "An Act to repeal an Act entitled 'An Act to amend chapter 111 of the Revised Code.'"

Mr. Rickards presented the petition of E. D. Cullen and over

fifty others, praying the passage of an Act to authorize the payment of a sum of money to William Y. Swiggett,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Chandler from the Committee on Divorces to whom was referred the petition of James M. Roberts,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to Divorce James M. Roberts and Caroline his wife, late Caroline Lee, from the bonds of matrimony,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Rickards from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of Thomas B. Lewis and others, praying the passage on an Act to vacate a road in Kent County,

Reported that the Committee deemed it inexpedient to act upon said petition,

Which report,

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

Was

Adopted.

Mr. Churchman presented the petition of Thomas Clyde and others, praying the passage of an Act authorizing the Levy Court of New Castle County to erect a bridge over Christiana Creek,

Which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Betts presented the remonstrance of Thomas H. Reece and others.

Also, the remonstrance of Walter F. Southgate and three hundred others, to the passage of an Act authorizing the erection of a bridge over Christiana Creek,

Which remonstrances,

On his motion,

Were read, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Waples presented the petition of John Hillyard Burton and over fifty others, praying the passage of the bill repealing the Act amending chapter 60 of the Revised Code,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Appleton presented the petition of James Montgomery and twenty-nine others, citizens of New Castle County, praying the passage of an Act to authorize the election of delegates to a Convention for the purpose of framing a new Constitution to be submitted to the people of the State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee already raised upon the subject.

Mr. Chandler from the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Susan E. Egbert,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to divorce Ernest Egbert and Susan E., his wife, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Higgins,

The bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 57, of the Revised Statutes,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Delaware Mechanics Building Association of Wilmington, Delaware,"

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

The question being,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered thereon,

Which being taken were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the Constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.]

On motion of Mr. Higgins,

The House adjourned.

EODEM DIE, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Chandler from the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Annie Elmira Stewart,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to divorce Frank Stewart and Annie Elmira his wife from the bonds of matrimony,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Rickards presented the petition of Nicholas W. Adams, for divorce,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Divorces, with leave to said Committee to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the vote taken on the 22d inst., upon the first section of the bill entitled "An Act transferring to Delight Gardner, all the right, title and interest of the State in and to a certain judgment recovered by the said Gardner against William Daniel of Kent County,"

Be reconsidered,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in a bill entitled "An Act to enable Elijah W. Carey and Asbury C. Pepper, to locate certain vacant lands in Dagsborough Hundred, in Sussex County, and to complete their title to the same."

And he withdrew.

The question being taken upon the adoption of the first section of the bill transferring to Delight Gardner the interest of the State in a judgment against William Daniel,

Mr. Betts called the yeas and nays,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Mr. Appleton—1.

Nays—Messrs. Betts, Boyce, Broadway, Calhoon, Chandler,

Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

So the first section of the bill was *Lost.*

And the bill was *Lost.*

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act to enable Elijah W. Carey and Asbury C. Pepper, to locate certain vacant lands in Dagsborough Hundred, in Sussex County, and to complete their title to the same,"

Was read.

Mr. Betts presented a communication from Thomas Clyde, declining a re-election as a Director of the Farmers Bank, and suggesting the passage of a law preventing any one from serving as an officer of the Bank who may be indebted thereto in a sum exceeding five thousand dollars; and prohibiting the bank from permitting any Company to owe the bank over ten thousand dollars, making the directors personally liable for any loss occurring in consequence of a violation of the provisions of such law.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The communication was read, and referred to a committee of three with instructions to report whether any legislation is necessary in reference to the subject referred to in the communication.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Betts, J. A. Moore and Waples were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act authorizing the Recorder of Kent County to copy Indices,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs and

Passed the House.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Robinson from the Committee on Enrollment reported that the following bills were correctly enrolled:

"An Act to incorporate 'St. Mary's Beneficial Society of the City of Wilmington, Delaware.'"

"An Act to incorporate St. Michael's Beneficial Society of the City of Wilmington, Delaware."

"A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act for incorporating the Friendship Fire Company of the borough of Wilmington,'" passed at Dover January 15, 1805.

"An Act authorizing the Recorder of New Castle County to make an Indirect Mortgage Index."

Mr. Clements presented the petition of Moses Rash and others, praying the passage of an Act authorizing the owners of certain low grounds lying on St. Jones' Creek, to ditch and drain the same,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to a Committee of three, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Clements, Waples and Higgins, were appointed said committee.

Mr. C. Williamson presented the petition of Benjamin Sparks and others, praying the passage of an Act authorizing the calling of a Convention to frame a new Constitution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the committee raised upon that subject.

Mr. Waples from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Manaen Gum and others in reference to fences,

Reported adversely to the prayer of the petitioners,

Which report,

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

Was

Adopted.

Mr. Chandler moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to divorce John W. McCall and Hannah Mary McCall from the bonds of matrimony,"

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

Which motion

Prevailed.

When,

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The further consideration of the bill was postponed until Tuesday next.

Mr. Waples presented the petition of William Harris, Samuel J. Jefferson and over one hundred others, praying the passage of an Act to divide Broadkilm Hundred into two Hundreds,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to a committee of three with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Waples, Davis and Jonathan Moore were appointed said committee.

Mr. Betts from the committee upon the salaries of the Chancellor, the Judges of the Courts and the Secretary of State, submitted the following report :

The Special Committee to whom was referred so much of the Governor's Message as relates to salaries of Chancellor, Judges and Secretary of State, have directed me to report that they have given the matter much consideration, and although they cannot agree to recommend any specific increase on account of the diversity of their views, yet they can and do advise that some increase of all these salaries should be made ; they have therefore directed me to report a bill for the purpose of increasing said salaries, but leaving blanks, where the amounts of salary should be, to be filled by the House ; and also to add a section to the bill that will prevent either the Chancellor or Judges from receiving this proposed increase of salary while they may be holding any salaried office under any corporation of this State.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill reported by the committee on increase of salaries, entitled "An Act to amend chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware concerning salaries,"

Was read.

Mr. Boyce moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to enable Peter R. Hudson to locate certain vacant lands in Baltimore Hundred, Sussex County, and to complete his title to the same,"

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

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Chandler moved to amend the third section of the bill, by filling a blank therein with the words "one dollar and fifty cents."

Which motion

Prevailed.

And the section as amended, was,

On motion of Mr. Boyce,

Adopted.

And the bill being read by paragraphs,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Betts presented the memorial of L. P. Bush, E. D. Daily, J. W. Sharp and William Marshall, a committee of the National Medical Association and of the Delaware State Medical Society, in reference to vital statistics, and praying the passage of an Act authorizing the registration of births, marriages and deaths in this State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and,

On his further motion,

Referred to a committee of three, with leave to report by bill or otherwise,

And the Clerk was directed to cause three hundred copies of the memorial to be printed for the use of this General Assembly.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Betts, J. A. Moore and Rickards were appointed the committee on said memorial.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Union Hotel Company."

Also, that Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in a bill entitled "An Act authorizing Charles Jester to erect a gate across a public road in Kent County."

And presented an enrolled bill for the signature of the Speaker.

And he withdrew.

Mr. Cochran from the committee to whom was referred the petition of L. G. Vandegrift and others,

Reported a bill amending the Act entitled "A Supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, marsh and cripple lying on both sides of the Silver Run, fronting the river Delaware effectually to embank and drain the same, and to keep the banks, dams, sluices, canals and drains in repair, and to raise a fund to defray the expenses thereof,' passed at Dover February 22, 1859,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act authorizing Charles Jester to erect a gate across a public road in Kent County,"

Was read.

And also,

On his motion,

The petition accompanying said bill.

Mr. Collins presented the remonstrance of William Hall and

others, against the passage of the bill authorizing Charles Jester to erect a gate across a public road in Kent County,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to divorce Mary E. Stroup and James Stroup, and to dissolve the bonds of matrimony between them,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Chandler moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage tie existing between James F. Carswell and Emeline his wife,"

Be read a second time by its title.

Which motion

Prevailed.

And the bill was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The bill authorizing Charles Jester to erect a gate across a public road in Kent County, with the petition for said bill and the remonstrance thereto,

Were referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the joint resolutions appointing a Committee of Inquiry in reference to Lotteries,

Be taken up for consideration,

Which motion

Prevailed.

The first resolution with the enacting clause,

Was read.

Mr. Betts moved,

That it be adopted,

And the House being divided,
 The yeas and nays were ordered,
 Which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Broadway, Chandler, Churchman, Cochran, Higgins, Mr. Speaker—8.

Nays—Messrs. Boyce, Calhoon, Clements, Collins, Davis, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamsen—13.

So the resolutions were

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage tie existing between E. D. Lynch and Mary his wife,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the members of the Fame Hose Company of the City of Wilmington,"

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

Which motion

Prevailed.

Upon the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Appleton offered certain Joint resolutions in reference to the appointment of a Committee of Inquiry in relation to the Lottery grants of this State,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read, and

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The consideration thereof was postponed until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY, *January 25, 1861, 10 o'clock, A. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Betts presented the claim of G. W. Vernon against the State

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Betts presented the petition of Mary C. Elder for divorce,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Divorces, with leave to said Committee to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. J. A. Moore moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act for the relief of James Sharp,"

Be read a third time in order to pass the House,

Which motion,

Prevailed.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House, that the Senate had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "An Act to repeal an Act entitled, an Act for the relief of certain free negroes and free mulattoes," had amended the same and requested the concurrence of the House in said amendment.

Also, that the Senate had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "An Act to authorize the laying out a public road in Kent County."

And he withdrew.

Mr. Robinson moved to amend section 1 of the bill entitled "An Act for the relief of James Sharp," by striking out the words "two hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof, "one hundred and fifty."

The House being divided upon the resolution to amend,

Mr. Betts called the yeas and nays,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Robinson—2.

Nays—Messrs. Appleton, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—19.

So the motion to amend was

Lost.

Upon the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

So the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the bill reported yesterday by Mr. Cochran in reference to "Silver Run,"

Be taken up for consideration,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Betts then moved,

That said bill be amended by prefixing the following as the title thereof:

"An Act to further amend the Act entitled 'An Act to amend the Act entitled A supplement to the Act entitled, An Act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadow, marsh and cripple lying on both sides of Silver Run, fronting the river Delaware, effectually to embank and drain the same, and keep the banks, dams, sluices, canals and drains in repair, and to raise a fund to defray the expense thereof,'"

Which motion

Prevailed.

And the amendment was

Adopted.

Mr. Betts offered the following additional amendment to said bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read:

"Amend the enacting clause by inserting in the 4th line thereof, after the word 'entitled' which is partly in the third and partly in the fourth line, the following words, 'An Act to amend the Act entitled,'"

And, on his further motion,

The amendment was

Adopted.

