

cilities in and for said district," approved March 23rd, A. D. 1901, being Chapter 129, Volume 22, Laws of Delaware, by striking out certain words of said Section 1 and inserting in lieu thereof other words,

House Bill No. 108, entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 53, of Volume 15, of the Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act to establish a Board of Education for the Town of Lewes and to incorporate the same, and for other purposes," as extended and continued by Chapter 24, of Volume 20, of the Laws of Delaware, by increasing the amount authorized to be raised by taxation,

Mr. Tyre, on behalf of the Committee on Elections, to whom had been referred the bill,

Senate Bill No. 37, entitled :

An act to change the voting place in the Second Election District of the Eleventh Representative District of New Castle County,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Tyre, on behalf of the Committee on Public Highways, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 128, entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 653, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, by providing for an additional appropriation for the public road leading from Little Creek to Mahon's River, in Kent County,

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

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

An act to abolish assessments for road taxes of residents of towns in New Castle County, where the town and its residents are exempt by the Legislature from paying road taxes,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Austin, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derickson, Eastburn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---21.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Buckmaster, House Bill No. 177 was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Tyre, the bill (H. B. No. 269), entitled:

An act authorizing the Levy Court of New Castle County to liquidate the balance of indebtedness due Alfred D. Vandever, Coroner for New Castle County, for expenses incurred while acting as Coroner for said county,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the bill, House Bill No. 269, was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Newton, the bill (H. B. No. 254), entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 54, Vol. 22, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act reorganizing the Levy Court of Sussex County., and defining its powers and duties," by increasing the compensation of the members of said court,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buck-

master, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Holcomb moved that the vote on House Bill No. 254 be reconsidered.

Mr. Holcomb moved that the motion to reconsider the vote on House Bill No. 254 be laid on the table indefinitely.

On motion of Mr. Bancroft, the bill (S. B. No. 71), entitled :

An act to exempt certain lands and tenements of all charitable homes for incurables from taxation for county purposes,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Bancroft, the bill (S. B. No. 72), entitled :

An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act to revise and con-

solidate the statutes relating to the City of Wilmington," being Chapter 207, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, exempting from taxation the lands and tenements of all charitable homes for incurables,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, not having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Morrison, the bill (H. B. No. 208), entitled:

An act to authorize the Council of Newark, Delaware, to regulate the sale of goods, wares and merchandise on the streets and sidewalks of Newark, Delaware,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act to provide for the collection of taxes levied and passed on real property and persons within the Town of Newark, Delaware,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker- -24.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Frazier moved that the vote on House Bill No. 97 be reconsidered.

On the motion to reconsider,

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the motion to reconsider the vote on House Bill No. 97, prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Flinn, the bill (H. B. No. 97), entitled :

An act relating to the salaries of Levy Court Commissioners for New Castle County,

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rose, House Bill No. 310 was laid on table.

On motion of Mr. Buckmaster, House Bill No. 177 was laid on table.

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

An act providing for the use of iron pipes for small bridges in Kent County,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Monaghan, the bili (H. B. No. 236), entitled :

An act to change the name of Metta Burleigh to Jennie M. Weaver,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act to prevent the procuring of deposits of money in this State without lawful authority,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

Mr. Holcomb asked that Joint Resolution No. 16, entitled:

Joint resolution appointing a joint committee to settle the accounts of the State Treasurer in January, 1904,

Be read.

Mr. Holcomb moved that the joint resolution be adopted.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and, the joint resolution having received the required constitutional majority, was adopted,

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Jones asked that Senate Joint Resolution No. 11, entitled:

Joint resolution in relation to certain offices in the Court House, at Dover,

Be read.

Mr. Jones moved that the joint resolution be concurred in.

On the question, "Shall the joint resolution be concurred in?"

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Powell, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the joint resolution, having received the required constitutional majority, was concurred in.

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

On motion of Mr. Bancroft, the bill (H. B. No. 246), entitled:

An act authorizing the appointment of an additional Notary Public for New Castle County, to reside in the City of Wilmington,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Holcomb, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---22.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rose, the bill (H. B. No. 181), entitled :

An act in relation to the poisoning of dogs,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Buckmaster, Cook, Gehman, Jones, Purnell, Rose, Thompson---7.

Nays---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Holcomb, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---15.

So the question was decided in the negative, and the bill, not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was Lost.

Mr. Connelly moved that action on House Bill No. 19 be deferred until Friday, 13th, at 2.30 p. m.,

Which motion,

Was Lost.

On motion of Mr. Jones, the bill (H. B. No. 345), entitled :

An act to change the name of William Lee to William L. Dockstader,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Rose, Thompson, Mr. Speaker---20.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion, House Bill No. 209 was made a special order for to-morrow at 11 o'clock, a. m.

On motion of Mr. Bancroft, the bill (H. B. No. 193), entitled:

An act to amend Section 7, of Chapter 124, of the Revised Code, relating to exceptions to executors, administrators' and guardians' accounts,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Holcomb, Jones, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---22.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bancroft, the bill (H. B. No. 34), entitled:

An act to license the practice of chiropody,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---18.

Nays---Messrs. Aspril, Frazier, Gehman, Monaghan. Morrison---5.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, House Bill No. 325 was recommitted.

Mr. Austin, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the following bills:

House Bill No. 343, entitled:

An act making Jennie M. Weaver the heir-in-law of Isaac W. Weaver,

House Bill No. 342, entitled:

An act for the protection of pigeons,

House Bill No. 316, entitled:

An act requiring the County Comptroller of New Castle County to examine and audit the accounts of the Sheriff of said county, and report to the Levy Court of said county the amount of fees and costs collected by said sheriff previous to each audit, said audit and report to be made in the last weeks of March, June, September and December, of each year, and to only be made concerning the three months next preceding the first day of the month next succeeding the time they are by this act required to be made.

House Bill No. 317, entitled:

An act authorizing the Commissioners of Roads of Brandywine hundred to fund the floating debt and provide for the payment thereof,

Senate Bill No. 85, entitled:

An act to prevent the mutilation of horses, being a supplement to an act, entitled, "An act for the prevention of cruelty to animals,"

House Bill No. 308, entitled:

An act authorizing the Levy Court Commissioners of New Castle County to refund the New Castle County Workhouse loan and to increase the said loan,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

On motion of Mr. Rose, the House adjourned until 10.30 o'clock, to-morrow morning, March 12, 1903.

Thursday, March 12, 1903---10.30 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Lingo, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Purnell, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

Mr. Tyre, on behalf of the Committee on Elections, to whom had been referred the bill,

Senate Bill No. 68, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 36, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act providing for a uniform system of registration of the voters of this State,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Bancroft, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 288, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 129, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, being, "An act concerning youthful convicts," and to permit the Court to probate first offenders,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Messick, on behalf of the Committee on Claims, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 98, entitled:

An act fixing an annual salary for the Coroner of Kent County and the Coroner of Sussex County,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Price, on behalf of the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game, to whom had been recommitted the bill,

House Bill No. 159, entitled :

An act to provide for the protection and propagation of food fish and terrapin in certain parts of the Christiana Creek and its tributaries, in New Castle County,

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Flinn, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the following bills,

House Bill No. 307, entitled :

An act providing for the revision and codification of the statute laws of Delaware,

House Bill No. 300, entitled :

An act to abolish the offices of collectors of capitation taxes for the City of Wilmington, and to impose the duty of collecting the capitation taxes in the City of Wilmington upon the Receiver of Taxes for New Castle County,

House Bill No. 301, entitled :

An act requiring the Sheriff of New Castle County to pay to the County Treasurer of said county, on the 31st day of March, 30th day of June, 30th day of September and 31st day of December, of each year, all fees and costs then in his hands due said county,

Senate Bill No. 36, entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 574, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware, relating to the expenditure of road taxes in Blackbird hundred, New Castle County,

Senate Bill No. 70, entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 216, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act to change the time of holding the Court

of Chancery," by providing for additional terms of said court and Orphans' Court in Kent County,

House Bill No. 314, entitled:

An act proposing amendments to Section 15, Article 2, of the Constitution of the State of Delaware, concerning Legislature,

Senate Bill No. 90, entitled:

An act in relation to advancements by intestates in their life time,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

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

Senate Bill No. 14, entitled:

An act to regulate the summoning and returning of juries,

And presented the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had non-concurred in the following House bill,

House Bill No. 4, entitled:

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

And returned the same to the House, as not being properly drawn.

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House bills:

House Bill No. 109, entitled:

An act authorizing the Board of Public Education for the Town of Lewes to borrow money, and issue bonds to secure the payment thereof, for the purpose of making additions to and improvements in the school house in consolidated School Districts Nos. 14, 15, 110 and 112, in Sussex County,

House Bill No. 117, entitled :

An act relating to the accounts of the Road Commissioners of the several hundreds of New Castle County, and the auditing of the same,

House Bill No. 141, entitled :

An act providing for the condemnation of turnpike roads, and making the same public highways,

House Bill No. 211, entitled :

An act to prevent and punish the desecration of the flag of the United States,

With Senate amendment,

And returned the same to the House.

He also returned to the House the following duly and correctly enrolled House bills, the same having been signed by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate :

House Bill No. 64, entitled :

An act to punish the making of threats to destroy property.

House Bill No. 103, entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 56, Vol. 22, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act in relation to the collection of taxes for Sussex County,"

House Bill No. 114, entitled :

An act to amend Chapter IX of the Revised Code of 1893, said chapter being entitled, "Clerk of the Peace," by providing that persons applying for marriage licenses shall not be required to give bond to the State.

House Bill No. 119, entitled :

An act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 133 of the Revised Code, relating to imprisonment for non-payment of fine or costs.

House Bill No. 121, entitled :

An act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional

Notary Public for Wilmington hundred, New Castle County, for the office of the Pusey and Jones Company.

House Bill No. 123, entitled:

An act increasing the salaries of the bailiffs of the courts in and for New Castle County.

House Bill No. 84, entitled:

An act in relation to rewards for the arrest of criminals.

House Bill No. 130, entitled:

An act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional Notary Public for Wilmington hundred, New Castle County, Delaware, for the office of the City Clerk of Wilmington, Delaware.

House Bill No. 132, entitled:

An act to dispense with the kissing of the Bible in the administering of oaths.

House Bill No. 137, entitled:

An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act authorizing the appointment of an additional constable in New Castle County."

House Bill No. 144, entitled:

An act to authorize the Governor to appoint an additional Notary Public in and for Kent County, to reside in the Town of Harrington.

House Bill No. 161, entitled:

An act to change the name of Marion Paschall Carpenter to Marion Paschall Frederick.

House Bill No. 162, entitled:

An act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional Notary Public for Wilmington hundred, New Castle County, for the office of the Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington Railroad Company.

House Bill No. 179, entitled:

An act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional

Notary Public for Christiana hundred, New Castle County, whose office shall be at the New Castle County Workhouse.

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

House Bill No. 93, entitled:

An act for the protection of Black Bass in the fresh water streams and the lakes or ponds within the jurisdiction of Delaware.

