

*Ordered* to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Bewley, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Dover and Mahon River Steamboat Transportation and Freighting Company,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate without amendment, and with the recommendation that it pass.

And, thereupon,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The House bill entitled, "An act for the relief of Wilhelmina Snyder,"

Was read,

And,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

Was referred to the Committee on Divorces.

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

"An act to incorporate the Wilmington Steamship Company.

And returned the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The House bill entitled, "An act divorcing Mary Elliott from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was taken up for consideration.

The question pending being, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley and Ponder—2.

*Nays*—Messrs. Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Williamson and Mr. Speaker—6.

So the question was decided in the negative.

And the bill was

*Non-concurred in.*

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

Mr. Bewley, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Delaware and Chesapeake Tow-Boat Company,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass.

And, thereupon,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

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

"An act to incorporate the Town of Milton,"

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

**SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.**

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Diamond State Iron Company,"

Was taken up for consideration.

And, further,

On his motion,

The bill

Was re-committed to the Committee on Corporations.

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

"An act to change the location of a certain public road in St. Georges Hundred, New Castle County,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

Mr. Bewley, from the majority of the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to aid the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company in the completion of this road, and for other purposes,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows:

Amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting in lieu thereof, as follows:

SECTION 1. That as soon after the passage of this act as the Directors of the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company shall procure *bona fide* subscriptions to be made to the capital stock of said Company to the amount of two hundred thousand dollars in addition to the stock already subscribed, and shall procure and cause such additional subscriptions to the capital stock to be paid in as hereinafter provided, it shall be the duty of the State Treasurer, and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to cause the bonds of this State to be made to the amount of four hundred thousand dollars, and to deliver the said bonds to the amount of three hundred and fifty-two thousand dollars to the Directors of the said Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company, retaining the residue of said bonds for the purpose hereinafter specified. The said bonds to be delivered by the State Treasurer to the Directors of the Company aforesaid, at such times and to such amounts as is hereinafter provided, as a loan to said Company, to aid in the construction of their Railroad from Milford to Lewestown.

SECTION 2. That so soon as the State Treasurer is satisfied by the oath or affirmation of a majority of the Directors of said Company that the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars has been paid in, in money, upon the additional subscriptions to the capital stock of said Company, required by Section 1 of this act, it shall be the duty of the State Treasurer for the time being, and he is hereby directed to

deliver to the Directors of said Company the bonds of this State, authorized to be made by Section 1 of this act, to the amount of eighty-eight thousand dollars, and whenever it shall appear to the satisfaction of the State Treasurer as aforesaid, that the further sum of fifty thousand dollars has been actually paid in, in money, upon the additional subscriptions to the capital stock of said Company aforesaid, he shall deliver to the Directors of said Company the bonds of this State, authorized to be made by Section 1 of this act, to the further amount of eighty-eight thousand dollars; and whenever it shall appear to the satisfaction of the State Treasurer as aforesaid, that the further sum of fifty thousand dollars has been actually paid in, in money, upon the additional subscriptions to the capital stock of said Company as aforesaid, he shall deliver to the Directors of said Company the bonds of this State, authorized to be made by Section 1 of this act, to the amount of eighty-eight thousand dollars; and whenever it shall appear to the satisfaction of the State Treasurer as aforesaid, that the further sum of fifty thousand dollars has been actually paid in, in money, upon the additional subscriptions to the capital stock of said Company as aforesaid, he shall deliver to the Directors of said Company, the bonds of this State authorized by Section 1 of this act, to the further amount of eighty-eight thousand dollars.

SECTION 3. That the bonds of this State, authorized to be made by the first Section of this act, shall be in the following form :

### INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT BOND.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

No. *State of Delaware* \$1,000.

These presents certify and make known that the State of Delaware is held and firmly bound unto the bearer in the sum of one thousand dollars, lawful money of the United States of America, which she binds herself to pay to the bearer on or before the first day of January, A. D. 1890, with interest at the rate of six per centum, payable at the Philadelphia National Bank, of the City of Philadelphia, on the first day of January and July, until the principal be paid.

Dated at Dover the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1886

Witness the Great Seal of the said State and the hands of the Governor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer.

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GOVERNOR.  
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SECRETARY OF STATE.  
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STATE TREASURER.

The said bonds shall be numbered from one to four hundred and shall have coupons attached for the payment of interest, numbered to correspond with the bonds and signed by the State Treasurer. The said bonds shall be signed by the Governor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer, and have the Great Seal affixed. The public faith is hereby pledged for the payment of the interest and principal of said bonds.

SECTION 4. That the Directors of the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company, in consideration of the bonds of this State to be delivered to them under the provisions of Section 2 of this act, and the further consideration of the bonds of this State, to the amount of forty-eight thousand dollars, to be retained by the State Treasurer, and applied for the benefit of said Company as hereinafter provided, shall prepare, execute and acknowledge, at the expense of the said Company, a mortgage in favor of the State of Delaware, which shall be the first lien on the whole road, for four hundred thousand dollars on the whole line of the Railroad of said Company, from Harrington, in Kent County, to the terminus of said Railroad, at or near Lewes-town, in Sussex County; said mortgage shall include all the land of the Company on the line of said road, the railroad made and constructed and to be constructed and made thereon, including the cross-ties, bridges, iron and other material used in making the railroad of said Company, and all switches, sidelings, turn-tables and depots of the Company, and all and singular the said appurtenances to the said Railroad belonging or appertaining; and shall deliver said mortgage, with the proper stamps affixed, to the State Treasurer at the time of the payment or delivery to the said Directors of the bonds of this State, to the amount of eighty-eight thousand dollars, first mentioned in Section 2 of this act. The State Treasurer shall cause the said mortgage to be duly recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds at Dover, and at Georgetown; said mortgage shall be payable on or before the first day of January, A. D. 1890.

SECTION 5. That the State Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to sell, at such time or times, and in such manner as he may deem proper, the bonds of this State to the amount of forty-eight thousand dollars, which he is authorized by Section 1 of this act to retain out of the bonds authorized by said Section, to be issued, and to apply the proceeds from the sale of said bonds to the payment of the interest on the mortgage required by Section 4 of this act, for two years from the date of said mortgage.