The bill was then,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Read a second time by its title.

Mr. Cochran presented the remonstrance of James B. Alrich and others, to the passage of the bill in reference to "Silver Run,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Betts moved,

That Rule 12, for the government of the House, be suspended, in order that the bill in reference to Silver Run may be passed to a third reading.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in a "Joint Resolution appointing Bank Directors on the part of the State."

And he withdrew.

The House being divided upon the motion to suspend Rule 12,

The yeas and nays were ordered thereon,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Churchman, Cochran, Higgins, Phillips, Rickards, Waples, Mr. Speaker—9.

Nays—Messrs. Boyce, Broadaway, Calloon, Chandler, Clements, Collins, Davis, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Robinson, Virden, C. Williamson—12.

So the motion was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The bill entitled "An Act to enable Elijah W. Carey and Asbury C. Pepper, to locate certain vacant lands in Dagsborough Hundred, in Sussex County, and to complete their title to the same,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The resolutions offered by him yesterday in reference to lotteries, and postponed,

Were taken up for consideration,

Mr. Appleton then asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Obtained leave to withdraw said resolutions.

Mr. Betts offered certain resolutions in reference to the lottery grants made by this State,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read separately, and

Adopted.

The Resolutions as adopted, are as follows :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by this House, whose duty it shall be to ascertain and report to this body as follows :

1st. What security (if any) the State has for the payment of bonuses and prizes in the Lotteries of this State?

2nd. How many persons are paying for license for vending lottery tickets in this State? And also to learn, if practicable, if there are any persons engaged in vending lottery tickets without license, giving their opinion, also, as to whether an increase in the cost of said licenses would not be beneficial to the community.

3d. Whether in their opinion persons vending lottery tickets without license, should not be punished by imprisonment as well as be subject to a fine; and also, what further legislation in their opinion is necessary to have the laws on the subject more rigidly enforced.

4th. Whether the spirit of the lottery laws in this State is not violated by the selling of what are known as lottery policies, and if so, to report such a bill as will effectually stop the sale of such policies.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,
The House adjourned.

EODEM DIE, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. J. A. Moore presented the petition of E. Spruance and others, praying the passage of an Act to change the name of Smýrna Station to "Clayton,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to a committee of three, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. J. A. Moore, Phillips and Appleton were appointed said committee.

Mr. Churchman presented the petition of L. E. Pennington and others, praying the passage of an Act authorizing the Levy Court of New Castle County to erect a bridge over Christiana creek,

Which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Pursuant to previous notice, Mr. Chandler asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 103, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

Was read.

Mr. Chandler also,

On motion Mr. Churchman,

Had leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to repeal the Act entitled 'An Act to amend chapter 111 of the Revised Code,' " notice of the application for such leave having been given.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill just introduced,

Was read.

Mr. Betts presented the bill of James Montgomery against the State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Betts presented the petition of J. M. Turner and J. Maris, President and Clerk of the City Council of Wilmington, made, by order of a unanimous vote of said Council, praying the passage of an Act to abolish the system of 'Lottery policies,'

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee of Inquiry appointed under the Resolution in relation to the Lottery grants of this State, passed this morning.

Mr. Higgins gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill to amend chapter 89 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware.

Mr. Chandler from the Committee on Divorces to whom was referred the petition of Nicholas W. Adams,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage tie existing between Nicholas W. Adams and Louisa, his wife,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to enable John Harris to place and drive piles at the end of a certain wharf in the city of Wilmington,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to Divorce James M. Roberts and Caroline his wife, late Caroline Lee, from the bonds of matrimony,

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Higgins presented the petition of William R. Tatum and others, praying the passage of an Act giving Justices of the Peace jurisdiction of petty larceny and misdemeanor cases, by free negroes and mulattoes,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to a committee of three with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Higgins, C. Williamson and Jonathan Moore were appointed said committee.

Mr. Cochran presented the petition of Levi W. Lattomus and others, praying an amendment to an Act passed at the last session of the Legislature, authorizing the erection of a bridge over Blackbird creek,

Which,

On his motion.

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to divorce Ernest Egbert and Susan E., his wife, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Also,

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to divorce Frank Stewart and Annie Elmira his wife from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a second time by its title.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the Committee of Inquiry, under the Lottery resolutions offered by Mr. Betts, viz :

Committee—Messrs. Betts, Broadway and Rickards.

Mr. Cochran presented the petition of William Scott and others, praying the passage of an Act to prevent free negroes and mulattoes from owning or holding real estate,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to a Committee of three, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Cochran, Davis and Waples, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Robinson from the committee to whom was referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to the Library and Librarian, asked for, and,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Were allowed further time to report.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The Senate "Joint Resolution appointing Bank Directors on the part of the State,"

Was read, and

On his further motion,

The consideration thereof postponed until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 25, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, concerning salaries,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The House adjourned until Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

MONDAY, *January 28, 1861, 3 o'clock, P. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Clements from the committee to whom was referred the petitions praying for an alteration in the Constitution of the State, asked for, and,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was allowed further time to report.

Mr. Betts presented the petition of Daniel Farra and others, citizens of New Castle County, praying the passage of an Act calling a Convention to amend the present Constitution or frame a new one, to be submitted to the people for ratification or rejection,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the committee already raised upon the subject.

Edward Ridgely, Esquire, Secretary of State, being admitted, presented certain resolutions received by His Excellency the Governor, from the States of Virginia, Tennessee and Pennsylvania, passed by the Legislatures of those States; and an ordinance passed by the Convention of Alabama, with the request of the Governor that, as he had but one copy of the papers presented, the House would, after they had considered them, cause the same to be sent into the Senate.

And he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The papers presented to the House by the Secretary of State,

Were read, and

On his further motion,

Referred to the Committee on the State of the Union.

[See Appendix, papers marked C, D, E and F.]

Mr. Churchman presented the petition of Mahlon Betts, E. C. Stotsenburg and others, the President and Directors of the Mechanics Bank of the city of Wilmington, praying for the passage of an Act to amend the charter of said Bank,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Corporations, with leave to said committee to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 103 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Also, on motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to repeal the Act entitled 'An Act to amend chapter 111 of the Revised Code,'"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Churchman presented the petition of John T. M. Cardesa and others, praying the passage of an Act to divide Brandywine Hundred into two election Districts,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to a committee of three, with leave to report by bill or otherwise,

Whereupon,

Messrs. Churchman, Broadaway and Jonathan Moore, were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage then existing between Nicholas W. Adams and Louisa his wife,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Phillips presented the petition of Burton W. Lockwood and others, praying the passage of an Act authorizing the appointment of an additional Constable in Sussex County, to reside in the town of Frankford,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to a committee of three, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Phillips, Appleton and Clements, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Betts presented the petition of William J. Gallagher, James McLanan and others, of Wilmington, praying the passage of an Act to incorporate the Morocco Dressers Union of Friendship and Benevolence,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Corporations, with leave to said committee to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Betts presented the petition of G. W. Bush, John B. Porter and others.

Also,

The petition of William Simmons and others, praying the passage of an Act for the prevention or punishment of vagrancy,

Which,

On his motion,

Was referred to a committee of three with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Betts, Broadaway and Rickards, were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY, *January 29, 1861, 10 o'clock, A. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pursuant to notice.

Mr. Higgins asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 89, section 25, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Higgins,

Was read.

Mr. Rickards presented the petition of C. S. Layton, C. S. Watson, Benjamin Burton, J. P. McColley and Peter F. Causey, a committee appointed by the Directors of the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company, praying the passage of a supplementary Act to the Charter of said Company, to authorize the State Treasurer to subscribe for \$50,000 of the stock of said Company; and to endorse the bonds of said Company to the amount of \$100,000,

Which petition, with accompanying documents,

On the further motion of Mr. Rickards,

Was read and referred to a committee of three, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Rickards, Clements and Betts, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House of the adoption of a motion by the Senate, a copy of which was presented, requesting a joint meeting of the Committee of the House on the State of the Union, with the Senate committee on the same subject.

And he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The motion of the Senate as presented by their Clerk, was read, as follows :

"On motion of Mr. McFerran, the Clerk of the Senate is instructed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Committee on the State of the Union on the part of the Senate, request a joint meeting with the Committee on the State of the Union on the part of the House, in the State Library, forthwith."

Extract from the Journal,

J. L. PRATT,

Clerk of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The Committee on the State of the Union were allowed to retire from the hall, in order to meet the Senate committee as requested.

Mr. Betts gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act concerning the payment of promissory notes, checks and bills of exchange.'"

Mr. Chandler from the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Mary C. Elder, for divorce,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage tie existing between Isaac S. Elder and Mary C., his wife,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Higgins moved,

That five hundred copies of the bill entitled "An Act to amend

chapter 57 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware," be printed for the use of the General Assembly.

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Broadaway gave notice that on to-morrow, or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to authorize the Recorder of Deeds in and for Kent County, to transcribe Marriage Record, and to make a direct Index thereto,"

Mr. Betts presented from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the petition of the Directors of the Mechanics Bank, in Wilmington,

Reported a bill entitled "A further supplement to an Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Wilmington, under the name of the Mechanics Bank,'" passed at Dover February 14, 1855.

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Betts from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred the petition of William J. Gallagher and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Morocco Dressers Union of Friendship and Benevolence, of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Betts from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled "An Act concerning the town of Milford,"

Reported back said bill to the House with an amendment thereto, the adoption of which was recommended.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The amendment to said bill reported by the committee,

Was read, as follows :

"Amend section 3 in the 15th line, by adding after the word 'or' the following words, 'such enclosures or pens shall be,'"

Which amendment,

On the further motion of Mr. Betts,

Was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The further consideration of said bill was postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. Collins presented the petition of Justus Lowery and others, praying for the passage of an Act to authorize the election of Delegates to a State Convention to amend the Constitution or frame a new one,

Which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the Committee already raised upon the subject.

Mr. Betts presented the petition of L. P. Bush and others, praying the passage of an Act prohibiting interments in a burial ground in the city of Wilmington, on the East side of King street between Eighth and Ninth streets, in said city,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to a committee of three, with leave to report by bill or otherwise,

Whereupon,

Messrs. Betts, Virden and Robinson, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Higgins from the committee to whom was referred the petition of William R. Tatum and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to extend the Criminal Jurisdiction of the Justices of the Peace,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And, on his further motion,

Recommitted to the committee, and the committee authorized to employ a Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Higgins,

The Clerk was directed to cause five hundred copies of said bill to be printed for the use of this General Assembly.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "An Act authorizing Mary A. Biggs to convey certain real estate."

Also, that the Senate had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Appoquinimink and Maryland Railroad Company."