House Bill No. 96, entitled:

An act to regulate the transaction of business by the Levy Court Commissioners of New Castle County.

House Bill No. 105, entitled:

An act in relation to the reassessment of the persons and property in Nanticoke hundred, Sussex County, Delaware.

Mr. Flinn, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the following bills,

Senate Bill No. 65, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 345, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act for the preservation of the public health," by conferring additional authority on local boards of health,

Senate Bill No. 66, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 642, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act to establish a State Board of Health for the State of Delaware," Chapter 21, Volume 16, as amended, by granting additional powers to the Board of Health of the State of Delaware,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Rose, in pursuance of previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 351), entitled:

An act to remove the Levy Court Commissioners of New Castle County from ineligibility for a second term,

Which, on his motion, was read.

And further, on his motion, the bill was read a second time, by its title, and referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

Mr. Monaghan, in pursuance of previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 353), entitled:

An act authorizing the Mayor and Council of Wilmington to levy and collect an annual tax from foreign fire insurance companies doing business in the City of Wilmington,

Which, on his motion, was read.

And further, on his motion, the bill was read a second time, by its title, and referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance.

Mr. Rose, in pursuance of previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 352), entitled:

An act regulating and making an improvement of county roads and the expenditure of money appropriated by Levy Courts for the purpose,

Which, on his motion, was read.

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

Mr. Purnell, in pursuance of previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 354), entitled:

An act to extend the provisions of Chapter 48, Vol. 16, Laws of Delaware, and make them applicable to Sussex County,

Which, on his motion, was read.

And further, on his motion, the bill was read a second time, by its title, and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Speaker, the bill (S. B. No. 14), entitled:

An act to regulate the summoning and returning of juries,

Was read a first time.

And further, on his motion, the bill was read a second time, by its title, and referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Mr. Flinn, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the bill,

Senate Bill No. 69, entitled:

An act to discourage petty litigation,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Flinn, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 189, entitled

An act to amend Chapter 89 of the Revised Statutes,

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

Mr. Powell, on behalf of the Committee on Temperance, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 263, entitled:

An act to promote temperance and to prevent the dispensing of free lunch by persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquors,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Aspril, on behalf of the Committee on Appropriations, to whom had been referred the following bills,

House Bill No. 337, entitled:

An act to appropriate the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars, to be used in the prosecution of Cordelia Botkin for the murder of Mary E. Dunning,

Senate Bill No. 28, entitled:

An act to provide for the redemption of the bonds of this State, issue of 1877, and making the necessary appropriations therefor,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Townsend, on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom had been referred the bill,

Senate Bill No. 95, entitled:

An act in relation to the collection of taxes for Kent County,  
Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Townsend, on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and  
Taxation, to whom had been referred the following bills,

House Bill No. 242, entitled:

An act providing for the publication of the assessment lists  
of the assessors in all the counties of the State,

House Bill No. 339, entitled:

An act to exempt from taxation the lands, tenements and  
hereditaments and personal estate of "The Home Mission," a  
corporation of the State of Delaware, and other charitable insti-  
tutions,

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Townsend, on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and  
Taxation, to whom had been referred the following bills,

Senate Bill No. 89, entitled:

Of the Revenues of the State.

An act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 15, Volume 22, Laws  
of Delaware, entitled, "An act to raise revenue for the State by  
taxing certain corporations," increasing the period for the pay-  
ment of annual franchise taxes before they shall begin to bear in-  
terest,

House Bill No. 327, entitled:

An act providing that at the next and following general as-  
sessments of property for county, road and poor purposes in  
New Castle hundred, New Castle County, the assessment of the  
City of New Castle be kept separate from the balance of New  
Castle hundred,

Senate Bill No. 81, entitled:

An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act to revise and con-  
solidate the statutes relating to the City of Wilmington," being  
Chapter 207, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, exempting from  
taxation the lands and tenements of charitable homes and homes  
of refuge for reformed women,

Senate Bill No. 82, entitled:

An act to exempt from taxation the lands and tenements of charitable homes and homes of refuge for reformed women,

House Bill No. 324, entitled:

An act authorizing an increase in the tax for road purposes in New Castle hundred, New Castle County,

Senate Bill No. 62, entitled:

An act to exempt from taxation the lands, tenements and hereditaments and personal estate of the "Florence Crittenden Home of the State of Delaware,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Aspril, on behalf of the Committee on Appropriations, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 344, entitled:

An act for the better protection of real estate in the State of Delaware,

Reported the same back to the House favorably, as amended.

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

House Bill No. 295, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 167, Vol. 22, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act providing a General Corporation Law,"

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Bancroft the bill (H. B. No. 118), entitled:

An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 130 of the Revised Code, relating to perjury and subornation,

With amendment as follows: Amend the bill by adding to the end of Section 1 thereof the following, "And shall be whipped with forty lashes at the discretion of the Court,"

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further mo-

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

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Flinn, Frazier, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---29.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, as amended, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Morrison the bill (H. B. No. 209), entitled:

An act to change the boundaries of the Town of Newark and to establish new boundaries for said town,

As amended,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---32.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, as amended, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

House Joint Resolution No. 22, authorizing the Secretary of State to have printed three thousand copies of the General Corporation Laws,

Was taken up for consideration.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---31.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the joint resolution, having received the required constitutional majority,

Was adopted

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

House Bill No. 111, entitled:

An act to appropriate fifteen thousand dollars for the erection and repair of buildings at Delaware College and the completion of alterations and repairs already begun,

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Connelly, House Bill No. 243 was laid on the table.

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

An act to amend Chapter 199, Vol. 22, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act to reincorporate the 'Town of Lewes,'" by increasing the appropriation of the Levy Court for repairs of roads, streets, lanes, alleys, bridges and squares,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Monaghan, Morrison, Paradee, Powell, Price, Thompson, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---Messrs. Bennett, Gehman, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Purnell, Townsend---7.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act to authorize the Commissioners of Lewes to borrow additional money and to issue bonds to secure the payment thereof, for the extension and support of the water works, electric light plant and sewer system of the Town of Lewes,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Flinn, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---30.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Allen, the House took a recess till 1.30 o'clock, p. m.

Same Day---1.30 o'clock, P. M.

House reassembled at expiration of noon recess.

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

House Bill No. 111, entitled:

An act to appropriate fifteen thousand dollars for the erection and repair of buildings at Delaware College, and the completion of alterations and repairs already begun.

On motion of Mr. Thompson, the bill (H. B. No. 185), entitled:

An act to supplement and amend Chap. 199, Vol. 22, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act to re-incorporate the Town of Lewes," by prohibiting the making of contracts by the Board of Commissioners of said town for materials, supplies, etc., with members of said board,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---20.

Nays---Messrs. Allen, Messick, Purnell---3.

So the question was decided in the negative, and the bill, not having received the required constitutional majority.

Was Lost.

On motion of Mr. Bancroft, the bill (H. B. No. 135), entitled:

Amendment to an act in relation to "The Delaware Industrial School for Girls,"

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Lawson, Messick, Morrison, Newton, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---25.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

House Bill No. 59, entitled:

An act for the protection of muskrats.

House Bill No. 92, entitled :

An act to indemnify the E. I. DuPont de Nemours and Co.

House Bill No. 115, entitled :

An act authorizing the Town Council of Milford to borrow twenty thousand dollars for street and sewer improvement.

House Bill No. 122, entitled :

An act providing for uniforms for the bailiffs of the Courts of New Castle County.

House Bill No. 69, entitled :

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

House Bill No. 16, entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 392, Vol. 20, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act to provide for the maintainance, discipline and regulation of the National Guard of Delaware."

On motion of Mr. Thompson, the bill (H. B. No. 171), entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 199, Vol. 22, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act to re-incorporate the Town of Lewes," by providing for vacancies in the Board of Commissioners of said town and increasing the powers of the Treasurer in the collection of taxes,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Newton, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act to further amend Chapter 30, Section 6, Vol. 17, Laws of Delaware, as amended by Chapter 27, Sec. 6, Vol. 21, Laws of Delaware,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Austin, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Gooden, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---19.

Nays---Messrs. Aspril, Bancroft, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Gehman, Hart, Hughes, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Warren---12.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence

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

An act amending an act, entitled, "An act providing for the establishment and maintenance of Free Public Libraries," approved March 9th, A. D. 1901, making school districts the centers for free libraries, and for other purposes,

As amended.

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---32.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Austin, the bill (H. B. No. 187), entitled:

An act to provide State supervision over State banks, savings banks, building and loan associations, trust companies, safe deposit, guarantee, surety and bonding corporations in the State of Delaware,

As amended,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Thompson, Townsend, Warren, Mr. Speaker---29.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, as amended, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Austin, the bill (H. B. No. 249), entitled :

An act to appropriate four thousand dollars for the erection, alteration and repair of buildings at the State College for Colored Students,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gooden, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Newton, Powell, Price, Purnell, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---21.

Nays---Messrs. Allen, Buckmaster, Connelly, Gehman, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Morrison, Paradee---9.

So the question was decided in the negative, and the bill, not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was Lost.

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

House Bill No. 267, entitled :

An act authorizing the Commissioners of Colored School Districts Nos. 163 in Kent County and 192 in Sussex County to borrow money to pay for the furnishing and repairing of their school house,

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Warren, the bill (H. B. No. 52), entitled :

A supplement to the act entitled, "An act concerning the establishment of a general system of free public schools," approved May 12th, 1898, relating to the alteration, creation and union of school districts, and to the apportionment of the school fund,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gooden, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---23.

Nays---Messrs. Allen, Gehman, Hart, Holcomb, Morrison, Rose---6.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

House Bill No. 111, entitled:

An act to appropriate fifteen thousand dollars for the erection and repair of buildings at Delaware College, and the completion of alterations and repairs already begun.

On motion of Mr. Jones, the bill (H. B. No. 240), entitled:

An act to authorize the Mayor and Council of Wilmington to borrow the sum of two hundred thousand dollars for the use of the Board of Water Commissioners of said city,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett,

Buckmaster, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Hughes, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---30.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, House Bill No. 60 was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Frazier, the bill (H. B. No. 235), entitled:

An act for the protection of oysters,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---29.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bennett, the bill (H. B. No. 66), entitled:

An act to authorize the Recorder of Deeds in and for Sussex County to make new indices for mortgages,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Powell, Price, Purnell, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---20.

Nays---Messrs. Allen, Buckmaster, Connelly, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Monaghan, Morrison, Paradee, Rose, Thompson---12.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bennett, the bill (H. B. No. 67), entitled:

An act to authorize the Recorder of Deeds in and for Sussex County to make new indices for deeds,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gooden, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---22.

Nays---Messrs. Hart, Holcomb, Rose, Thompson---4.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bennett, House Bill No. 275 was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Townsend, House Bill No. 258 was re-committed.

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

An act to amend an act providing that Levy Court Commissioners in New Castle County shall not be eligible for a second term,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Connelly, Eastburn, Gooden---3.

Nays---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Derrickson, Flinn, Frazier, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---23.