SECTION 6. That for the purpose of meeting the interest on the mortgage required by Section 4 of this act, the Directors of the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company, after the expiration of

two years from the date of said mortgage, shall pay to the State Treasurer twenty-five cents for every passenger carried over on said railroad, or any part thereof, and twenty per cent. on the amount of other freights or tolls received by the Company on all other business done on said Railroad. The payments, both for passengers carried and other business done by said Company, shall be made semi-annually on the first day of January, and the first day of July in each and every year, and shall be accompanied by a statement, verified by the oath of the proper officer of said Company, showing the number of passengers carried and the amount of other business done. In case the amount received by the State Treasurer under the provisions of this Section shall be insufficient to pay the interest on said mortgage as the same shall become due, it shall be lawful for any subsequent legislature to increase the rates specified in this section, and if the amount received by the State Treasurer under the provisions of this Section shall be more than sufficient to meet the interest on said mortgage, then such excess shall be deemed and considered a payment on the principal of said mortgage.

SECTION 7. That if the said Directors of said Company shall fail to make the return and payments to the State Treasurer required by Section 6 of this act, for a period of thirty days after the time appointed for such return and payments to be made; and shall otherwise fail for the period aforesaid to pay the interest on the mortgage aforesaid, such default on the part of the Directors of said Company shall make the whole mortgage due and payable, and the State Treasurer shall proceed to collect the whole of said mortgage by due process of law, and said mortgage shall contain a provision to this effect.

SECTION 8. That the interest paid to the State Treasurer on the mortgage aforesaid, and all money received by him under any of the provisions to be applied to the interest on the mortgage aforesaid, shall be by him applied to the payment of the interest on the bonds of this State authorized to be made by Section 1 of this act.

SECTION 9. That before any of the provisions of Section 2 of this act shall take effect, the Directors of the said Company shall enter into a joint and several bond, to the State of Delaware, in the penal sum of two hundred thousand dollars, conditioned for the faithful application of all money received by them under the provisions of this act, together with all money received by them on the additional subscriptions to the capital stock of the company aforesaid, to the construction of the Railroad of said company from Milford to Lewestown, so far as the same shall be necessary for that purpose, before any part thereof shall be applied to the building of any pier or for

any other purpose other than the construction of the aforesaid Railroad from Milford to Lewestown.

SECTION 10. That the Legislature of this State, at any time hereafter, may fix, regulate and determine the rate of fare for the carrying of passengers, and the rate of freight to be charged on produce, goods or property of every description carried on the Railroad of the Company.

SECTION 11. That the provisions of this act shall be accepted by the aforesaid Company at a meeting of its Stockholders to be held within three months from the passage of this act; such acceptance shall be certified under the hand of the President, and the seal of the Company, and delivered to the State Treasurer, who shall cause the same to be recorded in the Recorder's Office, at Dover, and at Georgetown, and when so recorded, the record or a duly certified copy thereof shall be evidence; and this act shall not take effect until it has been accepted by the Company aforesaid.

SECTION 12. That it shall be lawful for the Stockholders of said Company to elect a new Board of Directors, at a meeting to be called for that purpose, within thirty days after the acceptance of this act; such meeting may be called by any number of Stockholders representing one-half of the stock subscribed and paid in.

Mr. Bewley moved

That the amendment be adopted.

Pending which question,

Mr. Williamson, from the Committee on Corporations, submitted, as the report of the minority of the Committee upon said bill, an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows:

Amend the bill by striking out of the bill all after the enacting clause, and inserting the following:

SECTION 1. That whenever the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company shall procure hereafter, *bona fide* subscriptions to the stock of said Company, by responsible persons, to the amount of two hundred thousand dollars, and shall have collected thereon, and had paid into the Treasury of said Company fifty thousand dollars thereof, then the State Treasurer shall deliver to the said Company one hundred bonds of this State, of one thousand dollars each, according to

the form hereinafter prescribed ; and, as soon as the further sum of fifty thousand dollars thereof shall have been collected and paid into the Treasury of the said Company as aforesaid, then the State Treasurer shall deliver to the said Company three hundred other bonds of this State, of one thousand dollars each, of like form, and which form shall be as follows :

## INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT BOND.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

*The State of Delaware.*

These presents certify and make known that the State of Delaware is held and firmly bound unto the bearer in the sum of one thousand dollars, lawful money of the United States of America, which she binds herself, to pay to the bearer on or before the first day of January, A. D. 1895, with interest thereon, at the rate of six per centum per annum, payable at the Philadelphia National Bank, of the City of Philadelphia, on the first day of January and July, until the principal be paid ; the first payment to be made on the first day of January next ensuing the date hereof.

Dated at Dover, the first day of July, A. D. 1865.

Witness the Great Seal of the said State and the hands of the Governor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer.



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GOVERNOR.  
SECRETARY OF STATE.  
STATE TREASURER.

The said bonds shall be numbered from one to four hundred in proper order, and shall have coupons attached for the payment of interest, numbered to correspond with the bonds, and shall be signed by the State Treasurer. The said bonds shall be signed by the Governor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer, shall have the Great Seal of the State affixed, and shall be dated on the first day of January and July next preceding the time of the delivery of them to the said Company, the interest to commence thereon from the date of said bonds. And the public faith is hereby solemnly pledged for the payment of the interest and principal of said bonds at the time they respectively become payable.

SECTION 2. Before the said bonds shall be delivered to the said Company, the following conditions shall be complied with, viz :

*First.* The aforesaid Company shall, by, on, or before that time, have executed in due form to the State, and shall deliver to the State Treasurer the judgment bond of the said Company for the real debt of four hundred thousand dollars, and also the mortgage of the said Company to the State, of the entire estate and property of said Company now existing and acquired, and hereafter to exist, or that may be acquired by said Company, to secure the payment of the said real debt of four hundred thousand dollars mentioned in said judgment bond, and also of the interest thereon, at the rate of six per centum per annum; the said interest to be payable semi-annually on the first days of January and July until the principal of said debt is payable, and the principal to be paid on or before the expiration of thirty years from the date of said bond and mortgage. When the said bond and mortgage are delivered to the State Treasurer, he shall cause judgment to be entered on the former, in the Superior Court in and for Sussex County, and the latter to be duly recorded in the Recorder's office in the same County, and when so entered and recorded as aforesaid, they shall respectively constitute and become, the former generally, and the latter specially, liens on the estate and possessions and property of the said Company, in each, either and all of the Counties of this State, wherever situate, by virtue of said entry and recording as aforesaid; and shall have in each and all of said Counties the same force, effect and operation in law, which they have in said County of Sussex.

*Secondly.* That this act shall be assented to and accepted by the said Company, at a meeting of the Stockholders thereof, to be held on or before the twenty-fifth day of March next, and such acceptance to be certified under the hand of the President and the corporate seal of the Company, and delivered to the State Treasurer, who shall cause the same to be recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds in and for Sussex County, and afterwards to be delivered to the Secretary of State, to be filed and preserved in his office. When recorded as aforesaid, the record, or a duly certified copy thereof, shall be evidence.