He also returned the following enrolled bills which had received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate:

"An Act to incorporate St. Mary's Beneficial Society of the city of Wilmington, Delaware."

"An Act to incorporate St. Michael's Beneficial Society of the City of Wilmington, Delaware."

"A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act for incorporating the Friendship Fire Company of the borough of Wilmington,' passed at Dover January 15, 1805.

"An Act authorizing the Recorder of New Castle County to make an Indirect Mortgage Index."

And he presented sundry enrolled bills for the signature of the Speaker.

And he withdrew.

Mr. Virden presented the petition of John B. Conner and others, praying the passage of an Act to authorize the appointment of an additional Constable for the town of Hill Hundred, Kent County, to reside at Magnolia,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to a committee of three with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Virden, Chandler and Jonathan Moore, were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The House adjourned.

EODEM DIE, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. J. A. Moore presented the claim of Robert D. Hoffecker against the State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Edward Ridgely, Esquire, Secretary of State, being admitted, presented certain resolutions received by his Excellency the Governor, from the States of Tennessee and Maine, with the request of the Governor that, as he had but a single copy of the papers presented, the House would cause the same to be transmitted to the Senate.

And he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The papers communicated to the House by the Governor,
Were read, and

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,
The Resolutions passed by the Legislature of Tennessee,
Were referred to the Committee on the State of the Union.

[See Appendix, papers marked G and H.]

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

The bill entitled "An Act to amend the Act entitled 'An Act regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors,' passed at Dover March 3, 1857,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to divorce John W. McCall and Hannah Mary McCall from the bonds of matrimony,"

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

Upon the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The House being divided,

Mr. Betts called the yeas and nays,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—Mr. Davis—1.

So the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. J. A. Moore gave notice that on to-morrow or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate a Bank in Smyrna, under the name of the citizens Bank of Smyrna.'"

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

"The bill entitled "An Act to divorce Mary E. Stroup and James Stroup and to dissolve the bonds of matrimony between them,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Clements 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 town of Dover."

Mr. Rickards gave notice that on to-morrow or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act authorizing the making of certain indexes to the records of the Superior Court of Sussex County,"

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The Resolutions passed by the Legislature of the State of Maine, and read,

Were referred to a committee of three,

Whereupon,

Messrs. Appleton, C. Williamson and Phillips were appointed said committee.

Mr. Robinson gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill, entitled, "An Act to amend chapter 15, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate a Bank in Middletown under the name of the Citizens Bank of the State of Delaware at Middletown,'"

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

Upon the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Appleton from the Committee on Finance to whom was referred the petition of E. D. Cullen and others, praying the passage of an Act in favor of William Y. Swiggett,

Reported adversely to the prayer of the petitioners,

Which report,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was

Adopted.

Mr. Betts presented the petition of G. F. Smith and others, praying the passage of an Act to incorporate the Delaware Rifle Company,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Corporations, with leave to said Committee to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. C. Williamson presented the petition of John Booth, Jr., and others, praying the passage of an Act to lay out a new public road in Mispillion and North West Fork Hundred,

Which,

On his motion,

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

Mr. Churchman from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John T. M. Cardesa, and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act dividing Brandywine Hundred into two Election Districts,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Higgins,

The bill, entitled "An Act to repeal an Act entitled 'An Act for the relief of certain free negroes and free mulattoes,'" with the Senate amendments thereto,

Was taken up for consideration,

And read.

The amendments are as follows :

"In Senate, January 24, 1861.

1st. Amend the title of said bill by striking out the word "repeal" in the first line and inserting in lieu thereof the word "amend."

2d. Amend the first section by striking out all after the word "hereby" in the seventh line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the following, amended as follows, to wit, by striking out the words "or Kent Counties" in lines 5 and 6 of the said original Act, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "County;" and also, by striking out all after the word "provided" in said original Act, and inserting in lieu thereof the words following, to wit, "That any such free negro or free mulatto coming into Kent or Sussex Counties, from New Castle County, shall be subject to the laws already in existence in reference to no resident free negroes and free mulattoes."

"Provided that nothing herein contained shall deprive any free negro or free mulatto now resident in the State, of the right to remain there."

For concurrence.

Extract from the Journal,

J. L. PRATT,

Clerk of Senate.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had directed him to inquire for a certain paper—resolutions passed by the Legislature of Maine—which this

House had directed to be sent into the Senate, but which had not been received.

And he withdrew.

Mr. Higgins moved,

That the amendment of the Senate to the bill in relation to free negroes and free mulattoes, be concurred in,

Pending which motion,

Mr. J. A. Moore moved,

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow.

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Rickards,

The bill entitled "An Act to enable Elijah W. Carey and Asbury C. Pepper, to locate certain vacant lands in Dagsborough Hundred, in Sussex County, and to complete their title to the same,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs and

Passed the House.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Betts offered the following resolution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and

Adopted.

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be granted to Dr. Parrish of Pennsylvania, this evening at 8½ o'clock, for the purpose of addressing the members of the General Assembly upon the subject of Training Feeble-Minded Children.

On motion of Mr. Appleton;

The joint resolution from the Senate for the appointment of Bank Directors on the part of the State,

Was taken up for consideration,

And read,

When,

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

The further consideration of said resolution was postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. Clements from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Moses Rash and others, asked for, and,

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

Was allowed further time to report.

Mr. J. A. Moore 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 Felton, and for other purposes."

Mr. Cochran presented the petition of Charles Tatman Jr., and others, praying the passage of an Act to incorporate the town of Middletown,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to a committee of three, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Cochran, Broadaway and Waples, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Robinson presented the petition of Manaen B. Marvel and others, praying the passage of an Act to open a drain or channel between Rehoboth Bay and Indian River,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to a committee of three with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Robinson, Broadaway and Churchman, were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage tie existing between James E. Carswell and Emeline his wife,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Chandler moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage tie existing between E. D. Lynch and Mary his wife,"

Be read a third time by paragraphs with a view to pass the House,

The House being divided upon said motion,

Mr. Betts called the yeas and nays thereon.

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Boyce, Clements, Collins, Davis, Phillips, Rickards—6.

Nays—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Broadaway, Calhoun, Chandler, Churchman, Cochran, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Robinson, Virden, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—14.

So the motion to read a third time was

Lost.

And the bill was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 30, 1861, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had elected John B. Pennington, Esquire, as their Clerk, *pro-tempore*, and that any communication by him to this House from that body, would be by authority.

And he withdrew.

Mr. Appleton from the Committee on the State of the Union, on the part of the majority of said committee reported the following resolutions,

Which,

On his motion;

Were read.

WHEREAS, The State of Virginia has recommended the holding of a Convention of Delegates from all the States of the Union, at the City of Washington, on the fourth day of February next, for the purpose of taking into consideration and perfecting some plan of adjusting the matters of controversy now so unhappily subsisting in the family of States, and has appointed five Commissioners to represent the people of that Commonwealth in said Convention, and

WHEREAS, The people of the State of Delaware regard the preservation of the Union as paramount to any political consideration; and are fixed in their determination that Delaware, the first to adopt the Federal Constitution, will be the last to do any act tending to destroy the integrity of the Union; therefore,

Be it Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware, in General Assembly met, That the Hon. George B. Rodney, Daniel M. Bates, Esq., Dr. Henry Ridgely, Hon. John W. Houston, and William Cannon, Esq., be, and they are hereby

appointed Commissioners on behalf of the State of Delaware, to represent the people of said State in the Convention to be held at Washington, on the fourth day of February next.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this General Assembly, the people of Delaware are thoroughly devoted to the perpetuity of the Union, and that the Commissioners appointed by the foregoing resolution are expected to emulate the example set by the immortal patriots who framed the Federal Constitution, by sacrificing all minor considerations upon the altar of the Union.

Resolved further, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to furnish a copy of the above preamble and resolutions to each of the Commissioners herein, and hereby appointed, duly attested under the great seal of the State.

Resolved further, That immediately upon the adoption of the foregoing preamble and resolutions, it shall be the duty of the Clerk of the House to transmit to the Secretary of State a copy thereof, certified by him, and when the Secretary of State shall have received said copy so certified, it shall be evidence that said preamble and resolutions were duly adopted by this General Assembly.

Mr. Appleton moved,

That the resolutions be adopted,

The question being upon said motion,

And the House being divided,

Mr. Churchman called the yeas and nays,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—Messrs. Collins, Robinson—2.

So the resolutions were

Adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Waples from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Dr. William Harris and others, praying the division of Broadkill Hundred, asked for, and,

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

Was allowed further time to report.

Mr. J. A. Moore in pursuance of notice previously given, asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate a Bank in Smyrna under the name of the Citizens Bank of Smyrna,'"

Which,

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Higgins gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Delaware and Chesapeake Steamboat Navigation Company."

Pursuant to notice,

Mr. Clements asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act in relation to the town of Dover,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Clements,

Was read.

Mr. Pennington, Clerk *pro tem.* of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the "Joint Resolution appointing Commissioners."

And he withdrew.

Mr. Betts, pursuant to previous notice, asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act concerning the payment of promissory notes, checks and bills of exchange.'" "

Which,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was read.

Mr. Robinson moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to amend the Act entitled 'An Act regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors,' passed at Dover March 3, 1857,"

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

Pending which motion,

Mr. Chandler moved,

That the consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Cochran offered a "Joint Resolution directing the payment of certain money to John Jones and the Executrix of William Chandler, deceased,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Betts from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the petition of members of the Delaware Rifle Company,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the 'Delaware Rifle Company of Wilmington,'"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Betts from the Committee to whom was referred the petition of G. W. Bush and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act for the suppression of vagrancy,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and

On his further motion,

Five hundred copies of said bill were ordered to be printed for the use of the General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The House adjourned.



EODEM DIE, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

The bill entitled "A further supplement to an Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Wilmington, under the name of the Mechanics Bank,'"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Higgins,

The bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 89, section 25, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Chandler presented the petition of John Miller and others, citizens of New Castle County, praying the passage of An Act calling a Convention to alter or amend the Constitution of the State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the Committee already raised upon the subject.

Mr. J. A. Moore presented a similar petition from Edward Riley and others, citizens of Kent County,

Which,

On his motion,

Was also referred to the committee already raised upon the subject.

Mr. Rickards moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act concerning Public Roads in Sussex County,"

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

Mr. Pennington, Clerk *pro tem.* of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the bill entitled "An Act further to amend the Act entitled 'An Act for the encouragement of Internal Improvements in the State of Delaware.'"

Also, that they had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 99 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware."

Also, that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the bill entitled "An Act to re-enact the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Sisters of Charity of St. Peter's School and to grant to said Corporation certain lands in Mill Creek Hundred.'"