So the question was decided in the negative, and the bill, not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was Lost.

On motion of Mr. Tyre, the House took a recess until 7.30 o'clock, p. m.

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Same Day---7.30 o'clock, P. M.

House met at expiration of recess.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, House Bill No. 281 was laid on the table.

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

House Bill No. 295, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 167, Volume 22, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act providing a General Corporation Law."

Mr. Lowe, in pursuance of previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 355), entitled:

An act to confirm and legalize the acts of certain corporations,

Which, on his motion, was read.

And further, on his motion, the bill was read a second time, by its title, and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the bill (H. B. No. 133), entitled:

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

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---23.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Messick, the bill (H. B. No. 241), entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 500, Vol. 20, Laws of Delaware, passed at Dover, May 14, 1897, entitled, "An act to authorize the levying of a special tax for shelling the county roads of Broad Creek Hundred, Sussex County," by changing the amount of shells to be distributed on said roads,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Mr. Speaker---22.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Lowe, the bill (H. B. No. 266), entitled :

An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act incorporating the School Committee of United Districts Nos. 163 and 163½ of Sussex County, by the name of 'The Delmar Public Schools,'" and authorizing said "The Delmar Public Schools" to provide better school buildings, and to borrow money, issue bonds and levy taxes,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart,

Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Austin, House Bill No. 238 was recommitted.

On motion of Mr. Lowe, the bill (H. B. No. 250), entitled :

An act to authorize the levying of a special tax for shelling the county roads of Little Creek hundred, Sussex County,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---22.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Frazier, House Bill No. 165 was made special order for March 13, 1903, at 3 o'clock, p. m.

On motion of Mr. Newton, House Bill No. 255 was made special order for 3.30 o'clock, p. m., March 13, 1903.

On motion of Mr. Newton, the bill (H. B. No. 256), entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 438, Volume 17, Laws of Dela-

ware, being an act to amend the act, entitled, "An act providing for the appointment of a State Chemist," by fixing the fee to the State Chemist for making an analysis of any lime at the sum of two dollars,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---21.

Nays---None

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act authorizing the Trustees of the New Castle Commons to borrow money,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Mr. Speaker---19.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rose, the bill (H. B. No. 265), entitled :

An act to suppress "bucket shops" in this State,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Holcomb, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---16.

Nays---Messrs. Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Rose, Thompson---5.

So the question was decided in the negative, and the bill, not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was Lost.

On motion of Mr. Tyre, the bill (H. B. No. 252), entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 162, Vol. 22, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act in relation to peddlers within the County of New Castle," and to exempt manufacturers and farmers from paying peddlers license,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---21.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act providing for the revision and codification of the statute laws of Delaware,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Townsend, offered and asked that House Joint Resolution No. 24, entitled :

House joint resolution authorizing the Secretary of State to have printed the election laws,

Be read.

Mr. Townsend moved that the joint resolution be adopted.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---22.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the joint resolution, having received the required constitutional majority,

Was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act requiring the County Comptroller of New Castle County to examine and audit the accounts of the Sheriff of said county and report to the Levy Court of said county the amount of fees and costs collected by said Sheriff previous to each audit, said audits and reports to be made in the last week of March, June, September and December of each year, and only to be made concerning the three months next preceding the first day of the month next succeeding the time they are by this act required to be made,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---20.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act requiring the Sheriff of New Castle County to pay to the County Treasurer of said county, on the 31st day of March, 30th day of June, 30th day of September and 31st day of December, of each year, all fees and costs then in his hands due said county,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---20.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

House Bill No. 117, entitled :

An act relating to the accounts of the road commissioners of the several hundreds of New Castle County, and the auditing of the same,

House Bill No. 141, entitled :

An act providing for the condemnation of turnpike roads, and making the same public highways,

House Bill No. 211, entitled :

An act to prevent and punish the desecration of the flag of the United States,

House Bill No. 267, entitled :

An act authorizing the Commissioners of Colored School Districts Nos. 163 in Kent County and 192 in Sussex County to borrow money to pay for the furnishing and repairing of their school house,

House Bill No. 197, entitled :

An act to incorporate the Town of Frankford.

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

An act limiting judgment liens upon real estate in Kent and Sussex Counties, and for other purposes,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Townsend, Mr. Speaker---21.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act to authorize the Town Commissioners of Frederica to repair and improve the town hall of said town, and to borrow money for that purpose,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Lingo, the bill (H. B. No. 264), entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 533, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act dividing School Districts Nos. 97 and 135 in Sussex County into four school districts,"

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Mesrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Purnell, the bill (H. B. No. 138), entitled :

An act to authorize and empower the Board of Commissioners of Public Schools of Georgetown, Sussex County, to borrow money to repair, enlarge and remodel its school house, to

issue bonds to secure the same, to refund the outstanding bonded indebtedness and to levy a tax to pay the said bonds,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Monaghan, the bill (H. B. No. 343), entitled:

An act making Jennie M. Weaver the heir at law of Isaac W. Weaver,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---19.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Newton, the bill (H. B. No. 335), entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 696, Vol. 18, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act providing for farmers' institutes," by adding a proviso that the State Board of Agriculture may appoint a director for the State,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---18.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Aspril, the bill (S. B. No. 77), entitled :

An act changing the hour of the day for holding the school election in United Districts Nos. 77, 99 and 99½ in New Castle County,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bennett, Derrickson, East-

burn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---20.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

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

An act to amend Chapter 375, Volume 15, of the Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act for the relief of the idiotic children of the State of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bennett, Derrickson, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Price, Purnell, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---18.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Newton, the bill (S. B. No. 68), entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 36, Volume 21, of the Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act providing for a uniform system of registration of all qualified voters in this State,"

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Lawson, Messick, Price, Purnell, Thompson, Mr. Speaker---14.

Nays---Messrs. Gooden, Hart, Newton, Rose, Townsend, Tyre---6.

So the question was decided in the negative, and the bill, not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was Lost.

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

Mr. Tyre moved that the vote on Senate Bill No. 68 be reconsidered.

Mr. Rose moved that the motion to reconsider the vote on Senate Bill No. 68 be laid on the table,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Townsend, the House adjourned until 10.30 o'clock to-morrow morning, March 13, 1903.

Friday, March 13, 1903---10.30 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Lingo, Lowe, Messick, Monaghan,, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker.

Journal read and approved.

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

House Bill No. 75, entitled:

An act for the better protection of fish in the waters of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal and its feeders in New Castle County,

House Bill No. 100, entitled:

An act to encourage the education at normal schools of certain persons intending to teach in the public schools,

House Bill No. 142, entitled:

An act to enable the Governor to appoint a Justice of the Peace for Sussex County, to reside at or near the Town of Concord,

House Bill No. 148, entitled:

An act authorizing the Trustees of the Poor of New Castle County to convey certain real estate in the City of Wilmington,

House Bill No. 174, entitled:

An act extending the lien and time for the collection of taxes for the year 1901, in the City of New Castle,

House Bill No. 180, entitled :

An act to provide for the protection and preservation of the memorial monument at Cooch's Bridge, erected to mark the spot upon which the Stars and Stripes were first unfurled in battle,

House Bill No. 186, entitled :

An act authorizing pupils in School District No. 115 in Kent County to attend school outside the district under certain conditions,

House Bill No. 202, entitled :

An act appropriating fifty dollars to Miranda Adams,

House Bill No. 215, entitled :

An act authorizing the Commissioners of School Districts Nos. 24 and 159, Sussex County, to borrow money to repair, rebuild, enlarge or remodel their school house,

House Joint Resolution No. 16, entitled :

Joint resolution appointing a joint committee to settle the accounts of the State Treasurer in January 1904,

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following Senate bills and Senate joint resolution :

Senate Bill No. 50, entitled :

An act in relation to foreign corporations doing business in this State,

Senate Bill No. 114, entitled :

An act for the encouragement of immigration and to foster the agricultural interests of the State,

Senate Joint Resolution No. 12, entitled :

Joint resolution appointing directors on the part of the

State for the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware, at Dover,  
And presented the same to the House.

Mr. Aspril offered a resolution, which, on his motion, was read as follows :

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be extended to our fellow member, Hon. Chas. Paradee, for the basket of apples furnished the members and officers of this House to-day,

And, on his further motion, Was adopted.

Mr. Tyre, on behalf of the Committee on Elections, to whom had been referred the following bills,

Senate Bill No. 105, entitled :

An act authorizing and directing the Levy Court of New Castle County to pay certain election expenses,

House Bill No. 270, entitled :

An act to divide the Tenth Representative District in Sussex County into two Levy Court Commissioners Districts and authorizing the Governor to appoint a Levy Court Commissioner for the Eleventh Levy Court Commissioner District of Sussex County,

House Bill No. 276, entitled :

An act in relation to printing and distributing the registration, ballot and other election laws of the State,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Townsend, on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 319, entitled :

An act in relation to the disposal of certain public lands belonging to the State,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Bancroft, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 87, entitled :

An act authorizing the appointment of a stenographic reporter for the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Bancroft, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom had been referred the bill,

Senate Bill No. 4, entitled:

An act to regulate the business of detectives within the State of Delaware,

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

Mr. Bancroft, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom had been referred the following bills,

Senate Bill No. 88, entitled:

An act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional Notary Public for Georgetown hundred, Sussex County, whose duties shall be confined to the business of the First National Bank of Georgetown,

House Bill No. 277, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 34 of the Revised Code of the Laws of Delaware, in relation to fines and forfeitures collected by constables,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Bancroft, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary, to whom had been referred the following bill,

House Bill No. 285, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 89 of the Revised Code of 1893, entitled, "Of the settlement of personal estates,"

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

Mr. Frazier, on behalf of the Committee on Accounts, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 325, entitled:

An act to further define and enlarge the duties of the Auditor of Accounts and persons having the custody of moneys belonging to the State,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Jones, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the following bills,

House Bill No. 336, entitled:

An act to further extend the corporate limits of the City of Wilmington,

House Bill No. 347, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 205, Vol. 17, Laws of Delaware, being an act to establish a Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Wilmington, and for other purposes,

House Bill No. 251, entitled:

An act authorizing the Commissioners of the Town of Delmar to borrow money and issue bonds to secure the payment thereof, for the purpose of providing a supply of water and lights for the Town of Delmar,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Flinn, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 354, entitled:

An act to extend the provisions of Chapter 48, Vol. 16, Laws of Delaware, and make them applicable to Sussex County,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Flinn, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 258, entitled:

An act authorizing the publication of the debates of the Convention that adopted the Constitution of the State of Delaware on June 4h, A. D. 1897,

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Holcomb, on behalf of the Committee on Banking and Insurance, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 353, entitled:

An act authorizing the Mayor and Council of Wilmington to levy and collect an annual tax from foreign fire insurance companies doing business in the City of Wilmington,

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Tyre, on behalf of the Committee on Public Highways, to whom had been referred the following bills,

House Bill No. 352, entitled:

An act regulating the making and improvement of county roads and the expenditure of money appropriated by Levy Courts for the purpose,

House Bill No. 334, entitled:

An act regulating the use of automobiles on public highways of the State,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Tyre, on behalf of the Committee on Public Highways, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 126, entitled:

An act in relation to roads and bridges passing over mill dams,

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

Mr. Bennett, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the following bills,

House Bill No. 309, entitled:

An act requiring the placing of safety gates at certain railroad crossing in Christiana hundred,

House Bill No. 273, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 70, Revised Code, providing for

services of process in suits against unincorporated associations doing business in the State,

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Bennett, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the following bills,

Senate Bill No. 99, entitled :

An act requiring the Secretary of State, in publishing the laws of the present session of the General Assembly, to publish the General Corporation Law of this State with all amendments made thereto at this session incorporated therein,

House Bill No. 244, entitled :

An act authorizing certain trust companies in this State to give bond for the faithful performance of their duties, without requiring such companies to give surety to such bonds,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Bennett, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the following bills,

House Bill No. 355, entitled :

An act to confirm and legalize the acts of certain corporations.