SECTION 3. The present Board of Directors of said Company shall be vacated, and new Directors, as provided for in the charter of said Company, shall be chosen and elected within thirty days after the acceptance of this act by the said Company.

SECTION 4. This act shall have no force, effect or operation, until the acceptance of it, by the said Company is duly made as is hereinbefore provided.

SECTION 5. That one third part of the net profits of the said Company, on their railroad, and accruing from their business over and upon the same, from and after it shall have been constructed and completed to the harbor of the Delaware Breakwater, and put into complete operation throughout the entire length of it, and after the payment and deduction of all necessary expenses therefore, shall be annually accounted for and paid over by the said Company to the State Treasurer, and shall by him be applied to the payment of the principal and interest of the said debt secured to be paid to the State by the said judgment bond and mortgage hereinbefore provided for.

SECTION 6. That all the expenses incurred by the State Treasurer in the discharge of the duties imposed upon him by this act shall be paid by the aforesaid Railroad Company, and shall be paid into the hands of the State Treasurer before any provisions of this act shall have effect.

SECTION 7. To secure the payment by the said Railroad Company of the interest of its bond and mortgage aforesaid, the said Company shall make and deliver to the State Treasurer, for the use of the State, its judgment bond, in common form, in the penal sum of two hundred thousand dollars, conditioned for the payment of one hundred thousand dollars on demand.

Mr. Williamson moved,

That the amendment reported by the minority of the Committee be adopted as a substitute for that reported by the majority,

And,

On the question, "Shall the Minority Report be adopted as a substitute for the Majority Report?"

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Belville, Elliott and Williamson—3.

Nays—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Mr. Speaker—6.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

*Lost.*

Mr. Cahall offered an amendment to the amendment reported by the majority of the Committee,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the amendment by adding the following sections :

SECTION 13. *Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That before the provisions of Section two of this act shall take effect, the said Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company shall procure an amendment to the charter of said Company, authorizing said Company to extend their Railroad from Milford by the way of Frederica to a point on the Delaware Railroad at or near the Town of Dover, and shall survey and locate such extension of their Railroad, from the depot of said Company at or near the Town of Milford, by way of Frederica, and within one quarter of a mile of the Town Hall therein, to a point on the Delaware Railroad within one mile of Dover aforesaid.

SECTION 14. *Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That William Townsend, John W. Hall, Edmund Stout, James L. Heverin, and Thomas B. Coursey, be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners to procure subscriptions to the capital stock of said Company, in addition to the stock hereinbefore provided for and required to be made, to be used exclusively, as hereinafter provided, in the construction of the extension of said Railroad from the depot of said Company at Milford aforesaid to the Delaware Railroad at Dover aforesaid and whenever said Commissioners shall have procured additional subscriptions to the capital stock of said Company, to be made as aforesaid to aid in the construction of the extension of said Railroad from the depot of said Company at Milford aforesaid to the Delaware Railroad at or near Dover aforesaid, to the amount of one hundred and twenty-eight thousand dollars, and shall procure one-fourth part thereof to be paid to the Commissioners aforesaid for the purpose aforesaid, then the State Treasurer is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to deliver to the Directors of said Company the bonds of this State, in addition to those already authorized by this act, to the amount of forty-three thousand dollars, less the interest thereon for two years ; and the bonds of this State, in addition to those already provided for by this act, in the like further sum of forty-three thousand dollars, less the interest thereon for two years, upon the payment to the Commissioners aforesaid of another fourth-part of the said additional subscription ; and the bonds of this State in addition to those already provided for by this act, in the like further sum of forty-three thousand dollars, less the interest thereon for two years, upon the payment to the Commissioners aforesaid of another fourth-part of the said additional sub-

scription; and the bonds of this State in addition to those already provided for by this act, in the like further like sum of forty-three thousand dollars, less the interest thereon for two years, upon the payment to the Commissioners aforesaid of the remaining fourth-part of the said additional subscription; which said several sums of money to be raised by said bonds, and the said additional subscription to the capital stock to be paid over to the Directors of said Company by the Commissioners as hereinafter provided, shall be exclusively applied to aid in the construction of the said extension of said Railroad from Milford to Dover aforesaid.

But before any bonds shall be delivered by the State Treasurer to the said Directors of said Company under the provisions of this act, the Directors of said Company shall deliver to the State Treasurer their joint and several obligation to the State of Delaware, with security to be approved by the State Treasurer, in a sum double the amount of the bonds to be delivered by the State Treasurer to said Directors, conditioned faithfully to apply, within a reasonable time, to the construction of the extension of said Railroad, the sums of money to be raised by said bonds to be delivered to them by the State Treasurer as aforesaid, together with such sum or sums as may from time to time be paid over to them by the Commissioners aforesaid for the purpose aforesaid, and shall also execute and deliver to the State Treasurer a mortgage in favor of the State of Delaware, which shall be the first lien on the whole of the extension of the said Railroad from Milford to Dover, for the sum of one hundred and seventy-two thousand dollars, payable on or before the expiration of twenty-five years.

In case the Directors of said Company, who shall execute and deliver the bond or obligation aforesaid, shall be removed from the direction of said Company before the amount of State bonds and money received by them under the provisions of this section shall have been expended as required by the condition of said bond or obligation, they shall, upon the payment to their successors in office of the amount so remaining in their hands unexpended, require their successors to execute and deliver their joint and several obligation to the State of Delaware, in a penalty double the amount so as aforesaid remaining unexpended, with security to be approved by the State Treasurer, conditioned to faithfully apply within a reasonable time to the construction of the said extension of said Railroad the amount so remaining unexpended and paid over to them by their predecessors in office, and shall cause said last mentioned obligation to be delivered to the State Treasurer, who, upon such delivery of said obligation, is authorized and required to cancel the bond first aforesaid and deliver the same to the obligors therein named.

SECTION 15. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the duty of the Commissioners named in Section fourteen of this act to collect the subscriptions to the capital stock of said Company, provided for in said Section, and to pay one-fourth part thereof to the Directors aforesaid, at the time of each payment by the State Treasurer, in bonds of the said State of the sum of forty-three thousand dollars, as provided for in said Section fourteen, to be expended by said Directors in the construction of said extension of the Railroad of said Company as aforesaid."

Mr. Cahall moved,

That the amendment to the amendment be adopted,

And,

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

Mr. Belville called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Mr. Speaker—6.

*Nays*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott and Williamson—3.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendment to the amendment

Was

*Adopted.*

The question recurring on the motion to adopt the amendment as amended,

Pending that question,

Mr. Williamson moved

That the further consideration of the bill and amendment be postponed until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

And,

On the question, "Shall the further consideration of the bill and amendment be postponed until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning?"