Also, that they had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Dover Gas Light Company."

And that they had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate Shawnee Tribe, No. 5, Improved Order of Red Men, Smyrna, Delaware."

Also, that the Senate had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the 'Delaware Mechanics Building Association of Wilmington, Delaware,'"

Also, that they had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "An Act to enable Peter R. Hudson to locate certain vacant lands in Baltimore Hundred, Sussex County, and to complete his title to the same."

He also presented to the House a communication received by the Senate from His Excellency the Governor, through the Secretary of State, with the request that the same should be transmitted to the House.

And he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The further consideration of the bill entitled "An Act concerning Public Roads in Sussex County,"

Was postponed until this day week, the 6th of February.

Mr. Appleton presented the petition of R. W. Mulford and others, praying the passage of an Act extending the criminal jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the committee already raised upon the subject.

Mr. Higgins presented the petition of John Appleton and others, also praying the passage of an Act to extend the criminal jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the committee already raised upon the subject.

Mr. Chandler gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 111 of the Revised Statutes."

Pursuant to notice,

Mr. Rickards asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act authorizing the making of certain indexes to the records of the Superior Court in Sussex County,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Rickards,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Rickards the bill entitled "An Act concerning the town of Milford,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. J. A. Moore presented the petition of H. F. Askew and others, physicians of Wilmington, praying the Legislature to appoint a committee to visit the Living Home, an institution lately built by Dr. John A. Brown, well calculated for the treatment of the idiotic and insane, and asking an appropriation to extend to persons in our Alms Houses, so affected, the benefits to be derived from the accommodations in said Institution.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The petition was read, and referred to a committee of three, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. J. A. Moore, Churchman and Betts, were appointed said committee.

In pursuance of notice previously given,

Mr. Broadaway asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to

authorize the Recorder of Deeds in and for Kent County, to transcribe Marriage Record, and to make a direct Index thereto,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Broadway,

Was read.

Mr. Appleton from the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Joint Resolution directing the payment of certain money to John Jones and the executrix, of William Chandler, deceased,

Reported back said resolution to the House,

And moved that it be adopted,

When,

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The further consideration of said resolution was postponed until Friday morning next.

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

The bill entitled "An Act dividing Brandywine Hundred into two Election Districts,

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Betts from the committee to whom was referred the petition of L. P. Bush and others, in reference to a grave yard in the city of Wilmington,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act prohibiting burials in the grave yard of the African Union Church in the city of Wilmington,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Betts from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred the petition of E. Spruance and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Clayton and Smyrna Railroad Company,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Rickards from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Clyde and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to authorize and empower the Levy Court of New Castle County to erect a Pivot Bridge or Draw Bridge over Christiana Creek in New Castle County,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The further consideration thereof postponed until Tuesday next.

And the Clerk was directed to cause two hundred copies of said bill to be printed, for the use of this General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

Five hundred copies of the "Joint resolutions appointing Commissioners," adopted this morning, were directed to be printed for the use of the Senate and House.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Morocco Dressers Union of Friendship and Benevolence, of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Virden gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate Felton Lodge, No. 30, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of the State of Delaware, at Felton."

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill, entitled "An Act to repeal an Act entitled 'An Act for the relief of certain free negroes and free mulattoes,'"

Was taken up for consideration,

And, with the Senate amendments thereto,

Was read.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the House do not concur in the amendments of the Senate,
Pending which motion,

Mr. Appleton moved,

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow.

Which motion was

Lost.

The question recurring upon the original motion,

And the House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Collins, Davis, J. A. Moore, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—15.

Nays—Messrs. Appleton, Boyce, Cochran, Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips—6.

So the House refused to concur in the amendments of the Senate.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The "Joint Resolution appointing Bank Directors on the part of the State,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And read.

Mr. Betts moved that the House concur in the resolution.

Mr. Churchman moved,

That the resolution be amended by striking out the name of "Elihu Jefferson" and inserting in lieu thereof "James Crippin."

Pending the motion to amend,

Mr. Chandler moved,

That the further consideration of said resolutions be postponed until to-morrow.

The House being divided upon the question,

Mr. Churchman called the yeas and nays,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Clements, Coehran, Collins, Davis, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, C. William—son—12.

Nays—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Churchman, Higgins, J. A. Moore Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Waples, Mr. Speaker—9.

So the motion to postpone

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Boyce,

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, *January 31, 1861, 10 o'clock, A. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion Mr. Churchman,

The communication from the Governor, through the Senate, by their Clerk,

Was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Robinson;

Referred to the Committee on the State of the Union.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The "Joint Resolution" of the Senate in reference to an adjournment,

Was taken up for consideration,

And read,

Mr. J. A. Moore moved,

That said resolution be "non concurred in,"

Which motion *Prevailed.*

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The "Joint Resolution appointing Bank Directors on the part of the State,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And read,

Mr. Churchman asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Had leave to withdraw the amendment to said resolution offered by him yesterday.

Mr. Waples moved,

That the "Joint Resolution" be amended by striking out the name of "James Ponder" and inserting in lieu thereof, "William P. Orr."

Which motion *Prevailed.*

The question then recurring to the motion of Mr. Betts to "concur" in said resolution,

The motion *Prevailed.*

And the resolution was *Concurred in,*

With the amendment.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. J. A. Moore from the committee to whom was referred the petition of E. Spruance and others,

Reported a bill, entitled "An Act to change the name of the place called Smyrna Station,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Churchman from the Committee on Enrollment,

Reported the following bills to be correctly enrolled :

"An Act to incorporate the Union Hotel Company,"

"An Act authorizing the laying out a public road in Kent County."

Mr. Robinson presented the remonstrance of Nehemiah Dorman, President of the Levy Court of Sussex County, and others, against the repeal of the Act entitled "An Act to amend chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, concerning roads and bridges," passed at Dover March 5, 1857,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Pursuant to notice,

Mr. Higgins asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Cochran,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Delaware and Chesapeake Steamboat Navigation Company,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Cochran moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act further to amend the Act entitled An Act to amend the Act entitled "A Supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadow, marsh and cripple lying on both sides of Silver Run, fronting the river Delaware, effectually to embank and drain the same, and keep the banks, dams, sluices, canals and drains in repair, and to raise a fund to defray the expenses thereof,'"

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

The first section being read,

And the question being upon the adoption of said first section,

The House being divided thereon,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Collins, J. A. Moore—2.

Nays—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadway, Calhoun, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Davis, Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—19.

So section 1 of the bill was *Lost.*

And the bill was *Lost.*

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, presented an extract from the Journal of the Senate.

And he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The extract from the Journal of the Senate,

Was read, as follows:

"Senate, January 31, 1861.

On motion of Mr. McFerran, the Senate refused to recede from its amendments to the bill from the House in regard to free negroes and mulattoes; and, on his further motion, asked a committee of

Conference, and Mr. McFerran and Mr. Polk were appointed on the part of the Senate to meet such committee as the House may appoint."

Extract from Journal,

J. L. PRATT,

Clerk of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

A committee of three as a committee of conference on the part of the House, was appointed to confer with the Senate committee upon the subject of disagreement between the two Houses on the bill in reference to certain free negroes and free mulattoes.

Committee—Messrs. J. A. Moore, Chandler and Appleton.

Mr. J. A. Moore presented the claim of Edward Ridgely against the State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. J. A. Moore also presented the bill of William A. Atkinson against the State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Churchman moved,

The bill entitled "A further supplement to an Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Wilmington, under the name of the Mechanics Bank,' passed at Dover February 14, 1855,"

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

Which motion

Prevailed.

Upon the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered.

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. J. A. Moore moved,

That the House adjourn,

Which motion was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to divorce Frank Stewart and Annie Elmira his wife from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Betts gave notice that to-morrow, or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "A further supplement to the Act to incorporate the owners and possessors of a certain tract of meadow, marsh and cripple, known by the name of the Brandywine Marsh, in the borough of Wilmington and County of New Castle."

Mr. Betts, from the committee appointed under the resolution of inquiry in reference to lotteries, asked for, and,

On motion of Mr. Waples,

Was allowed further time to report.

Mr. Betts from the committee to whom was referred the communication of Thomas Clyde asked for, and,

On motion of Mr. Waples,

Was allowed further time to report.

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act further to amend the Act entitled 'An Act for the encouragement of Internal Improvements in the State of Delaware,'"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

The House adjourned.

EODEM DIE, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Edward Ridgely, Esq., Secretary of State, being admitted, presented copies of resolutions passed by the Legislatures of Georgia and Wisconsin, the same having been received by His Excellency the Governor, and requested on the part of the Governor that, as the papers presented were the only copies of said resolutions forwarded to him, this House would, after acting upon the same, cause them to be transmitted to the Senate.

And he withdrew.

Mr. Cochran from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles Tatman, Jr.,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Middletown,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Rickards,

The bill entitled "An Act authorizing the making of certain indexes to the records of the Superior Court in Sussex County,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The communications from the Governor by the Secretary of State,

Were read, and referred to the Committee on the State of the Union.

[See Appendix, papers marked I and J.]

Mr. Chandler gave notice that on to-morrow, or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 15, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware."

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 103 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs and

Passed the House.

Mr. Higgins moved,

That the bill, entitled "An Act to amend chapter 89, section 25, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

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

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had adopted a "Joint Resolution for the purpose of selling certain State property," and requested the concurrence of the House in said resolution.

Also, that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence

of the House in the bill entitled "An Act authorizing the Prothonotary of Kent County to transcribe certain Indices."

And that the Senate had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "An Act to revive the Act entitled 'An Act to enable Ezekiel Timmons to locate certain vacant lands situate in Broad Creek Hundred in the County of Sussex, and to complete his title to the same.'"

Also, that the Senate had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the members of the Fame Hose Company of the city of Wilmington."

Also, that the Senate had concurred in the adoption of the "Joint Resolution for the relief of the School Convention of New Castle County."

And that the Senate had "non concurred" in the amendments of the House to the "Joint Resolution appointing Bank Directors on the part of the State," and had appointed Messrs. McFerran and Gemmill, a committee of conference, on the part of the Senate, to meet such committee as may be appointed on the part of the House, in relation to the disagreement of the two Houses concerning the amendment to said resolution.

And he withdrew.

Mr. Robinson offered the following amendment to section 1 of the bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 89, section 25, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

And moved its adoption.

"Amend the bill by inserting in the last line of section 1, between the word 'sickness' and the word 'and,' the words 'provided such last sickness shall not exceed six months.'"

Mr. Betts moved,

That said amendment be amended by striking out the word "six" therein, and inserting "three" in lieu thereof.

Which motion

Prevailed.