House Bill No. 230, entitled :

An act to regulate the price of illuminating gas and gas for heating and cooking purposes,

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Townsend, on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 227, entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 207, of Vol. 17, of the Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act to revise and consolidate the statutes relating to the City of Wilmington," as amended by Chap. 568, of Vol. 20, of the Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act in relation to the assessment and collection of taxes in the City of

Wilmington," fixing the lien and providing for the recording of municipal taxes in the City of Wilmington,

Reported the same back to the House favorably, as amended.

Mr. Townsend, on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 231, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 388 of Volume 20 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act in relation to the collection of taxes for New Castle County," fixing the lien and providing for the recording of taxes;

Reported the same back to the House favorably, as amended.

Mr. Tyre, in pursuance of previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 356), entitled:

An act requiring the County Comptroller of New Castle County to attend personally at his office in the City of Wilmington at least six hours each day of every week, Sundays, Saturdays and holidays excepted,

Which, on his motion, was read.

And further, on his motion, the bill was read a second time, by its title, and referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Bennett, the bill (S. B. No. 50), entitled:

An act in relation to foreign corporations doing business in this State,

Was read a first time.

And further, on his motion, the bill was read a second time, by its title, and referred to the Committee on Private Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Newton, the bill (S. B. No. 114), entitled:

An act for the encouragement of immigration and to foster the agricultural interests of the State,

Was read a first time.

And further, on his motion, the bill was read a second time, by its title, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Bancroft, in pursuance of previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 357), entitled:

An act in relation to the Attorney General of the State of Delaware,

Which, on his motion, was read.

And further, on his motion, the bill was read a second time, by its title, and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. Aspril, on behalf of the Committee on Appropriations, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 350, entitled:

Authorizing the Treasurer of the State of Delaware to pay Herbert Cassidy for services rendered and expenses incurred in the construction of the Delaware building at the World's Fair in Chicago, A. D. 1892,

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Aspril, on behalf of the Committee on Appropriations, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 349, entitled:

An act appropriating money for the payment of disbursements made or to be made in the defense of the action of New Jersey against the State of Delaware, in the Supreme Court of the United States,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Aspril, on behalf of the Committee on Appropriations, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 313, entitled:

An act appropriating to Edward W. Houston the sum of one hundred dollars for expenses for paper, printing and distributing tickets to be voted at an election held in the year 1891 for and against a constitutional convention,

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

On motion of Mr. Eastburn, the bill (H. B. No. 101), entitled:

An act proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article 5 of the Constitution of the State of Delaware, concerning the payment of a registration fee,

As amended,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---31.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

The following opinion of the Counsel of the House and of the Attorney General was presented and read:

Opinion of William L. Gooding and Francis M. Walker, Counsel of the House of Representatives, and Herbert H. Ward, Attorney General, upon House Bill No. 199, referred to them for their opinion as to its Constitutionality.

We, the undersigned, to whom was referred by resolution of the House of Representatives the question of the Constitutionality of House Bill No. 199, respectfully report:

That we have given the question submitted to us careful consideration. We are of the opinion that Section one of Article XIII of the Constitution contains two distinct methods of procuring the submission of the question of local option to the

voters of this State. That by the latter portion of said section : whenever a majority of all the members elected to each House of the General Assembly by the qualified electors in any district, named in Section 2 of said Article, shall request the submission of the question of license or no license to a vote of the qualified electors in said district, the General Assembly has no option but to pass an act providing for the submission of such question in such district. But we are also of the opinion that by the early part of said section general power is conferred upon the General Assembly to submit said question to the votes of the qualified electors throughout the State in all of the districts mentioned in said Article of the Constitution, or to the qualified voters of any one or more of said districts ; and that said power of submission by an act of the General Assembly to all or any one or more of said districts may be exercised by the passage of an act by the General Assembly without the particular request of any representatives from any particular district.

We are, therefore, of the opinion that House Bill No. 199 is Constitutional.

WILLIAM L. GOODING,  
FRANCIS M. WALKER,  
Counsel of the House.  
H. H. WARD, Attorney General.

On motion of Mr. Rose, the opinion of the Attorneys of the House and the Attorney General in regard to House Bill No. 199 was accepted and ordered spread upon the Journal of the House.

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

Providing for the submission to the vote of the qualified electors of the several districts of the State the question whether the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors shall be licensed or prohibited within the limits thereof,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

Mr. Allen moved that House Bill No. 199 be laid on the table,

Which motion

Was Lost.

Mr. Tyre moved that House Bill No. 199 be recommitted.

Mr. Townsend moved that the motion to recommit be laid on the table.

On the motion that the motion to recommit be laid on the table,

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hughes, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Powell, Townsend, Warren, Mr. Speaker---18.

Nays---Messrs. Allen, Connelly, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Jones, Monaghan, Morrison, Paradee, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre---13.

So the motion that the motion to recommit be laid on the table  
Prevailed.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Bancroft, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hughes, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Powell, Townsend, Warren---14.

Nays---Messrs. Allen, Connelly, Cook, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Jones, Monaghan, Morrison, Paradee, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---15.

So the question was decided in the negative, and the bill, not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was Lost.

Mr. Holcomb moved that the vote on House Bill No. 47 be reconsidered,

Which motion Prevailed.

Mr. Holcomb moved that House Bill No. 47 be recommitted,

Which motion Prevailed.

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

House Bill No. 107, entitled :

An act to appropriate money for the repayment to Sussex County of the sum paid to the State Treasurer by the County Treasurer of Sussex County, from the funds arising under an act, entitled, "An act to equalize taxation for State and County purposes," Chapter 381, Volume 20, Laws of Delaware, and the acts amendatory thereof,

House Bill No. 81, entitled :

An act to amend Section 1 of the act, entitled, "An act to authorize and empower the commissioners of United School Districts Nos. 113 and 113½ to borrow money to repair, rebuild, enlarge or remodel their school house, or otherwise provide for a better and more suitable site or more commodious school facilities in and for said district," approved March 23rd, A. D. 1901, being Chapter 129, Volume 22, Laws of Delaware, by striking out certain words of said Section 1 and inserting in lieu thereof other words,

House Bill No. 129, entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 157, Volume 22, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act authorizing a special tax to provide a special fund for the purchase of oyster shells for the county roads of the First Election District of the Third Representative District of Sussex County," by decreasing the rate of taxation,

House Bill No. 8, entitled :

An act in relation to estates of aliens, and to complete their title to the same.

House Bill No. 150, entitled :

An act to empower the heirs of Ann Anderson to sell certain real estate in North Murderkill hundred in Kent County, and to make valid conveyances relating thereto.

House Bill No. 120, entitled :

A supplement to an act, entitled, "An act respecting a free

library, and to increase the usefulness of the schools of Wilmington," passed April 26th, 1893, being Chapter 734, Volume 19, Delaware Laws, authorizing larger payments by the Mayor and Council of Wilmington, toward the support of free libraries and reading rooms in the City of Wilmington.

House Bill No. 108, entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 53, of Volume 15, of the Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act to establish a Board of Education for the Town of Lewes and to incorporate the same, and for other purposes," as extended and continued by Chapter 24, of Volume 20, of the Laws of Delaware, by increasing the amount authorized to be raised by taxation.

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

An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act to provide for a Municipal Police Commission for the City of Wilmington," passed at Dover April 18, 1893, being Chap. 731, of Vol. 19, Laws of Delaware, by providing for an increase in the salaries of the Chief of Police, the two Captains of Police, the ten Sergeants of Police, and the ordinary Policemen of the City of Wilmington,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---30.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Newton moved to reconsider the vote on House Bill No. 249,

Which motion Prevailed.

Mr. Newton moved that House Bill No. 249 be again placed on its final passage,

Which motion Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Austin, the bill (H. B. No. 249), entitled :

An act to appropriate four thousand dollars for the erection, alteration and repair of buildings at the State College for Colored Students,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---29.

Nays---Messrs. Allen, Connelly---2.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Tyre moved that Chief Justice Lore be given a vote of thanks for the eloquent explanation of House Bill No. 249,

Which motion Prevailed.

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

House Bill No. 187, entitled :

An act to provide State supervision over State banks, savings banks, building and loan associations, trust companies, safe, deposit, guarantee, surety and bonding corporations in the State of Delaware,

And returned the same to the House.

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

An act in relation to the Ferris Industrial School,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Gehman, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Powell, Price, Purnell, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---22.

Nays---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Cook, Flinn, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb---7.

So the question was decided in the negative, and the bill, not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was Lost.

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

Senate Bill No. 113, entitled :

An act to incorporate the New Castle Development Trust Company,

And presented the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the House took a recess until 2 o'clock, p. m.

Same Day---2 o'clock, P. M.

House re-assembled after noon recess.

Mr. Flinn moved that the vote on House Bill No. 220 be reconsidered.

On the motion that the vote be reconsidered,

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Bancroft, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Gehman, Hart, Hughes, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Newton, Powell, Price, Purnell, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren---20.

Nays---Messrs. Allen, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Frazier, Gooden, Holcomb, Jones, Morrison, Paradee, Rose, Mr. Speaker---12.

So the motion that the vote be reconsidered      Prevailed.

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

House Bill No. 216, entitled:

An act to incorporate the New Castle Trust Company,

House Bill No. 217, entitled:

An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act to provide for a Municipal Police Commission for the City of Wilmington," passed at Dover April 18, 1893, being Chapter 731, of Vol. 19, Laws of Delaware, by providing for an increase in the salaries of the Chief of Police, the two Captains of Police, the ten Sergeants of Police and the ordinary Policemen of the City of Wilmington,

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. Holcomb asked that House Joint Resolution No. 25, entitled:

House joint resolution to regulate the sale and disposal of the Duke of York's Records,

Be read.

Mr. Holcomb moved that the joint resolution be adopted.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Bennett, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Messick, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---23.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the joint resolution having received the required constitutional majority,

Was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

House Bill No. 94, entitled:

An act to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery in the State of Delaware,

House Bill No. 246, entitled:

An act authorizing the appointment of an additional Notary Public for New Castle County, to reside in the City of Wilmington,

House Bill No. 219, entitled:

An act authorizing the Governor to appoint a Notary Public for the office of Peter J. Ford and Company, of Wilmington, Delaware,

And returned the same to the House.