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott and Williamson—3.

*Nays*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Mr. Speaker—6.

So the question was decided in the negative.

And the motion to postpone

Was

*Lost.*

The question on the adoption of the amendment, as amended, still pending,

Mr. Williamson offered a further amendment to the amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

"Amend the amendment by striking out all of Section 10 of said amendment."

Mr. Williamson moved,

That the amendment to the amendment be adopted,

Which motion

Was

*Lost.*

The question recurring on the adoption of the amendment reported by the majority of the Committee, as amended,

On the question,

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Mr. Speaker—6.

*Nays*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott and Williamson—3.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendment

Was

*Adopted.*

Mr. Bewley offered an amendment to the preamble of the bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

"Amend the preamble of the bill by striking out of the same all after the word 'whereas,' in the first line thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the following, that is to say: 'for the purpose of aiding the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company to complete their Railroad from Milford to Lewestown, Therefore,'"

And further,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The amendment

Was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Cahall then moved

That the bill as amended be read a third time and by paragraphs, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate,

And,

On the question, "Shall the bill be read a third time and by paragraphs, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate?"

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Mr. Speaker—6.

*Nays*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott and Williamson—3.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the motion

*Prevailed.*

Section 1 of the bill having been read,

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

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder, Williamson and Mr. Speaker—9.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And Section 1 of the bill  
 Was *Adopted.*

Section 2 having been read,

On the question, "Shall that be Section 2 of the bill?"

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch,  
 Ponder, Williamson and Mr. Speaker—9.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And Section 2 was *Adopted.*

Section 3 having been read,

On the question, "Shall that be Section 3 of the bill?"

Mr. Belville called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch,  
 Ponder, Williamson and Mr. Speaker—9.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And Section 3 was *Adopted.*

Section 4 having been read,

On the question, "Shall that be Section 4 of the bill?"

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch,  
 Ponder, Williamson and Mr. Speaker—9.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative.

And Section 4 was *Adopted.*

Section 5 having been read,

On the question, "Shall that be Section 5 of the bill?"

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder, Williamson and Mr. Speaker—9.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And Section 5 was

*Adopted.*

Section 6 having been read,

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder, Williamson and Mr. Speaker—9.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And Section 6 was

*Adopted.*

Section 7 having been read,

On the question, "Shall that be Section 7 of the bill?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder, Williamson and Mr. Speaker—9.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And Section 7 was

*Adopted.*

Sections 8 and 9 having been read and adopted, and Section 10 read.

On the question, "Shall that be Section 10 of the bill?"

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Mr. Speaker—6

*Nays*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott and Williamson—3.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And Section 10 was

*Adopted.*

Sections 11 and 12 were then read and adopted,

Section 13 having been read,

On the question, "Shall that be Section 13 of the bill?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Mr. Speaker—6.

*Nays*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott and Williamson—3.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And Section 13 was

*Adopted.*

Section 14 and 15 were then read and adopted.

The preamble, enacting clause and title having been severally read and adopted,

And,

Pending the question, "Shall this bill now pass the Senate?"

Mr. Williamson moved

That the Senate do now adjourn,

And,

On the question, "Will the Senate now adjourn?"

Mr. Bewley called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Elliot and Williamson—3.

*Nays*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Mr. Speaker—6.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

*Lost.*

The question recurring, "Shall this bill now pass the Senate?"

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

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch,  
Ponder, Williamson and Mr. Speaker—9.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative.

And the bill *Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof and its concurrence in the Senate amendments requested.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, February 22, 1865—10 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Belville, from the special committee to whom was referred the House bill, entitled, "An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate, late of James Chambers, deceased, situate in Appoquinimink Hundred, New Castle County and State of Delaware,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate, without amendment, and with the recommendation that it pass.

And, thereupon,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

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

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate a Company for making a turnpike road from the Borough of Wilmington to the line between this State and Pennsylvania, or to communicate with the artificial road contemplated from the Gap to Newport,' passed February 1, 1808,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Dover and Mahon River Steamboat Transportation and Freighting Company,"

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas.*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder, Williamson and Mr. Speaker.—9.

*Nays.*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate a Company for making a turnpike road from the Borough of Wilmington to the line between this State and Pennsylvania, or to communicate with the artificial road contemplated from the Gap to Newport,' passed February 1, 1808,"

Was read.

And,

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Hickman, from the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act for the relief of Wilhelmina Snyder,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate without amendment, and with the recommendation that it pass.

And, thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Delaware and Chesapeake Tow-Boat Company,"

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder, Williamson and Mr. Speaker—9.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative.

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Williamson, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following Senate bill and joint resolutions as being duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same to the Speaker for his signature, to wit:

"An act to divorce Sarah E. Lunney, of New Castle County, from her husband, James Lunney."

"Joint Resolution of inquiry into the affairs of the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company;" and

"Joint Resolution in regard to destroying the exchanged State bonds."

Mr. Bewley, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the House bill entitled,

"An act to enable the owners of the marsh meadow near Newport, called "Conrad's Cripple" to keep the banks, dams and sluices in repair and to raise a fund to defray the expenses thereof,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, thereupon,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act authorizing State aid for the construction of the Delaware and Pennsylvania State Line Railroad,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Bewley, from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of Manaen B. Marvel and others, praying the passage of an act to authorize the laying out a new public road in Indian River Hundred, Sussex County,

Reported a bill entitled, "An act to authorize the laying out a public road in Indian River Hundred,"

Which,

On his motions, the Speaker of the House, John H. Brown, said:

Was read.

Mr. Ponder, from the Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the petition of Henry Pratt and other members of the Levy Court of Kent County, praying the passage of an act to increase the *per diem* of members of the Levy Court,

Asked,

And, returned report of the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

Obtained further time in which to report.

Mr. Belville, from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petitions of John Kennedy and other citizens of White Clay Creek Hundred, in New Castle County, praying the passage of an act to amend the road law of said Hundred,

Reported a bill entitled, "An act to repeal an act entitled, 'An act in relation to public roads and highways in St. Georges and Appoquinimink Hundreds, in New Castle County,' passed at Dover, February 21, 1859, so far as it relates to White Clay Creek Hundred,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read

Mr. Hitch moved,

That the Senate do now adjourn,

And,

On the question, "Will the Senate now adjourn?"

Mr. Belville called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Cahall, Hitch, Ponder and Mr. Speaker—4.

*Nays*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott, Hickman and Williamson—4.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was *Lost*.