The question being upon the adoption of the amendment as amended,

The Speaker decided that according to the provisions of Rule 15 of the House, a two-thirds vote was necessary to amend the bill, it being upon its third reading.

Mr. Waples appealed from the decision of the Speaker,

When,

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The appeal was

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The further consideration of the bill was postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. Rickards from the committee to whom was referred the petition of C. S. Layton and others, Directors of the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company,

Reported a bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company,'"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The Joint Resolution for the purpose of selling certain State property,

Was read, and

Concurred in.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. J. A. Moore moved,

That a committee of conference, to consist of three members, be appointed to act with the committee appointed by the Senate in relation to the disagreement between the two Houses concerning the amendment to the resolution appointing Bank Directors,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Whereupon,

Messrs. J. A. Moore, Waples and Appleton, were appointed said committee.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The bill entitled "An Act to authorize the Recorder of Deeds in and for Kent County, to transcribe Marriage Record, and to make a direct Index thereto,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Clements,

The bill entitled "An Act in relation to the town of Dover,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. C. Williamson gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act concerning free negroes and mulattoes imprisoned for debt."

Mr. Betts from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate a Bank in Smyrna, under the name of the Citizens Bank of Smyrna,'"

Reported back said bill to the House with an amendment, the adoption of which was recommended.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The amendment was read, as follows :

"Amend the bill by adding the following at the end of section 7, viz :

It shall not be lawful to re-elect more than six of the Directors at any election who may have served during the year next preceding said election."

And, on his further motion,

Adopted.

The bill was then,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Read a second time by its title.

Mr. Clements presented the petition of John D. Voshell and others, praying the passage of "An Act for the benefit of free schools in the State of Delaware,"

Which,

On his motion,

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

Mr. Betts presented the petition of Samuel Hilles and others, the President and managers of the Wilmington and Philadelphia Turnpike Company, praying the passage of a supplement to their Charter,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

Referred to the committee on Roads and Highways, with leave to said committee to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Phillips from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Burton W. Lockwood,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act allowing an additional Constable in the County of Sussex,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Calhoun gave notice that he would, to-morrow, or some future day, offer a Joint Resolution appointing certain persons a committee to procure a monument for Ex-Governor Joseph Hazlett, deceased.

Mr. Waples presented the petition of George Walls and others, praying the repeal of the Act entitled "An Act to amend chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, concerning roads and bridges,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Clements presented the petition of Preston Bedwell and

others, praying the passage of an Act to prevent free negroes or free mulattoes from holding or owning any real estate in this State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the committee already raised upon that subject.

Mr. Cochran also presented the similar petition of William R. George and others,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

Referred to the committee raised upon the subject.

Pursuant to notice,

Mr. Moore asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Felton, and for other purposes,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Waples moved,

That the consideration of the bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company,'" "

Be postponed until Thursday next, and that the Clerk be directed to cause two hundred copies of the bill to be printed for the use of the Senate and House.

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Chandler moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to divorce Ernest Egbert and Susan E., his wife, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Be read a third time in order to pass the House,

Which motion

Prevailed.

The question being upon the passage of section 1 of the bill,

And the House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Boyce, Collins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Rickards, Virden—6.

Nays—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Broadaway, Calhoun, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Davis, Phillips, Robinson, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—14.

So section 1 of the bill was

Lost.

And the bill was

Lost.

Mr. Betts from the committee to whom was referred the memorial of L. P. Bush and other physicians, a committee from the National Medical Association and the State Medical Society,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths."

Mr. Betts moved,

That the bill be read,

Which motion was

Lost.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the House do now adjourn until seven o'clock this evening,

Which motion was

Lost.

Mr. Betts offered the following resolution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and

Adopted.

Resolved, That the Clerk be directed to purchase for the use of the House, an unabridged copy of Worcester's Dictionary.

On motion of Mr. Boyce,

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 1, 1861, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Waples moved,

That the vote of the House, had yesterday, by which the bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company,'" was postponed, and two hundred copies of said bill ordered to be printed,

Be reconsidered,

Which motion

Prevailed.

The question then being taken upon the motion to postpone and print said bill,

It was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The bill was then taken up for consideration,

Mr. Waples offered the following amendment to said bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and

Adopted.

"SECTION 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the money already appropriated for the construction of a Railroad from Harrington to the town of Lewes, shall not be used in or towards the construction of said branch Railroad from Georgetown to the South line of this State as aforesaid; but such branch Railroad shall be constructed by and out of future subscriptions to the capital stock, and appropriations hereafter to be made to the use of said the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company."

On the further motion of Mr. Waples,

The bill was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Churchman moved,

That the vote by which the House yesterday refused to read the bill entitled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths,"

Be reconsidered,

Which motion

Prevailed.

The further consideration of the motion to read said bill, was then,

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

Postponed until this afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Rickards,

The bill entitled "An Act authorizing the making of certain indexes to the records of the Superior Court in Sussex County,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. J. A. Moore moved,

That the bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate a Bank in Smyrna under the name of the Citizens Bank of Smyrna,'" "

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

Which motion *Prevailed.*

The question being,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered thereon,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Rickards from the Committee on Roads and Highways to whom was referred the bill entitled "An Act to authorize Charles Jester to erect a gate across a public road in Kent County," -

Reported back said bill to the House without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On his motion,

The bill was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Morocco Dressers Union of Friendship and Benevolence, of Wilmington, Delaware,"

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

Which motion *Prevailed.*

On the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the Constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Clements from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Moses Rash and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the St. Jones' Branch Ditch Company,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Rickards from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of John Booth and others, asked for, and,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was allowed further time to report.

Also, on motion of Mr. Betts,

Application for the same having been made by Mr. Rickards of the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of Levi W. Lattomus and others,

Further time was allowed said committee to make report.

Mr. J. A. Moore moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 89, section 25, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Be taken up for consideration,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Robinson asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Had leave to withdraw the amendment offered by him yesterday to said bill.

The bill, then,

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to repeal the Act entitled 'An Act entitled An Act to amend chapter 111 of the Revised Code,' "

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Betts gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act authorizing the Mayor and Council of Wilmington to borrow the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, for the purposes therein mentioned."

Also, a bill entitled "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Wilmington."

Also, a bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 73 of the Revised Code, entitled 'Of the city of Wilmington.' "

Also, a bill entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to amend the Charter of the city of Wilmington.' "

Also, a bill entitled "An Act for the improvement of the naviga-

tion of the Brandywine and Christiana Creeks within the limits of the city of Wilmington."

Also, a bill entitled "An Act to repeal an Act therein mentioned, and to vacate Fifteenth street, between Market and Tatnall streets, in the city of Wilmington."

Also, a bill entitled "A further supplement to the Act for the benefit of Public Schools in the city of Wilmington."

Also, a bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate a Bank in Milford, under the name of the President, Directors and Company of the Farmers and Mechanics Bank of Milford,' passed at Dover February 25, 1859."

Also, a bill entitled "An Act to prevent the introduction into the State of Foreign Lottery Tickets and Lottery Schemes."

Mr. Betts from the Committee of Inquiry in reference to Lotteries, submitted the following report:

The Special Committee appointed to ascertain certain facts about the Lottery system in this State, beg leave to report in response to the 4th Resolution: That the policy business is of such an infamous character that it should be suppressed at once. They report a bill which they believe well calculated to put an end to it, and recommend its passage by the House at an early day.

The bill reported by Mr. Betts, on the part of the Committee of Inquiry in reference to Lotteries, and referred to in their report, was entitled, "An Act concerning Lottery Policies,"

Which bill,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was read.

Pursuant to notice,

Mr. Chandler asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Cochran,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

Was read.

Mr. Betts presented the petition of Charles W. Stimmel and others, praying the passage of an Act to call a Convention to amend the present Constitution of the State or frame a new one,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the committee already raised upon the subject.

Mr. Appleton presented the petition of Levi G. Cooch, and others, praying the passage of an Act to change the time of moving in New Castle County from the twenty-fifth to the first of March,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to a committee of three with leave to report by bill or otherwise :

Whereupon,

Messrs. Appleton, Higgins and Churchman, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Churchman from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following bill as correctly enrolled :

“An Act authorizing Mary A. Biggs to convey certain Real Estate.”

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

On motion of Mr. Waples,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled “A further supplement to the Act to incorporate the owners and possessors of a certain tract of meadow, marsh and cripple, known by the name of the Brandywine Marsh, in the borough of Wilmington and County of New Castle.”

Which,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was read.

Mr. Virden presented the petition of Nathaniel P. Luff and others, praying the passage of an Act to lay out a road from Felton to Canterbury,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The "Joint Resolution directing the payment of certain money to John Jones and the Executrix of William Chandler, deceased,"

Was taken up for consideration, and,

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

Was further postponed until Thursday next the 7th inst.

Mr. Betts presented the claim of Edward Ridgely, Secretary of State, against this House,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Accounts.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act prohibiting burials in the grave yard of the African Union Church in the city of Wilmington,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Also, on motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act concerning the payment of promissory notes, checks and bills of exchange,'"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Clements presented the petition of Jesse W. Jones and others, praying the passage of a law to prevent free negroes and free mulattoes from holding or owning any real estate in this State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the committee already raised upon the subject.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the 'Delaware Rifle Company, of Wilmington,'"

Be read a second time by its title,

Which motion

Prevailed.

And the bill was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The bill, entitled "An Act to change the name of the place called 'Smyrna Station,'"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Betts presented the petition of John N. Robinson, and over one hundred others, praying for the passage of an Act for the prevention or punishment of vagrancy,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion Mr. Churchman,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 99 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act to amend the Act entitled 'An Act for the encouragement of Internal Improvements in the State of Delaware,'"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Felton, and for other purposes,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act to re-enact the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Sisters of Charity of St. Peter's School; and to grant to said corporation certain lands in Mill Creek Hundred,'"

Was read.

Pursuant to previous notice,

Mr. Virden asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate 'Felton Lodge, No. 30, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of the State of Delaware, at Felton, Del.,'"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Virden,

Was read, and

On his further motion,

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Cochran,

The bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Middletown,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The House adjourned until two o'clock this afternoon.

EODEM DIE, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Phillips presented the petition of Burton J. Wingate and over forty others;

Also, the petition of Caleb Brenier and twenty-six others, praying the passage of an Act to change the voting place in Dagsborough Hundred from the place where it is now held to the School House at Phillips' Hill,

Which,

On his motion;

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Elections, with leave to said committee to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to provide for the Registrations of Births, Marriages and Deaths."

Be taken up for consideration,

Which motion

Prevailed.

And,

On his further motion,

The bill,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Betts;

Three hundred copies of said bill were ordered to be printed for the use of the General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act to incorporate 'The Dover Gas Light Company,'"

Was taken up for consideration,

And read.