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

An act to amend the Constitution of the State of Delaware, by increasing the representation for the City of Wilmington in the General Assembly,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Buckmaster, Connelly, Hart, Holcomb, Jones, Monaghan, Morrison, Rose---8.

Nays---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Bancroft, Bennett, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hughes, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---24.

So the question was decided in the negative, and the bill, not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was Lost.

Mr. Baynum, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House bills and joint resolutions:

House Bill No. 345, entitled:

An act to change the name of William Lee to William L. Dockstader,

House Bill No. 145, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 285, Vol. 21, Laws of Delaware, being entitled, "An act to incorporate the Town of Dagsboro,"

House Bill No. 140, entitled:

An act authorizing honorary discharged soldiers and sailors to follow the occupation of book agent, without procuring license therefor,

House Bill No. 234, entitled:

An act to provide for the payment of certain expenses in-

curred in the burial of certain indigent soldiers, sailors or mariners,

House Bill No. 254, entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 54, Vol. 22, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act re-organizing the Levy Court of Sussex County and defining its powers and duties," by increasing the compensation of the members of said court,

House Joint Resolution No. 22,

House joint resolution authorizing the Secretary of State to have printed 3000 copies of the General Corporation Law,

House Joint Resolution No. 24, entitled :

House joint resolution authorizing the Secretary of State to have printed the election laws,

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had non-concurred in the following House bill :

House Bill No. 79, entitled :

An act in relation to the fees from liquor licenses in incorporated towns,

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House bill :

House Bill No. 226, entitled :

An act amending an act, entitled, "An act providing for the establishing and maintenance of Free Public Libraries." approved March 9th, A. D. 1901, making school districts the centers for free libraries, and for other purposes,

And returned the same to the House.

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

An act in relation to the Ferris Industrial School,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further mo-

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

Mr. Rose presented an amendment,  
Which was accepted.

Mr. Holcomb offered an amendment to amendment.

Mr. Flinn moved that the amendment to amendment be laid on the table,

Which motion Was Lost.

Mr. Tyre moved that amendment to amendment be indefinitely postponed.

On the motion that amendment to amendment be indefinitely postponed,

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Bancroft, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Jones, Lawson, Newton, Powell, Price, Rose, Townsend, Tyre, Warren---16.

Nays---Messrs. Allen, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Paradee, Purnell, Thompson, Mr. Speaker---15.

So the motion Prevailed.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Bancroft, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Hart, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Newton, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren---17.

Nays---Messrs. Allen, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Morrison, Paradee, Powell, Mr. Speaker---15.

So the question was decided in the negative and the bill, not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was Lost.

Mr. Tyre moved that the vote on Senate Bill No. 19 be reconsidered.

Mr. Connelly moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table.

On the motion that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table,

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Bancroft, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Monaghan, Rose---11.

Nays---Messrs. Austin, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---22.

So the motion that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table

Was Lost

On the motion that vote on Senate Bill No. 19 be reconsidered,

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

Yeas---Messrs. Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---23.

Nays---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Gooden, Hart, Hughes, Monaghan, Rose---10.

So the motion

Prevailed.

Mr. Monaghan moved that further action on Senate Bill No. 19 be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Tyre moved that the motion to postpone action be laid on the table.

On the motion that the motion to postpone action be laid on the table,

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

Yeas---Messrs. Austin, Bennett, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---18.

Nays---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Bancroft, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Hart, Hughes, Monaghan, Morrison, Rose---14.

So the motion

Prevailed.

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

An act authorizing the Prothonotary of New Castle County to make certain judgment indices, and appointing commissioners to examine and certify to the same,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Austin, Bennett, Frazier, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---16.

Nays---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Bancroft, Buckmaster, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Monaghan, Rose---14.

So the question was decided in the negative, and the bill, not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was Lost.

Mr. Buckmaster moved that the vote on House Bill No. 149 be reconsidered,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Buckmaster, House Bill No. 149 was re-committed.

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

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

House Bill No. 70, entitled :

An act to re-incorporate the Commissioners of Rehoboth,  
With Senate amendments,

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following Senate bill :

Senate Bill No. 51, entitled :

An act providing for a contingent fund for the Secretary of State,

And presented the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Flinn, the bill (S. B. No. 11), entitled :

An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act to provide for a stenographer for certain courts of this State," being Chap. 115, Vol. 21, Laws of Delaware,

With amendment,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Bancroft, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Price, Rose, Thompson, Townsend---20.

Nays---Messrs. Austin, Bennett, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Jones, Messick, Powell, Purnell, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker--12.

So the question was decided in the negative, and the bill, not having received the required constitutional majority.

Was Lost.

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

On motion of Mr. Speaker, the bill (S. B. No. 51), entitled :

An act providing for a contingent fund for the Secretary of State,

Was read a first time.

And further, on his motion, the bill was read a second time, by its title, and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. Aspril, on behalf of the Committee on Appropriations, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 47, entitled :

An act in relation to a State Sanatorium for consumptives,

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

On motion of Mr. Speaker, the bill (S. B. No. 113), entitled :

An act to incorporate the New Castle Development Trust Company,

Was read a first time.

And further, on his motion, the bill was read a second time, by its title, and referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the bill (H. B. No. 47), entitled :

An act in relation to a State Sanatorium for Consumptives,

As amended,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier,

Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Jones, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Price, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---27.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

House Bill No. 187, entitled:

An act to provide State supervision over State banks, savings banks, building and loans associations, trust companies, safe deposit, guarantee, surety and bonding corporations in the State of Delaware.

Mr. Austin offered a resolution, which, on his motion, was read as follows:

Resolved, That owing to the additional work to be done by the Enrolling Clerk, he be allowed to procure additional help,

And, on his further motion, Was adopted.

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

An act to equalize taxation for State, county and municipal purposes,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hol-

comb, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---25.

Nays---Messrs. Bancroft, Flinn, Hart, Hughes, Purnell, Rose---6.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act to amend Chapter 216, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act to provide and establish a State Board of Agriculture, and to prescribe its powers and duties,"

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---33.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the vote on House Bill No. 220 was reconsidered.

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

An act in relation to the Ferris Industrial School,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---30.

Nays---Messrs. Messick, Powell---2.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Senate Joint Resolution No. 14, entitled:

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

And presented the same to the House.

The following report was presented and read:

Dover, March 13, 1903.

Joint Committee appointed to consult with Kent County Levy Court to provide for rooms in the Kent County Court House for the State Library Commission, State Board of Agriculture and Insurance Commissioner, report back to the House that above named court has granted one room for the State Library Commission, free of charge, as long as said court deems it advisable to so do. On thirty days notice will rent two more

rooms, at the normal price of three dollars per month for each room. We recommend the offer be accepted and court be notified.

T. E. WARREN,  
W. H. GEHMAN,  
C. H. PARADEE.

House Committee:

THOMAS C. MOORE,  
J. R. CLEMENTS.

Senate Committee:

On motion of Mr. Gehman, the report was accepted and ordered spread on the Journal.

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

House Bill No. 192, entitled:

An act to repeal Section 4 and Section 5 of Chapter 293 of Volume 21 of the Laws of Delaware, relating to guardians' accounts,

House Bill No. 193, entitled:

An act to amend Section 7 of Chapter 124 of the Revised Code, relating to exceptions to executors', administrators' and guardians' accounts,

House Bill No. 190, entitled:

An act to repeal Chapter 292 of Volume 21 of the Laws of Delaware, relating to guardians' accounts,

House Bill No. 188, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 159 of Volume 13 of the Laws of Delaware,

House Bill No. 191, entitled:

An act relating to guardians of minors,

House Bill No. 194, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 96 of the Revised Code, relating to the Orphans' Court,

House Bill No. 110, entitled :

An act appropriating certain funds of the State to be expended in the propagation of sturgeon,

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. Lawson, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred the bill :

House Bill No. 149, entitled :

An act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 112 of Volume 22 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act prescribing the method of apportioning the Public School Fund among the school districts of this State," by increasing the appropriation for general school purposes,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the bill (H. B. No. 329), entitled :

An act authorizing the several counties of this State to sue and be sued,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Rose, Townsend, Warren, Mr. Speaker---27.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Holcomb moved that the vote on House Bill No. 165 be reconsidered,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, House Bill No. 165 was made a special order for to-morrow at 10.30 o'clock, a. m.

On motion of Mr. Buckmaster, the bill (H. B. No. 149), entitled:

An act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 112 of Volume 22 of the Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act prescribing the method of apportioning the Public School Fund among the school districts of this State," by increasing the appropriation for general school purposes,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---33.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

Senate Bill No. 118, entitled:

An act to incorporate Clayton Savings Loan and Trust Company,

And presented the same to the House.

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

An act to reincorporate the Town of Delmar, in Sussex County,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---27.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Flinn moved that the House convene at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning, March 14th, and hold one session until 11.45 a. m.,

Which motion

Prevailed.

On motion of Holcomb, the bill (H. B. No. 311), entitled :

An act authorizing the Mayor and Council of New Castle to borrow a sum of money not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars for the permanent and substantial improvement of the City of New Castle,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Powell, Price, Rose, Thompson, Mr. Speaker---26.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act authorizing the Board of Education of the Public Schools of Milford to provide a new school building, and to borrow money to pay for the same,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Powell, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---26.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gehman, the House took a recess until 7.30 o'clock, p. m.

Same Day---7.30 o'clock, P. M.

House reconvened at expiration of recess.

On motion of Mr. Jones, House Bill No. 53 was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Connelly, House Bill No. 166 was laid on table.

On motion of Mr. Tyre, House Bill No. 136 was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Rose, further action on House Bill No. 152 was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Buckmaster, House Bill No. 95 was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Rose, House Bill No. 287 was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Flinn, House Bill No. 159 was laid on the table.