On motion of Mr. Hitch,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act to repeal an act entitled, 'An act in relation to public roads and highways in St. Georges and Appoquinimink Hundreds, in New Castle County,' passed at Dover, February 21, 1859, so far as it relates to White Clay Creek Hundred,"

Was read a second time by its title by special order of the Senate.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 23, 1865—10 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Bewley

Asked,

And,

Obtained the unanimous consent of the Senate to introduce a bill entitled, "An act to incorporate The Kent County Railroad Company" in this State,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And,

On motion of Mr. Hitch,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled "An act for the relief of Wilhelmina Snyder,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, and

*Passed the Senate.*

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

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

"An act to divorce Kate A. Francis and Edwin B. Francis, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

He also informed the Senate that the House had adopted a resolution requesting the return to that body of the House bill entitled "An act to aid the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company in the completion of their road, and for other purposes," for its action on the Senate amendments thereto.

Mr. Cahall offered the following order;

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the Senate be directed to proceed to the Hall of the House of Representatives, and inform that body that the Senate is not aware of having in its possession any papers to which the House is justly entitled; that the rules of both Houses of the General Assembly, *provide* that any vote may be reconsidered on the day on which it is given or the next two days of actual session, and that, therefore, the House of Representatives could not expect the bill referred to in its resolution to be sent to it until the expiration of that time. And, further, to express the regret of the Senate that the House of Representatives should have permitted itself so far to depart from that parliamentary decorum so essential to preserve confidence and good feeling between the two Houses, and so necessary to the interest of a constituency represented alike by both Houses. And also to return to the House their resolution, and inform that body that the Senate has no desire to preserve, by the record of their journal, a proceeding so at variance with parliamentary practice as that proposed by the resolution referred to; and to assure the House that when the Senate has any communica-

tion to make to that body, they will do it in the proper manner and through the proper officer."

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The order was

*Adopted.*

And,

The Clerk proceeded as thereby directed.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate, late of James Chambers, deceased, situate in Appoquinimink Hundred, New Castle County and State of Delaware,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, and

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Hitch,

The Senate bill entitled "An act to authorize the laying out a public road in Indian River Hundred,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Bewley, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was re-committed the House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Diamond State Iron Company,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows:

Amend Section 4 of the bill by striking out of said Section all after the word "interests," in the thirty-sixth line, and before the word "The," in the forty-third line thereof,

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act to enable the owners of the

marsh meadow, near Newport, called "Conrad's Cripple," to keep the banks, dams and sluices in repair, and to raise a fund to defray the expenses thereof,"

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

On the question, " Shall this bill pass the Senate,"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Ponder and Williamson—7.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

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

"An act to incorporate the House of Refuge of New Castle County,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

Mr. Belville, from the Committee appointed on the Unfinished Business of the last session,

Reported that the Committee had found on the files of the Senate as unfinished business a bill entitled,

"An act for the benefit of Married Women."

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to change the location of a certain public road in Saint George's Hundred, New Castle County,"

Was read.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The bill reported by the Committee on Unfinished Business entitled, "An act for the benefit of Married Women,"

Was referred to a special committee of three,

Whereupon,

Messrs. Belville, Ponder and Cahall were appointed said Committee.

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The House bill entitled, "An act to divorce Kate A. Francis and Edwin B. Francis, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read,

And,

On motion of Mr. Belville,

Was referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Beaver Dam Ditch Company in Baltimore Hundred, Sussex County, Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Hickman offered an amendment to the bill under consideration,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows:

Amend the bill by striking out of Section 9, after the word "by," and before the word "disinterested," in the fourteenth line thereof, the word "two," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "three."

And further,

On motion of Mr. Hickman,  
The amendment was *Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Hickman,  
The bill under consideration,

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, as amended, in order to pass the Senate.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Elliott, Hickman, Ponder, Williamson and Mr. Speaker—7.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative.

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof and its concurrence in the Senate amendment requested.

Mr. Ponder moved

That the vote by which the House bill entitled, "An act to aid the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company in the completion of their road and for other purposes," passed the Senate, be reconsidered,

Which motion *Prevailed.*

And the vote was *Reconsidered.*

Pending the question, "Shall this bill now pass the Senate?"

Mr. Bewley moved

That the further consideration thereof be postponed until Wednesday afternoon next,

Which motion, *Prevailed.*

And the further consideration thereof was so *Postponed.*

Mr. Ponder offered a joint resolution directing the Clerks of the two Houses to have published, in certain newspapers of this State, a duly certified copy of the House bill entitled, "An act to relieve

the people of this State from draft," passed at Dover, February 16, 1865,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And, further,

On his motion,

Was

*Adopted.*

Ordered to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The Clerk was directed to have printed for the use of the Senate, five hundred copies of the House bill entitled, "An act to relieve the people of this State from draft," passed at Dover, February 16, 1865.

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

"An act to divorce Mary Elizabeth Simmons, and her husband Henry Simmons, from the bonds of matrimony."

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, February 24, 1865—10 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Bewley, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled, "An act to incorporate 'The Kent County Railroad Company' in this State,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate, without amendment, and with the recommendation that it pass.

And, thereupon,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act authorizing State aid for the construction of the Delaware and Pennsylvania State Line Railroad,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Bewley moved

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Thursday afternoon next, the second day of March,

Which motion *Prevailed.*

And the further consideration of the bill

Was *So postponed.*

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act to authorize the laying out a public road in Indian River Hundred,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And, *Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered to the House for concurrence.*

Mr. Belville offered a joint resolution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

*Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met, That both Houses do adjourn on Friday, the 3d of March next, at 12 o'clock M.; sine die.*

Mr. Belville moved,

That the joint resolution be adopted,

Pending which question,

Mr. Ponder moved,

That the further consideration of the joint resolution be postponed until Tuesday, the seventh day of March next.

Which motion,

*Prevailed.*

And the further consideration of the joint resolution was so

*Postponed.*

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the House of Refuge of New Castle County,"

Was read,

And,

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations

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

"Joint Resolution directing the Clerks to have published in certain newspapers the act entitled, 'An act to relieve the people of this State from draft,' passed at Dover, February 16, 1865,"

And returned the same to the Senate.

Mr. Bewley, from the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to divorce Kate A. Francis and Edwin B. Francis, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

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

"An act to amend Chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill just received and entitled "An act to amend Chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was read.

Mr. Elliott moved

That the Senate do now adjourn until 8 o'clock and 30 minutes on Monday evening next,

And,

On the question, "Will the Senate now adjourn, until 8 o'clock and 30 minutes on Monday evening next?"

Mr. Belville called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Elliott and Ponder—4.

Nays—Messrs. Belville and Williamson—2.

So the question was decided in the affirmative.