On motion of Mr. Phillips,

The bill entitled "An Act allowing an additional Constable in the County of Sussex,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Broadaway presented the petition of David J. Murphy and others, praying an alteration in the law in reference to the sale of intoxicating liquors,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to a committee of three with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Broadaway, Appleton and Rickards, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Chandler moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage tie existing between Nicholas W. Adams and Louisa, his wife,"

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

When,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The further consideration of said bill was postponed until Tuesday next.

Mr. Clements presented the petition of Alexander Jackson, Jr., and others, praying the passage of an additional Act in reference to free schools,

Which,

On motion of Mr. Clements,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Education, with leave to said committee to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Virden from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John B. Conner and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act allowing an additional Constable in Murderkill Hundred in Kent County,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the 'Dover Gas Light Company,'"

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

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

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 111 of the Revised Statutes,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

The House adjourned until three o'clock on Monday afternoon.

MONDAY, *February 4, 1861, 3 o'clock, P. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment:

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Edward Ridgely, Esq., Secretary of State, being admitted, presented to the House certain resolutions received by His Excellency the Governor from the States of New Jersey, Minnesota and Kentucky, in reference to the State of the Union, with the request of the Governor that, as he had but a single copy of the said resolutions, the House after considering them would cause them to be transmitted to the Senate.

And he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Waples;

The communications from the Governor;

Were read, and;

On motion of Mr. Chandler;

Referred to the Committee on the State of the Union.

[See Appendix, papers marked K, L and M.]

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Clayton and Smyrna Railroad Company,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Pursuant to notice,

Mr. Betts asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Higgins,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to prevent the introduction into this State of foreign Lottery Tickets and Lottery Schemes,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was read:

Also, pursuant to notice,

Mr. Betts asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "A further supplement to the Act for the benefit of public schools in the city of Wilmington,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was read.

Mr. J. A. Moore presented the petition of George Davis and others, Directors of the Bank of Smyrna, praying the appointment of a Notary Public for their office in Milford,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to a committee of three, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. J. A. Moore, Higgins and Waples, were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Clements,

The bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the St. Jones' Branch Ditch Company,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "A further supplement to the Act for the benefit of public schools in the city of Wilmington,"

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Betts, pursuant to notice, asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to repeal an Act therein mentioned, and to vacate Fifteenth street, in the city of Wilmington,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was read.

Also, in pursuance of previous notice,

Mr. Betts asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act for the improvement of the navigation of the Christiana and Brandywine Creeks within the limits of the city of Wilmington,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was read, and,

On his further motion,

The Clerk was directed to cause two hundred copies of said bill to be printed for the use of the General Assembly.

On motion Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 111 of the Revised Statutes,"

Was read a second time by its title.

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

On motion of Mr. Higgins,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to amend the Charter of the city of Wilmington,'"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was read.

Mr. Betts further, in pursuance of notice, asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 73 of the Revised Code, entitled 'of the city of Wilmington,'"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was read, and,

On his further motion,

Two hundred copies of said bill were ordered to be printed for the use of the General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage tie existing between Isaac S. Elder and Mary C., his wife,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 99 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Pursuant to previous notice,

Mr. Betts asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act authorizing

"The Mayor and Council of Wilmington to borrow the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for the purposes therein mentioned,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act authorizing the Prothonotary of Kent County to transcribe certain Indices,"

Was read.

Pursuant to notice,

Mr. Betts asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate a Bank in Milford, under the name of the President, Directors and Company of the Farmers and Mechanics Bank of Milford,' passed at Dover February 25, 1859."

Which,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was read, and,

On his further motion,

Referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Chandler presented the petition of Mary Ann Martine, for divorce,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Divorces, with leave to said Committee to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Betts presented the petition of L. Scott and D. M. Bates, the President and Secretary of the Wesleyan Female College, praying for a supplement to the charter of that Institution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Corporations, with leave to said committee to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Betts gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate Good Intent Division, No. 3, Sons of Temperance."

Mr. Betts presented the petition of William B. Hyland and others, praying the passage of An Act to incorporate Delaware Council, No. 2, Order of United American Mechanics, of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Corporations, with leave to said committee to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Betts, pursuant to previous notice, asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Wilmington,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and,

On his further motion,

The Clerk was directed to cause two hundred copies of said bill to be printed for the use of the General Assembly.

Mr. Chandler moved,

That the bill to divorce J. M. Roberts and wife,

Be read a third time in order to pass the House,

When,

Application for the same having been made,

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

Mr. Chandler was allowed to withdraw his motion to read said bill.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act concerning Lottery Policies,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Higgins,

The House adjourned.

JAY, February 5, 1861, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. J. A. Moore moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Clayton and Smyrna Railroad Company,"

Be read a third time in order to pass the House.

Which motion

Prevailed.

The question being,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered thereon,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the Constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Robinson from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following bill as duly and correctly enrolled :

"An Act to incorporate the Appoquinimink and Maryland Railroad Company."

Mr. Waples from the Committee on Elections, to whom was referred the petitions of Burton J. Wingate and others, and Caleb Brimer and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to change the place of holding elections in Dagsborough Hundred, in Sussex County,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Broadaway,

The bill entitled "An Act to authorize the Recorder of Deeds in and for Kent County, to transcribe Marriage Record, and to make a direct Index thereto,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Waples presented the petition of John Sharp, William F. Jones, and others, praying the passage of an Act to lay out a new public road in Sussex County,

Which,

On his motion,

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

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The bill, entitled "An Act to change the name of the place called 'Smyrna Station,'"

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Robinson from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Manaen B. Marvel and others, asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Clements,

Was allowed further time to report.

Mr. Clements moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act in relation to the town of Dover,"

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

When,

Mr. Clements having made application for the same,

He was,

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

Allowed to withdraw said motion to read the bill.

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act further to amend the Act entitled 'An Act for the encouragement of Internal Improvements in the State of Delaware,'"

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Rickards from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of John Booth, Jr., and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act appointing commissioners to lay out a public road,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Betts from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate 'Felton Lodge,' No. 30, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of the State of Delaware, at Felton,"

Reported back said bill to the House with an amendment,

Which amendment,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows ::

"Amend section 5 by adding to the end thereof, as follows ::

"And that the power of revocation is hereby reserved to the Legislature."

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The amendment was

Adopted.

And,

On his further motion,

The bill was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Robinson presented the bill of C. P. Johnson against the State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Betts, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Dover Gas Light Company,"

Reported back said bill to the House with an amendment.

On his motion the amendment

Was read, and

Adopted.

It is as follows:

"Amend by inserting in the 3d line of Section 1, after the word 'met,' the following words: 'two-thirds of each branch concurring therein.'"

On the further motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Betts, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the petition of L. Scott and D. M. Bates,

Reported a bill entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Wesleyan Female Collegiate Institute,'"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Betts, from the committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the petition of William B. Hyland and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate Delaware Council No. 2, Order of United American Mechanics, of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

The bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Clements,

The bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the St. Jones' Branch Ditch Company,"

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

The same having been first amended by striking out the word "eight" in the second line of section 6, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five."

Upon the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

The bill entitled "An Act to authorize and empower the Levy Court of New Castle County to erect a Pivot Bridge or Draw Bridge over Christiana Creek in New Castle County,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Phillips gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to repeal sections 1, 2, 3 and 4, of chapter 80, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware."

Pursuant to previous notice,

Mr. Betts asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate Good Intent Division, No. 3, Sons of Temperance,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate; being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate Triple Link Lodge, No. 31, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Frederica, Delaware," had amended the same and requested the concurrence of the House in the said amendment.

Also, that the Senate had passed, and requested the concurrence of the House in the bill entitled "An Act to divide North West Fork Hundred into two election districts."

And he withdrew.

Mr. Cochran presented the petition of William Wilson, Nathaniel Williams, and over seventy others, praying the repeal of an Act in relation to public roads in St. Georges' and Appoquinimink Hundreds,

Which,

On his motion,

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

Pursuant to notice given,

Mr. Calhoun offered a "Joint Resolution appointing certain persons to procure a monument for Ex-Governor Joseph Hazlett, deceased,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The Resolution was referred to the Committee on Finance; who were also directed to report upon the propriety of making an appropriation to erect monuments over the remains of two other of Delaware's distinguished sons, namely, Commodore Jacob Jones, of the U. S. Navy, and Dr. James Tilton, Surgeon General U. S. Army, now lying in the Wilmington and Brandywine Cemetery.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act concerning the payment of promissory notes, checks and bills of exchange,'" .

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Rickards moved,

That the Senate bill entitled "An Act authorizing Charles Jester to erect a gate across a public road in Kent County,"

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

Which motion *Prevailed.*

The question being upon the motion to adopt section 1 of said bill,

It was *Lost.*

So section 1 of the bill was *Lost.*

And the bill was *Lost.*

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act prohibiting burials in the grave yard of the African Union Church in the city of Wilmington,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Cochran presented the petition of Charles Foster and others, praying the passage of a Lien Law; and also praying the passage of an Act giving to Justices of the Peace jurisdiction in cases of Replevin,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to a committee of three with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Cochran, Broadway and Phillips, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Betts presented the petition of G. W. Houseman and over seventy others, praying the passage of a Lien Law,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the committee last raised.

Mr. Waples presented the petition of George Torbert and over fifty others, praying the passage of a Lien Law,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the committee already raised upon the subject.

On motion of Mr. Higgins,

The House adjourned.

EODEM DIE, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

The bill entitled "An Act dividing Brandywine Hundred into two election districts,"

Was taken up for consideration,

Mr. Churchman offered the following amendments to said bill,

"Amend section 1 of the bill by inserting after the word "creek" in the seventeenth line, "road;" further amend the bill by striking out after the word "line" in the eighteenth line, "running" between the dwelling houses of one L. L. Talley and J. Talley to the dividing line between the States of Delaware and Pennsylvania," and insert in lieu thereof "with the Grubb road until it strikes the Pennsylvania line."

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

The amendments were

Adopted.

And, on his further motion,

The bill was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. J. A. Moore from the committee to whom was referred the petition of G. Davis and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act authorizing the appointment of an additional Notary Public,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Pursuant to previous notice,

Mr. C. Williamson asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Clements,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act concerning free negroes and mulattoes imprisoned for debt."

Which,

On motion of Mr. C. Williamson,

Was read.

Mr. Clements from the committee to whom was referred the petitions praying for the call of a Convention to amend the Constitution or frame a new one,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act calling a Convention to abolish life tenures in office, and property qualifications for office, and to cause more of the public officers to be elected by the people; and also to effect such other amendments to the Constitution of this State, as may be necessary and proper,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Churchman from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following resolutions and bills as duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same to the Speaker for his signature, viz:

"Joint Resolution for the relief of the School Convention of New Castle County."