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

An act authorizing the Levy Court Commissioners of New Castle County to refund the New Castle County Workhouse loan,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Flinn, Frazier, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Price, Thompson, Mr. Speaker---18.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act for the better protection of female and other employees," passed at Dover May 10, 1897, by prohibiting the employment of child labor under fourteen years of age,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Flinn, Frazier, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Monaghan, Morrison, Price, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---20.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence

Mr. Jones, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporation, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 164, entitled:

An act to provide for the appointment of a gas inspector for the City of Wilmington,

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

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the bill (H. B. No. 326), entitled:

An act creating a commission to offer to the National Government two statues of prominent Delawareans for Statuary Hall in the Capitol at Washington,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Gehman, Hart, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---22.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act to provide for the appointment of a gas inspector for the city of Wilmington,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---25.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act authorizing the Commissioners of Roads of Brandywine hundred to fund the floating debt of said hundred, and providing for the payment thereof,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---25.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Monaghan, the bill (H. B. No. 82), entitled :

An act giving the Municipal Court of the City of Wilmington jurisdiction in relation to the carrying of concealed deadly weapons,

With amendment,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Price, Rose, Thompson, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nay---Mr. Tyre---1.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bancroft, the bill (H. B. No. 189), entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 89 of the Revised Code,

With amendment,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Gehman, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Morrison, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---23.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, with amendment, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act to amend Chapter 418, Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, changing the time and manner when applicants for the sale of intoxicating liquors shall make oath to such application,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Morrison, Price, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---20.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the bill (H. B. No. 330), entitled:

An act vesting certain powers in the Board of Pardons, in reference to the Ferris Industrial School,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Flinn, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Price, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---19.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

An act to abolish the office of collectors of poll taxes or collectors of capitation taxes for the City of Wilmington, and to impose the duty of collecting the capitation taxes in the City of Wilmington upon the Receiver of Taxes for New Castle County,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Flinn, Frazier, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Powell, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---22.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Frazier, the bill (H. B. No. 333), entitled :

An act to provide for the payment of fuel for the State House,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmas-

ter, Cook, Derrickson, Flinn, Frazier, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---20.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Flinn, the bill (S. B. No. 81), entitled:

An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act to revise and consolidate the statutes relating to the City of Wilmington," being Chapter 207, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, exempting from taxation the lands and tenements of charitable houses and houses of refuge for reformed women,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---25.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Flinn, the bill (S. B. No. 82), entitled:

An act to exempt from taxation the lands and tenements of charitable homes and homes of refuge for reformed women,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Gehman, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Aspril, the bill (S. B. No. 25), entitled:

An act authorizing the Governor to appoint an additional Notary Public for St. Georges hundred, New Castle County, to reside in the Town of Odessa,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Price, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---20.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Thompson, the bill (S. B. No. 80), entitled:

An act to authorize and empower the School Commissioners of School District No. 88 in Sussex County to erect and construct a new school building, and to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding eight hundred dollars to pay the expenses of erecting and constructing such building and furnishing the same,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Flinn, Frazier, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Price, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---20.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Austin, the bill (S. B. No. 48), entitled:

An act limiting the time within which prosecutions for crimes shall be commenced,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft Bennett, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Flinn, Frazier, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Price, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---19.

Nay---Mr. Buckmaster---1.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Thompson, the bill (S. B. No. 109), entitled:

An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act to reincorporate the Town of Laurel," Chapter 186, Volume 22, Laws of Delaware,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Morrison, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the bill (H. B. No. 327), entitled:

An act providing that at the next and following general assessment of property for county, road and poor purposes in New Castle hundred, New Castle County, the assessment of the City of New Castle be kept separate from the balance of New Castle hundred,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Monaghan, Price, Thompson, Mr. Speaker---19.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Flinn, the House adjourned until eight o'clock to-morrow morning, March 14, 1903.

Saturday, March 14, 1903---8 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Gehman, Hart, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Morrison, Paradee, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Gehman, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

Mr. Jones, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the following bills :

House Bill No. 262, entitled :

An act to protect the health of the citizens of Wilmington,

Senate Bill No. 56, entitled :

An act granting additional powers to the collectors of taxes in the City of New Castle to collect taxes,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Jones, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the bill :

House Bill No. 239, entitled :

An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act to revise and consolidate the statutes relating to the City of Wilmington," being Chapter 207, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, authorizing the Mayor and Council of Wilmington to borrow money and providing for its expenditures,

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

Mr. Bennett, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the bill:

House Bill No. 274, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 90 of Volume 14, Laws of Delaware, making unincorporated associations doing business in this State subject to the attachment laws of the State,

Reported the same back to the House unfavorably.

Mr. Bennett, on behalf of the Committee on Private Corporations, to whom had been referred the bill:

Senate Bill No. 50, entitled:

An act in relation to foreign corporations doing business in this State,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Lawson, on behalf of the Committee on Education, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 294, entitled:

An act to authorize and empower the Commissioners of School District No. 91 in Sussex County to borrow money to build a new school house, or otherwise provide for a better and more suitable site or more commodious school facilities in and for said district,

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

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

House Bill No. 169, entitled:

An act for the relief of United School Districts Nos. 23 and 75 and also 110 in New Castle County,

House Bill No. 202, entitled:

An act appropriating fifty dollars to Miranda Adams,

House Bill No. 142, entitled:

An act to enable the Governor to appoint a Justice of the Peace for Sussex County, to reside at or near the Town of Concord,

House Bill No. 217, entitled:

An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act to provide for a Municipal Police Commission for the City of Wilmington" passed at Dover, April 18th, 1893, being Chapter 731, Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, by providing for an increase in the salaries of the Chief of Police, the two Captains of Police, the ten Sergeants of Police and the ordinary Policemen of the City of Wilmington,

House Bill No. 215, entitled:

An act authorizing the Commissioners of School Districts Nos. 24 and 159 of Sussex County to borrow money to repair, rebuild, enlarge or remodel their school house.

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

House Joint Resolution No. 16, entitled:

Joint resolution appointing a joint committee to settle the accounts of the State Treasurer in January, 1904,

House Bill No. 75, entitled:

An act for the better protection of fish in the waters of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal and its feeders in New Castle County,

House Bill No. 100, entitled:

An act to encourage the education at normal schools of certain persons intending to teach in the public schools,

House Bill No. 109, entitled:

An act authorizing the Board of Public Education for the Town of Lewes to borrow money, and issue bonds to secure the payment thereof, for the purpose of making additions to and improvements in the school houses in Consolidated School Districts Nos. 14, 15, 110 and 112 in Sussex County.

House Bill No. 186, entitled:

An act authorizing pupils in School District No. 115 in Kent County to attend a school outside the district under certain conditions.

Mr. Aspril, on behalf of the Committee on Appropriations, to whom had been referred the bill:

House Bill No. 357, entitled:

An act in relation to the Attorney General of the State of Delaware,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Messick, on behalf of the Committee on Claims, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 279, entitled:

An act to pay back to the Levy Court Commissioners of New Castle County certain money paid to the State of Delaware under the Adams tax law,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Austin, on behalf of the Committee on Miscellaneous Business, to whom had been referred the following bills:

House Bill No. 261, entitled:

An act to make dogs personal property and to prescribe the punishment for the theft or killing thereof,

House Bill No. 312, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 162, Volume 22, of the Laws of Delaware, by providing that the provision of said account shall not apply to hawkers and peddlers of farm produce, fish and oysters,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Flinn, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred the bill:

House Bill No. 306, entitled:

An act proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Delaware, for the purpose of dividing New Castle Coun-

ty into two counties, and providing for the territorial limits and government thereof,

Reported the same back to the House without recommendation.

Mr. Gehman, in pursuance to previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 358), entitled:

An act to authorize the Street and Sewer Department of the City of Wilmington to open certain streets in said City of Wilmington,

Which, on his motion, was read.

And further, on his motion, the bill was read a second time, by its title, and referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Holcomb, the bill (S. B. No. 118), entitled:

An act to incorporate Clayton Savings Loan and Trust Company,

Was read a first time.

And further, on his motion, the bill was read a second time, by its title, and referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance.

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

House Bill No. 94, entitled:

An act to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery in the State of Delaware.

On motion of Mr. Jones, the bill (H. B. No. 279), entitled:

An act to pay back to the Levy Court Commissioners of Castle County certain money paid to the State of Delaware under the Adams tax law,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House, under suspension of rule 27.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Paradee, Powell, Price, Rose, Thompson, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bancroft, the bill (H. B. No. 248), entitled:

An act to enable property owners in the City of Wilmington where properties may be damaged by change of grade to obtain compensation therefor,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Holcomb, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Morrison, Paradee, Powell, Price, Rose, Thompson, Warren, Mr. Speaker---24.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Frazier, the bill (H. B. No. 347), entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 205, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, being, "An act to establish a Board of Water Commissioners for the City of iWilmington, and for other purposes,"

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---25.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bennett, House Bill No. 98 was recommitted.

On motion of Mr. Rose, the bill (H. B. No. 352), entitled:

An act regulating the making and improvement of county roads and the expenditure of money appropriated by Levy Courts for the purpose,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, New-

ton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Mr. Speaker---26.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Jones, the bill (H. B. No. 239), entitled:

An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act to revise and consolidate the statutes relating to the City of Wilmington," being Chapter 207, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, authorizing the Mayor and Council of Wilmington to borrow money and providing for its expenditures,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Rose, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---27.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, with amendment, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rose, the bill (S. B. No. 37), entitled:

An act to change the voting place in the Second Election District of the Eleventh Representative District in New Castle County,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Hughes, Lawson, Messick, Morrison, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---25.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Buckmaster, the bill (H. B. No. 5), entitled:

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

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Hughes, Jones, Monaghan, Morrison, Paradee, Price, Rose, Tyre---17.

Nays---Messrs. Gehman, Hart, Messick, Powell, Purnell, Warren, Mr. Speaker---7.

So the question was decided in the negative, and the bill, not having received the required constitutional majority,

Was Lost.

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

An act to supplement and amend Chapter 750, Volume 19, of the Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Town of Millsboro," by changing the limits and bounds of said town as established by the Commissioners thereof,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---25.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, as amended, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Aspril, on behalf of the Committee on Appropriations, to whom had been referred the bill,

Senate Bill No. 51, entitled:

An act providing for a contingent fund for the Secretary of State,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

On motion of Mr. Paradee, the bill (S. B. No. 54), entitled:

An act to reincorporate the Town of Cheswold,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas—Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Paradee, Powell, Price, Rose, Thompson, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---28.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

Mr. Frazier moved that House Bill No. 165 be taken up for consideration.

Mr. Bancroft moved that the motion to take up House Bill No. 165 be deferred until Monday at 10.30 o'clock.

Mr. Holcomb moved that the motion of Mr. Bancroft be laid on the table.

On the motion to lay on the table the motion to defer action,

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

Yeas---Messrs. Bennett, Connelly, Frazier, Gehman, Holcomb, Jones, Powell, Price, Thompson, Tyre, Warren---11.

Nays---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Hart, Hughes, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Rose, Townsend, Mr. Speaker---16.

So the motion

Was Lost.

The motion of Mr. Bancroft prevailed.

Mr. Hughes offered a resolution, which, on his motion, was read as follows:

House resolution providing for a conference committee of three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate in relation to House Bill No. 35, entitled, "An act making illegitimate children the heirs of their mother."

Whereas, There is a difference between the House and Senate in reference to House Bill No. 35,

Therefore, Be it resolved by the House, That a Committee of three be appointed by the Speaker to confer with a committee of two on the part of the Senate in relation to House Bill No. 35 and that the Senate be requested to appoint such committee on its part.

Resolved further, That said conferees report as soon as possible.

Mr. Hughes moved that the resolution be adopted.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Hughes, Jones, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Paradee, Powell, Price, Rose, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---25.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the resolution was adopted.

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

House Bill No. 295, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 167, Volume 22, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act providing a General Corporation Law."