And,

The Senate adjourned until 8 o'clock and 30 minutes on Monday evening next.

MONDAY, February 27, 1865—8.30 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to change the location of a certain public road in Saint George's Hundred, New Castle County,"

Was read a second time by its title.

The Speaker laid upon the Clerk's table the memorial of George Sharswood, President of the Pennsylvania Institution for the instruction of the Deaf and Dumb, praying re-imbursement for certain expenses incurred in the tuition, &c., of pupils from this State, in addition to the amount allowed by the State therefor,

Which,

At his request,

Was read.

And,

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1865—10 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

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

"An act to authorize the State Treasurer to convert the bonds of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company into the stock of said Company,"

"An act to divorce Matilda Ann Carr and Charles Llewellyn Carr, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony," and

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate a Company for making a turnpike road from the Borough of Wilmington to the line between this State and Pennsylvania, at or near the house now occupied by Charles Twaddell,' passed at Dover, January 21, 1811,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

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

"An act to incorporate the Brandywine Hundred Mutual Horse Company for the recovery of stolen horses,"

And returned the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hitch,

The House bill entitled, "An act to change the location of a certain public road in St. George's Hundred, New Castle County,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And *Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Hitch,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act to repeal an act entitled, 'An act in relation to public roads and highways in St. George's and Appoquinimink Hundreds, in New Castle County,' passed at Dover, February 21, 1859, so far as it relates to White Clay Creek Hundred,"

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

Section 1 having been read,

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Hickman and Williamson—2.

*Nays*—Messrs. Elliott, Hitch, Ponder and Mr. Speaker—4.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And Section 1 of the bill was *Lost.*

And the bill was *Lost.*

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

"An act authorizing the making of a private road in Kent County,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hitch,

The House bill just received and entitled, "An act authorizing the making of a private road in Kent County,"

Was read,

And,

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize the State Treasurer to convert the bonds of the Philadelphia Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company into the stock of said Company,"

Was read,

And,

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The House bill entitled, "An act to divorce Matilda Ann Carr and Charles Llewellyn Carr, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read,

And,

On motion of Mr. Hitch,

Was referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The House bill entitled, "An act to divorce Kate A. Francis, and Edwin B. Francis, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And,

Passed the Senate.

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

Mr. Elliott presented the petition of Lewis Zebbley, and other citizens of Brandywine Hundred in New Castle County, praying the passage of an act to amend the Road Law of said Hundred,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

And further,

On his motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY—4 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Williamson, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following Senate bills and joint resolutions as being duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same to the Speaker for his signature, to wit:

"An act to authorize Manlove R. Carlisle to sell and convey certain real estate belonging to the heirs of Bethuel Watson, deceased."

"An act to authorize the laying out a public road in Broadkilm Hundred."

"An act to incorporate the Wilmington Steamship Company."

"Joint Resolution in relation to the proposed constitutional amendment prohibiting slavery or involuntary servitude within the United States, and

"Joint Resolution directing the Clerks to have published in certain newspapers the act entitled, "An act to relieve the people of this State from draft," passed at Dover, February 16, 1865."

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate a Company for making a Turnpike Road from the Borough of Wilmington to the line between this State and Pennsylvania, at or near the house now occupied by Charles Twadell,' passed at Dover, January 21, 1811,"

Was read,

And, further,

On his motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

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

"An act to amend Chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, "Of Landlord and Tenant,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill just received and entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, "Of Landlord and Tenant,"

Was read.

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

"An act to establish the Red Clay Creek Church Cemetery of Mill Creek Hundred,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill just received and entitled, "An act to establish the Red Clay Creek Church Cemetery of Mill Creek Hundred,"

Was read.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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WEDNESDAY, March 1, 1865—10 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Journal having been read,

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

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SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, returned the following enrolled Senate bill and joint resolutions, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"An act to divorce Sarah E. Lunney, of New Castle County, from her husband, James Lunney."

"Joint Resolution of inquiry into the affairs of the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company," and

"Joint Resolution in regard to destroying the exchanged State bonds."

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had received official information of the death

of His Excellency, William Cannon, Governor of the State, and were ready to receive any communication the Senate might have to make with reference thereto.

The Speaker laid upon the Clerk's table a communication from Samuel M. Harrington, Jr., Esq., Secretary of State,

Which,

At his request,

Was read, as follows :

STATE OF DELAWARE,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Dover, March 1, 1865.

DR. GOVE SAULSBURY,

*Speaker of the Senate,*

SIR:—It becomes my duty to announce that His Excellency, William Cannon, Governor of this State, died at his residence at Bridgeville, at three o'clock this morning.

I have the honor to be,

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

SAM'L M. HARRINGTON, JR.,

*Secretary of State.*

The Speaker then stated that by reason of the duties devolved upon him under the Constitution, by the death of His Excellency, William Cannon, it would be necessary for the Senate to elect a Speaker *pro tempore*.

Mr. Williamson offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Senate are due and are hereby tendered to the Honorable Gove Saulsbury, the Speaker thereof, for the very able and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of the chair.

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And

*Unanimously adopted.*

The Speaker returned to the Senate an appropriate expression of thanks for the compliment expressed in the resolution just adopted.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The Senate proceeded to elect, by ballot, a Speaker *pro tempore*,

Mr. Bewley moved

That two tellers be appointed to receive and count the votes for Speaker *pro tempore*.

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

Whereupon,

Messrs. Bewley and Williamson were appointed said tellers.

Upon the ballots being counted, it appeared

That Mr. William Hitch had received five votes, and

That ——— had received three votes.

Whereupon,

Mr. William Hitch having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared to be duly elected Speaker *pro tempore* and took the Speaker's chair.

Ordered that the House be informed thereof.

Mr. Ponder moved,

That the oaths of office as Governor be administered to the Honorable Gove Saulsbury, Speaker of the Senate, upon whom, according to the Constitution, by reason of the death of His Excellency, Governor William Cannon, had devolved the office of Governor, and that the Honorable John W. Houston administer said oaths,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

The Honorable John W. Houston then administered, in the presence of the members of the Senate, to the Honorable Gove Saulsbury, Speaker of the Senate, the following oaths of office as Governor, to wit:

I, Gove Saulsbury, do solemnly swear on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, that I will support the Constitution of the United States of America, so help me God.

I, Gove Saulsbury, do solemnly swear on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, that I will support the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will perform the duties of the office of Governor of the State of Delaware with fidelity, so help me God.

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof.

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, returned to the Senate the following enrolled Senate bills and joint resolutions, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit :

"An act to authorize Manlove R. Carlisle to sell and convey certain real estate belonging to the heirs of Bethuel Watson, deceased."