"Joint Resolution appointing Commissioners."

"An Act to incorporate Shawnee Tribe, No. 5, Improved Order of Red Men, Smyrna, Delaware."

"An Act to revive the Act entitled 'An Act to enable Ezekiel Timmons to locate certain vacant lands situate in Broad Creek Hundred in the County of Sussex, and to complete his title to the same,' passed at Dover February 23, 1859."

On motion of Mr. Phillips,

The bill entitled "An Act allowing an additional Constable in the County of Sussex,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Chandler moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to divorce James M. Roberts and Caroline, his wife, late Caroline Lee, from the bond of matrimony,"

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

Which motion

Prevailed.

Upon the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The House being divided,

Mr. Betts called the yeas and nays,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Betts, Broadaway, Calhoon, Clements, Collins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards—8.

Nays—Messrs. Appleton, Chandler, Churchman, Cochran, Davis, Higgins, John A. Moore, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—12.

So the bill was

Lost.

Mr. J. A. Moore presented the petition of H. N. Wickersham and others, praying an amendment to the Act incorporating the Duck Creek Improvement Co.,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Corporations, with leave to said committee to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Robinson presented the petition of John Phillips and others,

praying the passage of an Act to protect game in the Rehoboth Bay and Indian River,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to a committee of three with leave to report by bill or otherwise :

Whereupon,

Messrs. Robinson, Collins and Cochran, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Betts gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Artisan's Savings Bank."

Mr. Betts presented the petition of William Bush, George W. Bush and others, Trustees, praying the passage of an Act authorizing them to sell certain real estate,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to a committee of three, with leave to report by bill or otherwise,

Whereupon,

Messrs. Betts, Virden and Robinson, were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act to divide North West Fork Hundred into two election districts,"

Was read.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage tie existing between Nicholas W. Adams and Louisa his wife,"

Be taken up for consideration,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Whereupon,

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

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

The question being on the motion to adopt section I, of the bill,

It was

Lost.

And the bill was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "A further supplement to the Act to incorporate the owners and possessors of a certain tract of meadow, marsh and cripple, known by the name of the Brandywine Marsh, in the borough of Wilmington and County of New Castle,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the 'Delaware Rifle Company,'"

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

Which motion

Prevailed.

The question being,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Broadaway, Chandler, Cochran, Collins, Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Virden, Waples, Mr. Speaker—13.

Nays—Messrs. Calhoon, Churchman, Clements, Davis, Robinson, C. Williamson—6.

So the bill having failed to receive the Constitutional majority,

Was

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to prevent the introduction into this State of Foreign Lottery Tickets and Lottery Schemes,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage tie existing between Isaac S. Elder and Mary C., his wife,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act concerning Lottery Policies,"

Was taken up for consideration,

Mr. Betts offered the following amendment to said bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and

Adopted.

"Amend by striking out the last two lines of section 1, and adding in lieu thereof, the following :

"This Act shall not be deemed or taken to apply to the sale or disposal of any authorized lottery tickets whether the same be foreign or domestic, and whether such sale or disposal be by single tickets, packages or by certificates thereof: Provided that no authority is, or shall be deemed to be given by this Act to sell or dispose, in any manner whatsoever, of any ticket in any lottery not authorized by the laws of this State, unless the same would have been lawful without the passage thereof."

On the further motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Higgins,
The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, *February 6, 1861, 10 o'clock, A. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment..

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Robinson gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act for the benefit of the State of Delaware."

Mr. Churchman moved,

That the vote taken yesterday by which the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the Delaware Rifle Company," was lost,

Be reconsidered,

Which motion

Prevail.

The question recurring,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

And the House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered thereon :

Mr. J. A. Moore asked to be, and,

On motion of Mr. Appleton,

Was excused from voting upon the question,

The yeas and nays being taken,

Were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Broadaway, Chandler, Churchman, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—15.

Nays—Messrs. Boyce, Calhoon, Clements, Robinson, Virden—5.

So the bill having received the constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Chandler from the Committee on Divorces to whom was referred the petition of Mary Ann Martine,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to dissolve the marriage tie existing between John L. Martine and Mary Ann, his wife,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Appleton presented the petition of A. M. Vail and over forty others, praying the passage of an Act to amend the Act regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the committee heretofore raised upon the subject.

Mr. Collins gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to authorize the Trustee, under the will of John Ferris, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate therein devised."

Mr. Rickards from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of Nathaniel P. Luff, and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to lay out a public road from Felton to the road to Green's Chapel,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

The bill entitled "An Act to incorporate 'Triple Link Lodge, No. 31, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows,' Frederica, Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration, and the amendment of the Senate thereto, was read, as follows:

"In Senate February 1st, 1861.

"Amended by striking out section 5."

For concurrence.

An extract from the Journal,

J. L. PRATT,

Clerk of Senate.

Mr. Churchman moved,

That the amendment of the Senate to said bill,

Be concurred in,

The question being upon said motion,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, John A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the amendment was

Concurred in.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, presented the report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreement of the two Houses in relation to the appointment of Bank Directors, and informed the House that the Senate had adopted said report.

And he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The report of the Committee of Conference,
Was read.

Mr. J. A. Moore also moved,

That the report be adopted,

When,

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The further consideration of the subject was postponed until this afternoon.

Mr. Churchman moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 15, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Be read a third time by paragraphs in order to pass the House :

Which motion *Prevailed.*

The question being upon the adoption of section 1, of the bill,

And the House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Chandler, Churchman, Cochran, Davis, Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Waples, Williamson, Mr. Speaker—13.

Nays—Messrs. Boyce, Broadway, Calhoon, Clements, Collins, John A. Moore, Robinson, Virden—8.

So section 1, of the bill was *Adopted.*

Mr. McFerran, a member of the Senate, being admitted, informed

the House that the Senate had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "An Act authorizing the making of certain indexes to the records of the Superior Court in Sussex County,"

And he withdrew.

The bill to amend chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes having been read by paragraphs, and

Upon the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The House being, divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Chandler, Churchman, Coelhran, Davis, Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—13.

Nays—Messrs. Boyce, Broadway, Calhoon, Clements, Collins, J. A. Moore, Robinson, Virden—8.

So the bill *Passed the House.*

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Betts from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate Good Intent Division, No. 3, Sons of Temperance,"

Reported back said bill to the House without amendment,

When,

On his motion,

The bill was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Clements,

The bill entitled "An Act calling a Convention to abolish life tenures in office, and property qualifications for office, and to cause more of the public officers to be elected by the people; and also to effect such other amendments to the Constitution of this State, as may be necessary and proper,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. J. A. Moore moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Felton, and for other purposes,"

Be read a third time by paragraphs in order to pass the House,
Section 3, of said bill having been read,

Mr. Betts moved,

That Rule 15 of the House be suspended in order that said section may be amended.

The question being upon the motion to suspend,

And the House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Chandler, Churchman, Cochran, Collins, Higgins, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Waples, Mr. Speaker—13.

Nays—Messrs. Broadway, Calhoon, Clements, Davis, J. A. Moore, Robinson, Virden, C. Williamson—8.

So the motion to suspend Rule 15,

Was

Lost.

When,

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The further consideration of the bill was postponed until this afternoon.

Pursuant to notice,

Mr. Phillips asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to repeal sections 1, 2, 3 and 4, of chapter 80, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware."

Which,

On motion of Mr. Phillips,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Rickards,

The bill entitled "An Act appointing commissioners to lay out a public road,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Cochran moved,

That the Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Middleton,"

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

Which motion

Prevailed.

Upon the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Vir-den, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore.

The House adjourned.

EODEM DIE, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Felton, and for other purposes," postponed this morning,

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the passage of the bill entitled "A further supplement to an Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate a Bank in the city of Wilmington, under the name of the Mechanics Bank,' passed at Dover, February 14, 1855."

Also, that the Senate had passed, and requested the concurrence of the House in a bill entitled "An Act authorizing the making of General Indexes to the Record Books of the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware in and for Kent County, and the Orphan's Court of the State of Delaware, in and for Kent County."

He also returned the following enrolled bill, which had received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, viz: "An Act to incorporate the Union Hotel Company."

And presented sundry enrolled bills bill for the signature of the Speaker.

And he withdrew.

The question before the House being upon the adoption of section 3, of the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Felton, and for other purposes,"

And the House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Boyce, Broadway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—Messrs. Betts, Waples—2.

So section 3, of the bill was

Adopted.

Upon the question,

“Shall this bill now pass the House ?”

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The bill entitled “An Act authorizing the appointment of an additional Notary Public,”

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Rickards,

The bill entitled “A supplement to the Act entitled ‘An Act to incorporate the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company,’”

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Rickards offered the following amendment to said bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and

Adopted.

"Amend the bill by adding the following section :

"SECTION 5. *And be it further enacted,* That the said 'The Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company,' is hereby authorized and shall have power to survey, locate and build a Branch Railroad, switch or switches, from a point at or near the depot grounds at Milford, to the lower wharves on the north side of the Mispillion Creek, and to such point on the south side of the said Creek, as in the judgment of the Company may be deemed expedient; and in the surveying and locating such branch, switch or switches, the provisions of section 11 of the original Act, to which this is a supplement, shall be applicable, provided such branch or switch shall not be built of or from the appropriations already made to the Junction and Breakwater Railroad."

Mr. Churchman moved,

Further to amend the bill as follows :

"Amend the bill by adding in the second line of section 1, after the word "met," "two thirds of both branches of the Legislature concurring."

Which motion

Prevailed.

And the amendment was

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The report of the Committee of Conference upon the disagreement between the two Houses in reference to the appointment of Bank Directors of the Farmers Bank of the State of Delaware, on the part of the State,

Was taken up for consideration,

And read, as follows :

"We, the undersigned, having been appointed a Committee of Conference by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware, on Joint Resolution appointing Bank Directors on the part of the State, in the Banks at Wilmington, New Castle, Dover and Georgetown, respectfully submit the following report :

Directors—For Bank at Wilmington,
James Delaplane,
J. M. Poole,
V. C. Gilpin.

For Bank at New Castle,
 Nathaniel Young,
 James Crippen,
 James Truss.

For Bank at Dover,
 Edward Ridgely,
 Wilson L. Cannon,
 Hunn Jenkins, and

For Bank at Georgetown,
 James Ponder,
 Henry Wolfe,
 Benj. F. Forks.

(Signed,) J. A. McFerran,
 D. W. Gemmill,
 John A. Moore,
 H. H. Appleton,
 Lem. G. W. Waples.