He informed the House that the Senate had non-concurred in the following House bills:

House Bill No. 139, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 653, Vol. 19, Laws of Delaware, passed at Dover, April 19, 1893, being an act entitled, "An act to repeal all statutes relating to planting, propagating, dredging, tonging or taking oysters from the natural beds or plantations

in the Delaware Bay and its tributaries, and to re-enact the same or parts thereof with amendments," by providing that the residence of the collector of the Oyster Revenue may be at any other place than at or near the village of Little Creek,

House Bill No. 52, entitled :

A supplement to the act entitled, "An act concerning the establishment of a General System of Free Public Schools", approved May 12th, 1898, relating to the alteration, creation and union of school districts, and to the apportionment of the school fund,

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House bills :

House Bill No. 112, entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 464, Vol. 20, Laws of Delaware, being an act entitled, "An act for the protection of oysters in Murderkill River and in St. Jones' River," passed at Dover, May 12th, 1897, by providing that the time to take or catch oysters in Murderkill River and in St. Jones River be changed,

House Bill No. 225, entitled :

An act to amend Chapter 99, Volume 21, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act to re-enact and revise the insurance laws of Delaware, in order to make them conform with the requirements of the amended Constitution and of the general corporation law,"

House Bill No. 296, entitled :

An act to amend an act entitled, "An act to raise revenue for the State by taxing certain corporations,"

And returned the same to the House.

He also returned to the House the following duly and correctly enrolled House bills, the same having been signed by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate :

House Bill No. 187, entitled :

An act to provide State supervision over State banks, savings

banks, building and loan associations, trust companies, safe deposit, guarantee, surety and bonding corporations in the State of Delaware.

He also informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House bills:

House Bill No. 198, entitled:

An act proposing amendments to Article 9 of the Constitution of the State of Delaware, concerning corporations,

House Bill No. 289, entitled:

An act to amend an act providing a General Corporation Law, providing for the incorporation of companies for the drainage and reclamation of low lands,

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Bennett, the bill (S. B. No. 50), entitled:

An act in relation to foreign corporations doing business in this State,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Austin, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Paradee, Powell, Price, Rose, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---26.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

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

Mr. Holcomb, on behalf of the Committee on Banking and Insurance, to whom had been referred House Joint Resolution No. 23, entitled:

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

Reported a substitute resolution favorably.

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

House Bill No. 249, entitled:

An act to appropriate four thousand dollars for the erection, alteration and repair of buildings at the State College for Colored Students,

And returned the same to the House.

Mr. Holcomb asked that Senate Joint Resolution No. 12, entitled:

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

Be read.

Mr. Holcomb moved that the joint resolution be concurred in.

On the question, "Shall the joint resolution be concurred in?"

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Paradee, Powell, Price, Rose, Warren, Mr. Speaker---23.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the joint resolution having received the required constitutional majority,

Was concurred in.

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

Mr. Holcomb asked that Senate Joint Resolution No. 14, entitled:

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

Be read.

Mr. Holcomb moved that the joint resolution be concurred in.

On the question, "Shall the joint resolution be concurred in?"

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Connelly, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Gehman, Hart, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Paradee, Powell, Price, Rose, Warren, Mr. Speaker---20.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the joint resolution, having received the required constitutional majority,

Was concurred in.

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

On motion of Mr. Jones, the bill (H. B. No. 28a), entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 393 of Vol. 20, Laws of Delaware, the same being, "An act to provide for the purity of primary elections in New Castle County," giving the right to all qualified voters at the general election to vote at the subsequent municipal primary elections in the City of Wilmington,

Was taken up for consideration, and, on his further motion, was read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

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

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

Yeas---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Paradee, Powell, Price, Rose, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker---28.

Nays---None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the bill, having received the required constitutional majority,

Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

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

House Bill No. 249, entitled:

An act to appropriate four thousand dollars for the erection, alteration and repair of buildings at the State College for Colored Students.

On motion of Mr. Flinn, the House adjourned until Monday morning, February 16, 1903, at 10.30 o'clock.

Monday, March 16, 1903---10.30 o'clock, A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called. Members present---Messrs. Allen, Aspril, Austin, Bancroft, Bennett, Buckmaster, Connelly, Cook, Derrickson, Eastburn, Flinn, Frazier, Gehman, Gooden, Hart, Holcomb, Hughes, Jones, Lawson, Lowe, Messick, Monaghan, Morrison, Newton, Paradee, Powell, Price, Purnell, Rose, Thompson, Townsend, Tyre, Warren, Mr. Speaker.

Reading of Journal dispensed with.

Mr. Jones, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the following bills,

Senate Bill No. 61, entitled:

An act to amend Section 126 of an act, entitled, "An act to revise and consolidate the statutes relating to the City of Wilmington," passed April 13th, A. D. 1883, and authorizing change in the city plans,

Senate Bill No. 60, entitled:

An act to further amend an act, entitled, "An act in relation to the streets and sewers of the City of Wilmington," passed April 20th, A. D. 1887, by authorizing changes of the course of streets,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Messick, on behalf of the Committee on Claims, to whom had been referred the bill,

House Bill No. 98, entitled:

An act fixing an annual salary for the Coroner of Kent County and the Coroner of Sussex County,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Jones, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the bill,

Senate Bill No. 94, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 168, Volume 18, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act in relation to the Town of Felton,"

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

Mr. Holcomb, on behalf of the Committee on Banking and Insurance, to whom had been referred the following bills,

Senate Bill No. 113, entitled:

An act to incorporate the New Castle Development Trust Company,

Senate Bill No. 118, entitled:

An act to incorporate Clayton Savings Loan and Trust Company,

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

The following appointments on committees were made, on part of the House:

Committee on Reunion of Legislature at St. Louis in 1904: Messrs. Holcomb, Newton and Townsend.

Committee to settle with State Treasurer and Secretary of State in 1904: Messrs. Rose, Austin and Frazier.

Mr. Jones, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred the following bills,

House Bill No. 90, entitled:

An act to alter and re-establish the Charter of the City of Wilmington,

House Bill No. 338, entitled:

An act to abolish all commissions in the City of Wilmington,

Reported the same back to the House, without recommendation.

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

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

House Bill No. 70, entitled :

An act to reincorporate the Commissioners of Rehoboth.

Mr. Baynum, Clerk of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following House bills and House joint resolutions,

House Bill No. 316, entitled :

An act requiring the County Comptroller of New Castle County to examine and audit the accounts of the Sheriff of said county, and report to the Levy Court of said county the amount of fees and costs collected by said sheriff previous to each audit, said audit and reports to be made in the last week of March, June, September and December, of each year, and only to be made concerning the three months next preceding the first day of the month next succeeding the time they are by this act required to be made,

House Bill No. 293, entitled :

An act limiting judgment liens upon real estate in Kent and Sussex Counties, and for other purposes,

House Bill No. 164, entitled :

An act to provide for the appointment of a gas inspector for the City of Wilmington,

House Bill No. 224, entitled :

An act providing for the use of iron pipes for small bridges in Kent County,

House Bill No. 67, entitled :

An act to authorize the Recorder of Deeds in and for Sussex County to make new indices for deeds,

House Bill No. 135, entitled :

Amendments to an act in relation to the Delaware Industrial School for Girls,

House Bill No. 209, entitled :

An act to change the boundaries of the Town of Newark, and to establish new boundaries for said town,

House Bill No. 235, entitled:

An act for the protection of oysters,

House Bill No. 226, entitled:

An act amending an act, entitled, "An act providing for the establishment and maintenance of Free Public Libraries," approved March 9th, A. D. 1901, making school districts the centers for free libraries, and for other purposes,

House Bill No. 297, entitled:

An act to authorize the Town Commissioners of Frederica to repair and improve the town hall of said town, and to borrow money for that purpose,

House Bill No. 175, entitled:

An act to authorize the Prothonotary of Kent County to remove Revised Codes of 1852 to the State Library,

House Bill No. 171, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 199, Vol. 22, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act to re-incorporate the Town of Lewes," by providing for vacancies in the Board of Commissioners of said town, and increasing the powers of the Treasurer in the collection of taxes,

House Joint Resolution No. 23, entitled:

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

House Joint Resolution No. 25, entitled:

Joint resolution to regulate the sale and disposal of Duke of York's Records,

And returned the same to the House.

He also informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following Senate bills:

Senate Bill No. 120, entitled:

An act relating to the public welfare of the State, amended to read as follows: "An act to incorporate Baltimore Trust Company,"

Senate Bill No. 43, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 379, Volume 16, Laws of Delaware, published as amended in the Revised Code of 1893, entitled, "An act to prevent the spread of contagious or infectious pleuro pneumonia among the cattle of this State," by making bovine tuberculosis subject to the provisions thereof,

Senate Bill No. 76, entitled:

An act in relation to the amendment of laws,

Senate Bill No. 103, entitled:

An act proposing an amendment to Chapter 8 of the Constitution of the State of Delaware,

Senate Bill No. 91, entitled:

An act for the regulation of the sales of goods in bulk,

Senate Bill No. 110, entitled:

An act to better establish the identity of a race of people known as the offspring of the Nanticoke Indians,

Senate Bill No. 116, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 176, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act to reincorporate the Town of Seaford,"

And presented the same to the House.

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

Senate Bill No. 48, entitled:

An act limiting the time within which prosecutions for crimes shall be commenced.

Senate Bill No. 77, entitled:

An act changing the hour of the day for holding the school

election in United Districts Nos. 77, 99 and 99½ in New Castle County.

Senate Bill No. 74, entitled:

An act to enable the Town of Laurel to improve its water system, by borrowing money and issuing bonds.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 11, entitled:

Joint resolution in relation to certain offices in the Court House at Dover.

Senate Bill No. 75, entitled:

An act authorizing the construction, extension and improvement of sewers in the Town of Dover, and empowering the Town Council to borrow money to pay for the same.

Senate Bill No. 42, entitled:

An act to enable the Town of Laurel to borrow money and issue bonds for the purpose of refunding a debt due the Sussex Trust, Title and Safe Deposit Company, of Laurel, Delaware.

Senate Bill No. 79, entitled:

An act to amend Chapter 375, Vol. 15, of the Laws of Delaware, entitled, "An act for the relief of the idiotic children of the State of Delaware."

Senate Bill No. 58, entitled:

An act to prevent the procuring of deposits of money in this State without lawful authority.

Senate Bill No. 71, entitled:

An act to exempt certain lands and tenements of all charitable homes for incurables from taxation for county purposes.

Senate Bill No. 72, entitled:

An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act to revise and consolidate the statutes relating to the City of Wilmington," being Chapter 207, Volume 17, Laws of Delaware, exempting from taxation the lands and tenements of all charitable homes for incurables.

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

House Joint Resolution No. 20, entitled:

House joint resolution appointing a joint committee to confer with the Trustees of New Castle County Workhouse and with the Judges of the State Courts in relation to the employment of the prisoners convicted in the Courts of Kent and Sussex Counties.

House Joint Resolution No. 21, entitled:

Joint resolution authorizing the appointment of a Committee of three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate to arrange for a reunion of the present General Assembly at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in 1904.

House Bill No. 117, entitled:

An act relating to the accounts of the Road Commissioners of the several hundreds of New Castle County, and the auditing of the same.

House Bill No. 141, entitled:

An act providing for the condemnation of turnpike roads and making the same public highways.

House Bill No. 267, entitled:

An act authorizing the Commissioners of Colored School Districts Nos. 163 in Kent County and 192 in Sussex County to borrow money to pay for the furnishing and repairing of the school house.

House Bill No. 211, entitled:

An act to prevent and punish the desecration of the flag of the United States.

House Bill No. 105, entitled:

An act in relation to the reassessment of the persons and property in Nanticoke hundred, Sussex County.

House Bill No. 96, entitled:

An act to regulate the transaction of business by the Levy Court Commissioners of New Castle County.

House Bill No. 93, entitled:

An act for the protection of Black Bass in the fresh water streams and the lakes or ponds within the jurisdiction of Delaware.

House Bill No. 94, entitled:

An act to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery in the State of Delaware.

House Bill No. 75, entitled:

An act for the better protection of fish in the waters of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal and its feeders in New Castle County.

House Bill No. 157, entitled:

An act providing for protection against fire in the Town of Harrington.

House Bill No. 100, entitled:

An act to encourage the education at normal schools of certain persons intending to teach in the public schools.

House Bill No. 142, entitled:

An act to enable the Governor to appoint a Justice of the Peace for Sussex County, to reside at or near the Town of Concord.

House Bill No. 202, entitled:

An act appropriating fifty dollars to Miranda Adams.

House Bill No. 217, entitled:

An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act to provide for a Municipal Police Commission for City of Wilmington," passed at Dover, April 18, 1893, being Chapter 731, of Volume 19, Laws of Delaware, by providing for an increase in the salaries of the Chief of Police, the two Captains of Police, the ten Sergeants of Police and the ordinary Policemen of the City of Wilmington.

House Bill No. 41, entitled:

An act to provide for making title to real estate in which insane persons have an interest.

House Bill No. 249, entitled :

An act to appropriate four thousand dollars for the erection, alteration and repair of buildings at the State College for Colored Students.

House Bill No. 109, entitled :

An act authorizing the Board of Public Education for the Town of Lewes to borrow money, and issue bonds to secure the payment thereof, for the purpose of making additions to and improvements in the school house in consolidated School Districts Nos. 14, 15, 110 and 112, in Sussex County.

House Bill No. 169, entitled :

An act for the relief of United School Districts Nos. 23 and 75, and also 110, in New Castle County.

House Bill No. 186, entitled :

An act authorizing pupils in School District No. 115 in Kent County to attend a school outside the district under certain conditions.

House Bill No. 215, entitled :

An act authorizing the Commissioners of School Districts Nos. 24 and 159 of Sussex County to borrow money to repair, rebuild, enlarge or remodel their school house.

House Joint Resolution No. 16 :

Appointing a joint committee to settle the accounts of the State Treasurer in January 1904.

House Joint Resolution No. 19 :

Relating to the boundary controversy between the States of New Jersey and Delaware.

Mr. Holcomb moved that the following report be received, not accepted, and spread upon the Journal.

Mr. Tyre moved to amend the motion, that the report be re-

ferred to the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game and 200 copies be printed.

Mr. Flinn moved that the amendment be laid on the table,

Which motion

Prevailed.

Yeas, 17; nays, 16.

The vote was then taken on the original motion, which resulted as follows: Yeas 30, nays 3.

And the motion

Prevailed.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware, in General Assembly met:

We, the undersigned Commissioners appointed by joint resolution of your Honorable Bodies to confer with Commissioners appointed in behalf of the State of New Jersey to frame a compact or agreement between the said States and legislation consequent thereon to be submitted to the Legislatures of said two States for action thereon, looking to the amicable termination of the suit between said States, now pending in the Supreme Court of the United States, and the final adjustment of all controversies relating to the boundary line between said States and to their respective rights in the Delaware River, respectfully, report as follows:

That on Thursday, the twelfth day of March, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and three, the Commissioners of the State of Delaware met, in the City of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, Franklin Murphy, Thomas N. McCarter and Edward C. Stokes, the only accredited Commissioners of the State of New Jersey, for the purpose of performing the duties imposed upon them under said commission. Further conferences between the said Commissioners and committee thereof were held in the same city on Friday and Saturday, the thirteenth and fourteenth days of March, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and three. The Delaware Commissioners have annexed hereto and further submit, as their report, a draft of the compact framed by said joint Commissioners covering the subjects submitted to their consideration, so far as any agreement could be reached by said joint Commissioners.

They also herewith report the form of an act, uniform with

one prepared for the State of New Jersey, to ratify and confirm said compact and to authorize its execution.

All of which is respectfully submitted this sixteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

JOHN HUNN.  
HERBERT H. WARD.  
GEO. H. BATES.

COMPACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
AND THE STATE OF DELAWARE RELATING TO  
THE BOUNDARY CONTROVERSY BETWEEN  
SAID STATES.

Whereas a controversy hath heretofore existed between the States of New Jersey and Delaware, relative to the jurisdiction of such portion of the Delaware River as is included within the circle of twelve mile radius, an arc of which constitutes the northern boundary of the State of Delaware, and it is the mutual desire of said States to so settle and determine such controversy as to prevent future complications arising therefrom;

And whereas there is now pending in the Supreme Court of the United States, a cause wherein the said State of New Jersey is the complainant and the said State of Delaware is the defendant, in which cause an injunction has been issued against the State of Delaware restraining the execution of certain statutes of the State of Delaware relating to the fisheries in said river, which said litigation hath been pending for twenty-five years and upwards;

And whereas, for the purpose of adjusting the differences between the said two States arising out of said conflict of jurisdiction, Franklin Murphy, Thomas N. McCarter and Edward C. Stokes have been appointed Commissioners on the part of the State of New Jersey by joint resolution of the Legislature of said State, and John Hunn, Herbert H. Ward and George H. Bates have been appointed Commissioners on the part of the State of Delaware by joint resolution of the General Assembly of said State to frame a compact or agreement between the said States, and legislation consequent thereon, to be submitted to the Legislatures of said two States for action thereon, looking

to the amicable termination of said suit between said States now pending in the Supreme Court of the United States, and the final adjustment of all controversies relating to the boundary line between said States, and to their respective rights in the Delaware River ;

Now, therefore, the said State of New Jersey, by its Commissioners above named, and the said State of Delaware, by its Commissioners above named, do hereby make and enter into a compact or agreement between said States as follows :

Article I. Criminal process issued under the authority of the State of New Jersey against any person accused of an offence committed upon the soil of said State, or upon the eastern half of said Delaware River, or committed on board of any vessel being under the exclusive jurisdiction of that State and also civil process issued under the authority of the State of New Jersey against any person domiciled in that State, or against property taken out of that State to evade the laws thereof, may be served upon any portion of the Delaware River between said States from low water mark on the New Jersey shore to low water mark on the Delaware shore, except upon Reedy and Pea Patch Islands, unless said person or property shall be on board a vessel aground upon or fastened to the shore of the State of Delaware, or the shores of said islands, or fastened to a wharf adjoining thereto, or unless such person shall be under arrest or such property shall be under seizure by virtue of process or authority of the State of Delaware.

Article II. Criminal process issued under the authority of the State of Delaware against any person accused of an offence committed upon the soil of said State, or upon the western half of said Delaware River, or committed on board of any vessel being under the exclusive jurisdiction of that State, and also civil process issued under the authority of the State of Delaware against any person domiciled in that State, or against property taken out of that State to evade the laws thereof, may be served upon any portion of the Delaware River between said States from low water mark on the Delaware shore to low water mark on the New Jersey shore, unless said person or property shall be on board a vessel aground upon or fastened to the shore of the State of New Jersey, or fastened to a wharf adjoining thereto, or unless such person shall be under arrest, or such property shall be under seizure by virtue of process or authority of the State of New Jersey.

Article III. The inhabitants of the said States of Delaware and New Jersey shall have and enjoy a common right of fishery throughout, in and over the waters of said river between the low water marks on each side of said river between the said States, except so far as either State may have heretofore granted valid and subsisting private rights of fishery.

Article IV. Immediately upon the execution hereof the Legislature of the State of New Jersey shall appoint three Commissioners to confer with three Commissioners to be immediately appointed by the General Assembly of the State of Delaware for the purpose of drafting uniform laws to regulate the catching and taking of fish in the Delaware River between said two States, which said Commissioners for each State respectively shall, within two years from the date of their appointment, report to the Legislature of each of said States the proposed laws so framed and recommended by said joint Commission. Upon the adoption and passage of said laws so recommended, or of other concurrent legislation for the regulation of said common right of fishery, by the respective Legislatures of said two States, said laws shall constitute the sole laws for the regulation of the taking and catching of fish in the said river between said States. Said laws shall remain in force until altered, amended or repealed by concurrent legislation of the said two States.

The faith of the said contracting States is hereby pledged to the enactment of said laws so recommended by said Commissioners, or of such concurrent legislation as may seem judicious and proper in the premises to the respective Legislatures thereof.

Each State shall have and exercise exclusive jurisdiction to arrest, try and punish its own inhabitants for violations of the concurrent legislation relating to the regulation of the right of common fishery herein provided for.

Article V. All laws of said States relating to the regulation of fisheries in the Delaware River not inconsistent with the right of common fishery hereinabove mentioned, shall continue in force in said respective States until the enactment of said concurrent legislation as herein provided.

Article VI. Nothing herein contained shall affect the planting, catching or taking of oysters, clams or other shell fish, or interfere with the oyster industry as now or hereafter carried on under the laws of either State.

Article VII. Each State may on its own side of the river continue to exercise riparian jurisdiction of every kind and nature and to make grants, leases and conveyances of riparian lands and rights under the laws of the respective States.

Article VIII. Nothing herein contained shall affect the territorial limits, rights or jurisdiction of either State of, in or over the Delaware River, or the ownership of the sub-aqueous soil thereof, except as herein expressly set forth.

Article IX. This agreement shall be executed by the said Commissioners, when authorized to do so by the Legislatures of the said States. It shall thereupon be submitted to Congress for its consent and approval. Upon the ratification thereof by Congress it shall be and become binding in perpetuity upon both of said States; and thereupon the suit now pending in the Supreme Court of the United States, in which the State of New Jersey is complainant and the State of Delaware is defendant, shall be discontinued without costs to either party and without prejudice. Pending the ratification hereof by Congress said suit shall remain in statu quo.

Done in two parts (one of which is retained by the Commissioners of Delaware, to be delivered to the Governor of that State, and the other one of which is retained by the Commissioners of New Jersey, to be delivered to the Governor of that State) this                      day of                      in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

Mr. Speaker, in pursuance of previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 359), entitled:

An act to ratify and confirm a compact or agreement between the States of New Jersey and Delaware respecting the Delaware River, and to authorize the execution thereof,

Which, on his motion, was read.

And further, on his motion, the bill was read a second time, by its title, and referred to the joint committee to confer with State's attorney in regard to controversy between Jersey and Delaware.

Mr. Aspril, in pursuance of previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill (H. B. No. 360), entitled:

An act making appropriations for the expenses of the State