Mr. J. A. Moore moved,

That the report of the Committee of Conference,

Be adopted;

The House being divided upon said motion,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Clements,
 Collins, Davis, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Robinson, Virden,
 Waples, C. Williamson—13.

Nays—Messrs. Betts, Chandler, Churchman, Cochran, Higgins,
 Phillips, Rickards, Mr. Speaker—8.

So the report was

Adopted.

Ordered, that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Betts from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred the bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate a Bank in Milford, under the name of the President, Directors and Company of the Farmers and Mechanics Bank of Milford,' passed at Dover February 25, 1859,"

Reported back said bill to the House with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

"Amend section 3, by prefixing the following words before the said section, as it now exists :

"In the eleventh line of section 7 of the said original Act, the word "twenty" shall be inserted after the word "first,"

And,

On his further motion,

The amendment was

Adopted.

The bill was then,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Read a second time by its title.

Mr. C. Williamson gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act re-incorporating the Marshy Hope Improvement Company."

Mr. Virden presented the remonstrance of William H. Satterfield and some forty others, against the location of a public road from Felton to Canterbury Station,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Clements presented the petition of Thomas S. Wallace, and over thirty other citizens of Kent County, praying the passage of an Act to prevent free negroes and mulattoes from holding or owning real estate,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the committee already raised upon the subject.

Mr. Waples from the committee to whom was referred the petition of William Harris, and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act to form two Hundreds of what was heretofore Broadkiln Hundred, in Sussex County,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the bill entitled "A further supplement to the Act to incorporate the owners and possessors of a certain tract of meadow, marsh and cripple, known by the name of the Brandywine Marsh, in the borough of Wilmington and County of New Castle,"

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

Which motion

Prevailed.

Upon the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered;

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Virden, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Davis presented the petition of H. C. Douglass and others, praying the passage of an Act authorizing the laying out of a public road in New Castle and Kent Counties, from Sassafras Crossing to Clayton,

Which,

On his motion,

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

Mr. Waples moved,

That the Senate bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 99 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

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

Which motion *Prevailed.*

The question being upon the adoption of section 1 of the bill,

The further consideration thereof, was,

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

Postponed until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to enable John Harris to place and drive piles at the end of a certain wharf in the city of Wilmington,"

Was taken up for consideration, and,

On his further motion,

Indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Rickards moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act concerning Public Roads in Sussex County," postponed until to-day,

Be taken up for consideration,

The question being upon the motion to read said bill a third time by paragraphs, in order to pass the House,

The motion *Prevailed.*

And the bill was read by paragraphs.

On the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The House being divided,

Mr. Calhoun called for the yeas and nays,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Chandler, Churchman, Cochran, Davis, Higgins, John A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—14.

Nays—Messrs. Boyce, Broadway, Calhoun, Clements, Collins, Robinson, Virden—7.

So the bill

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act for the suppression of vagrancy,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. C. Williamson,

The bill entitled "An Act concerning free negroes and mulattoes imprisoned for debt,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act authorizing 'The Mayor and Council of Wilmington to borrow the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for the purposes therein mentioned,'"

Was read a second time by its title.

Also, on motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to amend the charter of the city of Wilmington,'"

Was read a second time by its title.

Also, on motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "A further supplement to an Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Wesleyan Female Collegiate Institute,'"

Was read a second time by its title.

Also, on motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to incorporate Delaware Council, No. 2, Order of United American Mechanics, of Wilmington, Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Also, on motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to repeal an Act therein mentioned, and to vacate Fifteenth street, between Market and Tatnall streets, in the city of Wilmington,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, *February 7, 1861, 10 o'clock, A. M.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion Mr. Chandler,

The bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 111, of the Revised Statutes,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Broadaway from the committee to whom was referred the petition of David J. Murphy and others, asked for, and,

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Was allowed further time to report.

Pursuant to notice,

Mr. Robinson asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Betts,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill, entitled "An Act for the benefit of the State of Delaware,"

Which,

On motion of Mr. Robinson,

Was read.

Mr. Robinson moved,

That the further consideration of said bill be postponed until Thursday next, the 14th instant, and that two hundred and fifty copies of said bill, be printed for the use of the General Assembly.

Mr. Appleton moved,

To amend the motion to postpone by extending the postponement until this day three weeks, the 28th inst.

The question being upon the motion of Mr. Appleton to amend the motion of Mr. Robinson to postpone,

And the House being divided,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Chandler, Cochran, Higgins, Mr. Speaker—5.

Nays—Messrs. Betts, Boyce, Broadway, Calhoon, Churchman, Clements, Collins, Davis, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Waples, C. Williamson—15.

So the motion to amend was

Lost.

The question then recurring to the motion to postpone and print,

Mr. Appleton called for a division of the question,

And the question being taken on the motion to postpone the consideration of the question until Thursday next,

It

Prevailed.

And the motion to print two hundred and fifty copies of the bill for the use of the General Assembly,

Also,

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 99, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware," postponed until to-day,

Was taken up for consideration,

The question being upon the adoption of section 1, of said bill,

Mr. Churchman offered an amendment thereto,

And their being no objection,

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

The amendment,

Was read, and

Adopted.

It is as follows :

"Amend the bill in the seventeenth line thereof by inserting after the word "may" and before the word "be" in said seventeenth line, the words following, to wit :

"After the expiration of said stay of execution."

The bill was then read by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof.

Mr. Clements moved that two hundred copies of the bill providing for the call of a Convention, be printed for the use of the General Assembly,

Which motion was

Lost.

Mr. J. A. Moore presented the petition of Charles N. Trump against the State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Rickards moved,

That the bill entitled, "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company,'"

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

Which motion

Prevailed.

On the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calheon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—19.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The bill entitled "An Act authorizing the appointment of an additional Notary Public,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Phillips,

The bill entitled "An Act to repeal sections 1, 2, 3 and 4, of chapter 80, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title.

In pursuance of notice given,

Mr. Collins asked, and,

On motion of Mr. Waples,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to authorize the Trustees, under the will of John Ferris, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate therein devised."

Which,

On motion of Mr. Collins,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act to divide North West Fork Hundred into two election districts,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Also, on motion of Mr. Waples,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act authorizing the Prothonotary of Kent County to transcribe certain Indices,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. J. A. Moore moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate Felton Lodge, No. 30, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of the State of Delaware, at Felton, Del.,"

Be read a third time by paragraphs in order to pass the House:

Which motion

Prevailed.

On the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the Constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Also, on motion of Mr. Betts,

The bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter 73 of the Revised Code, entitled 'of the city of Wilmington,'"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Collins presented the petition of Curtis S. Watson and some two hundred others, praying the passage of a Lien Law,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the committee already raised upon the subject.

On motion of Mr. Waples,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act to re-enact the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Sisters of Charity of St. Peter's School,

and to grant to said corporation certain lands in Mill Creek Hundred,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Higgins,

The bill entitled "An Act to extend the Criminal Jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate Good Intent Division, No. 3, Sons of Temperance,"

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

Which motion

Prevailed.

On the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rickards,

The bill entitled "An Act appointing commissioners to lay out a public road,"

Was read a third time by paragraphs, and

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the bill entitled "A supplement to the Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate a Bank in Milford, under the name of the President, Directors and Company of the Farmers and Mechanics Bank of Milford,' passed at Dover February 25, 1859,"

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

Which motion

Prevailed.

On the question,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The House adjourned.

EODEM DIE, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. J. A. Moore offered the following resolution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and

Adopted.

Resolved, That the Senate be requested to return to the House the bill entitled "An Act to change the name of 'Smyrna Station,'" "

Mr. Cochran presented the statement of Edward Ridgely, Secretary of State, in account with the State, and the contingent expenses of the Secretary's office in account with the Secretary of State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Appleton presented the remonstrance of Daniel Corbit and others, to any change in the law in reference to the manner of repairing the roads in Appoquinimink and St. Georges Hundreds,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. J. A. Moore presented the petition of William Wilds and over one hundred others, praying the passage of an Act changing the present law in reference to the sale of intoxicating liquors,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and referred to the committee already raised upon the subject.

Mr. Rickards from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of H. C. Douglass and others,

Reported a bill entitled "An Act appointing Commissioners to lay out a public road partly in New Castle and partly in Kent Counties,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Rickards,

The bill entitled "An Act to lay out a public road from Felton to the road to Green's Chapel,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Chandler,

The Senate bill entitled "An Act authorizing the making of General Indexes to the Record Books of the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware in and for Kent County, and the Orphan's Court of the State of Delaware, in and for Kent County,"

Was read.

Mr. Pratt, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, returned to the House, as requested by the resolution of the House, the bill entitled "An Act to change the name of the place called 'Smyrna Station.'"

He also returned the following bills, in the passage of which the Senate had refused to concur, viz:

The bill entitled "An Act to divorce John W. McCall and Hannah Mary McCall from the bonds of matrimony,"

And,

The bill entitled "An Act to divorce Frank Stewart and Annie Elmira his wife, from the bonds of matrimony."

On motion of Mr. J. A. Moore,

The vote by which the bill entitled "An Act to change the name of the place called Smyrna Station," passed the House,

Was

Reconsidered.

Mr. J. A. Moore then presented the remonstrance of A. Stockley and nearly one hundred others, against the passage of the bill.

Also, the petition of Thomas B. Lockwood and over forty others, praying for the passage of the bill,

The question then being taken upon the passage of the bill,

It

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Betts moved,

That the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the 'Dover Gas Light Company,'" "

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

Which motion

Prevailed.

The question being,

"Shall this bill now pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered thereon,

Which being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Appleton, Betts, Boyce, Broadaway, Calhoon, Chandler, Churchman, Clements, Cochran, Collins, Davis, Higgins, J. A. Moore, Jonathan Moore, Phillips, Rickards, Robinson, Waples, C. Williamson, Mr. Speaker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill having received the constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. J. A. Moore submitted the report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreement of the two Houses to the amendments

proposed by the Senate to the bill entitled "An Act to repeal an Act entitled 'An Act for the relief of certain free negroes and free mulattoes,'"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Churchman,

The consideration of the report was postponed until Tuesday the 12th inst.

Mr. Appleton offered the following Joint Resolution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, and

Adopted.

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met, that the following persons be, and they are hereby appointed Directors of the Farmers Bank of the State of Delaware, on the part of the State, agreeably to the Act of the General Assembly in such case made and provided :

For the principal Bank at Dover,

Wilson L. Cannon,
Hunn Jenkins, and
Edward Ridgely,

For the branch at Wilmington,

James Delaplaine,
V. C. Gilpin, and
J. Morton Poole.

For the branch at New Castle,

Nathaniel Young,
James Truss, and
Charles Gooding.

For the branch at Georgetown,

Benj. F. Fooks,
James Ponder, and
Henry Wolfe.