"An act to authorize the laying out a public road in Broadkilm Hundred."

"An act to incorporate the Wilmington Steamship Company."

"Joint Resolution in relation to the proposed constitutional amendment prohibiting slavery or involuntary servitude within the United States," and

"Joint Resolution directing the Clerks to have published in certain newspapers the act entitled, 'An act to relieve the people of this State from draft,' passed at Dover, February 16, 1865."

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted and requested the concurrence of the Senate in joint resolutions entitled,

"Joint Resolutions with respect to the death of His Excellency, William Cannon, late Governor of Delaware,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

He also returned to the Senate the following enrolled Senate joint resolutions, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit :

"Joint Resolution appointing joint committee to wait upon the Governor."

"Joint Resolution of adjournment."

"Joint Resolution appointing joint committee on Rules for the government of the two Houses."

"Joint Resolutions upon the death of William Tharp, Esquire, Ex-Governor of the State," and

"Joint Resolution in relation to the act of Congress donating public lands for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts."

He also presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate

the following enrolled House bills and joint resolutions, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled, "An act to extend the time for recording deeds."

"An act to authorize Noah Isaacs to alter and straighten a certain public road in Nanticoke Hundred, Sussex county, Delaware."

"An act for the benefit of Thomas L. Cannon."

"An act to divorce Sarah E. Barcus from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to change the name of Lewis Edward Chaplin Hearn to Edward Chaplin Colbourn."

"An act to incorporate the Dover and Mahon's River Railroad Company."

"An act to incorporate the Brandywine Hundred Association for the recovery of stolen horses."

"An act to incorporate the Agricultural Canal Company of Baltimore Hundred."

"An act to divorce Ezekiel Blackiston and Mary, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Artisan's Savings Bank.'"

"A supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate The Trustees of the Home for Friendless and Destitute Children in the City of Wilmington.'"

"An act to divorce Martha A. Moody and Robert J. Moody, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to divorce Williamina Willis, from her husband, William E. Willis."

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Wilmington and Brandywine Railroad Company,' passed at Dover, March 5, 1861."

"An act to divorce Amanda Hodson and Robert W. Hodson, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to incorporate the Smyrna and Delaware Bay Railroad Company."

"An act to limit the term of office of the State Treasurer and Auditor of Accounts of this State."

"A further additional supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate a Company for the purpose of cutting and making a Canal between the Chesapeake Bay and Bay or River Delaware, or the waters thereof.'"

"An act to authorize Thomas F. Jones to straighten and shorten a portion of a county road in Nanticoke Hundred, Sussex County."

"An act divorcing James Hallett and Ann M. Hallett, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to amend Section 19, of Chapter 55 of the Revised Code of the Delaware Laws."

"An act to incorporate the Delaware and Chesapeake Tow-Boat Company."

"An act to incorporate the Dover and Mahon River Steamboat Transportation and Freighting Company."

"Joint Resolution to appoint a Committee of three, on the part of the House, and two on the part of the Senate, to examine the accounts of the State Treasurer, to report to the General Assembly on or before the first day of February, 1865."

"Joint Resolution for the meeting of both Houses, on Tuesday morning, January 24, at 11 o'clock, for the purpose of electing a United States Senator."

"Joint Resolution allowing extra compensation to State Treasurer," and

"Joint Resolution providing for the contingent expenses of the Secretary of State."

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House Joint Resolutions just received and entitled, "Joint Resolutions, with respect to the death of His Excellency, William Cannon, late Governor of Delaware,"

Were read, as follows:

*Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware, in General Assembly met, That as a mark of respect to the memory of His Excellency, William Cannon, late*

Governor of the State of Delaware, whose death has just been officially announced, the members of both Houses of this General Assembly will attend in a body the funeral of the deceased, from his late residence at Bridgeville, Sussex County, on Friday afternoon next, at 3 o'clock.

*Resolved*, That the members of the General Assembly tender their condolence to the family and relatives of the deceased in their bereavement.

*Resolved*, That a copy of the above resolutions, duly prepared and signed by the respective Clerks, be forwarded to the family of the deceased.

*Resolved*, That the respective Houses do now adjourn until Monday evening the 6th instant, at 8 o'clock.

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Bewley

The joint resolutions were

*Concurred in.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof, and the joint resolutions returned to that body.

In pursuance of the joint resolutions,

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 8 o'clock on Monday evening next.

MONDAY, March 6, 1865—8 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment under the resolution of the two Houses of the General Assembly.

*Present*—Messrs. Hickman, Hitch and Ponder—3.

There being no quorum,

On motion

The Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, March 7, 1865—10 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Diamond State Iron Company,"

Was taken up for consideration.

The question pending being, "Shall that be Section 4 of the bill?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And Section 4 of the bill

Was

*Adopted.*

The several subsequent Sections and the title, having been read and adopted,

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—7.

*Nays*.—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof and its concurrence in the Senate amendment requested.

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

"An act to authorize C. T. Fleming to change the location and straighten a certain public road hereinafter mentioned."

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 48. of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, and

*Passed the Senate.*

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

Mr. Belville, from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the petition of Lewis Zebley and other citizens of Brandywine Hundred, in New Castle County, praying the passage of an act to amend the Road Law of said Hundred,

Reported that the Committee deemed it inexpedient to legislate upon the subject.

Whereupon,

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The report of the Committee was accepted and the Committee discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Hickman, from the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to divorce Matilda Ann Carr and Charles Llewellen Carr, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate without amendment, and with the recommendation that it pass.

And thereupon,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled; "An act to authorize C. T. Fleming to change the location and straghten a certain public road hereinafter mentioned,"

Was read.

Mr. Belville, from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act authorizing the making of a private road in Kent County,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate without amendment, and with the recommendation that it pass.

And, thereupon,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to establish the Red Clay Creek Church Cemetery of Mill Creek Hundred,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'Of Landlord and Tenant,'"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled, 'Of Landlord and Tenant,'"

Was taken up for consideration.

And, thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The further consideration of the bill

Was

*Indefinitely postponed.*

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

Mr. Williamson, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate a Company for making a Turnpike Road from the Borough of Wilmington to the line between this State and Pennsylvania, at or near the house now occupied by Charles Twaddell,' passed at Dover, January 21, 1811,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The bill was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Elliott offered an amendment to the bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the bill by adding the following as Section 2, to wit :

SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the provisions of Section 1 of this act shall apply to all Turnpike Companies in this State,"

And further,

On his motion,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to establish the Red Clay Creek Church Cemetery of Mill Creek Hundred,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—7.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate a Company for making a turnpike road from the Borough of Wilmington to the line between this State and Pennsylvania, at or near the house now occupied by Charles Twaddell,' passed at Dover, January 21, 1811,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, as amended, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—7.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof and its concurrence in the Senate amendment requested.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock, this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The House bill entitled, "An act to divorce Matilda Ann Carr and Charles Llewellyn Carr, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order,

And

*Passed the Senate.*

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

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

"An act to divorce Leah E. Quillen and Ebenezer E. Quillen, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony," and

"An act to incorporate the Seaford Seminary,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to divorce Leah E. Quillen and Ebenezer E. Quillen, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Seaford Seminary,"

Was read.

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

"An act to incorporate the Beaver Dam Ditch Company in Baltimore Hundred, Sussex County, Delaware."

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

"An act for the relief of Joseph Hossinger, Administrator of Fergus Mayne,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill just received and entitled, "An act for the relief of Joseph Hossinger, Administrator of Fergus Mayne,"

Was read,

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted and requested the concurrence of the Senate in a joint resolution entitled,

"Joint Resolution directing the State Treasurer to pay a certain sum of money to the Treasurer of the Pennsylvania Institution for the instruction of the Deaf and Dumb,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House joint resolution just received and entitled, "Joint Resolution directing the State Treasurer to pay a certain sum of money to the Treasurer of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb,"

Was read,

And,

On motion of Mr. Belville.

Was

*Concurred in.*

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

Mr. Ponder presented the petition of Edwin R. Paynter and other citizens of Sussex County, praying the passage of an act to regulate the management of the drawbridge over Broadkill Creek, in said county,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And, further,

On his motion,

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

Whereupon,

Messrs. Ponder, Williamson and Hickman were appointed said Committee.

Mr. Williamson, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the

following House bills and joint resolutions as being duly and correctly enrolled and presented the same to the Speaker for his signature, to wit:

"A further additional supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to extend the time for recording deeds.'"

"An act to authorize Noah Isaacs to alter and straighten a certain public road in Nanticoke Hundred, Sussex County, Delaware."

"An act for the benefit of Thomas L. Cannon."

"An act to change the name of Lewis Edward Chaplin Hearn to Edward Chaplin Coulbourn."

"An act to divorce Sarah E. Barcus from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to divorce Ezekiel Blackiston and Mary his wife from the bonds of matrimony."

"A supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate 'The Trustees of the Home for Friendless and Destitute Children,' in the City of Wilmington.'"

"An act to divorce Martha A. Moody and Robert J. Moody, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to divorce Amanda Hodson and Robert W. Hodson, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to limit the term of office of the State Treasurer and Auditor of Accounts of this State."

"A further additional supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate a Company for the purpose of cutting and making a canal between the Chesapeake Bay and Bay or River Delaware, or the waters thereof,'"

"An act to amend Section 19 of Chapter 55 of the Revised Code of the Delaware Laws."

"An act to incorporate the Delaware and Chesapeake Tow Boat Company."

"Joint Resolution to appoint a committee of three on the part of the House, and two on the part of the Senate, to examine the accounts of the State Treasurer, to report to the General Assembly on or before the first day of February, 1865."

"Joint Resolution for the meeting of both Houses on Tuesday morning, January 24, at 11 o'clock; for the purpose of electing a United States Senator."

"Joint Resolution, allowing extra compensation to State Treasurer," and

"Joint Resolution providing for the contingent expenses of the Secretary of State."

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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WEDNESDAY, March 8, 1865—10 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act for the relief of Joseph Hossenger, administrator of Fergus Mayne,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Bewley presented the petition of Mary E. Simmons, praying the passage of an act to divorce her from her husband, Henry Simmons,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

And, further,

On his motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Divorces.

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the

Senate that the House had passed and requested the concurrence of the Senate in the following bills and joint resolutions, to wit:

"An act to amend Chapter 9, Chapter 10 and Chapter 18 of the Revised Code."

"An act to prevent certain animals running at large within the limits of School District No. 47 of New Castle County."

"An act to prevent swine from running at large within Dover Hundred, Kent County."

"An act to authorize the Levy Court and Court of Appeal of Sussex County, to purchase or acquire the drawbridge over the Nanticoke River, at Seaford, for the purpose of making the same a public and free bridge."

"Joint Resolution in relation to the Law Library," and

"Joint Resolution to meet the increased expenses of publishing the sixth volume of the Judicial Reports of this State,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

He also informed the Senate that the House had non-concurred in the Senate bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Great Salt Lick Oil and Mining Company,"

And returned the same to the Senate.

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

"An act to incorporate the Diamond State Iron Company."

Mr. Williamson, from the special committee to whom was referred the petition of Edwin R. Paynter and other citizens of Sussex county, praying the passage of an act to regulate the management of the drawbridge over Broadkirk Creek in said county,

Reported a bill entitled, "A further supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to erect and keep in good repair a bridge over Broadkirk Creek, where the State road crosses the said creek, at a place called Samuel Paynter's Landing.'"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to prevent swine from running at large within Dover Hundred, Kent County,"

Was read,

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize the making of a private road in Kent County,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Cahall offered an amendment to the bill under consideration,

Which,

On motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the bill by inserting in the tenth line of Section 1, between the word "deceased," and the word "And" in said line, the following, viz : "Also commencing on the southern side of the aforesaid Thomas Williams' dwelling-house, and running in a southerly direction until it reaches an old neighborhood road leading from the 'Hill Farm' to the King's Road or the State Road opposite the lands of S. M. Collins,"

And, further,

On his motion,

The amendment was *Adopted.*

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

"An act to make part of a certain public road in Pencader Hundred, New Castle County, a charge upon the said County,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

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

"A further supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to limit the City debt of Wilmington and to provide for the discharge thereof,' passed February 21, 1849,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 9, Chapter 10 and Chapter 18 of the Revised Code,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House joint resolution entitled "Joint Resolution in relation to the Law Library,"

Was read,

And, further,

On his motion,

Was

*Concurred in.*

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

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "A further supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to limit the City debt of Wilmington, and to provide for the discharge thereof,' passed February 21, 1849,"

Was read,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize the Levy Court and Court of Appeal of Sussex County to purchase or acquire the drawbridge over the Nanticoke River at Seaford, for the purpose of making the same a public and free bridge,"

Was read,

And, further,

On his motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to make part of a certain public road in Pencader Hundred, New Castle County, a charge upon the said County,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution to meet the increased expenses of publishing the sixth volume of the Judicial Reports of this State,"

Was read, \

And, further,

On his motion,

Was

*Concurred in.*

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

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Seaford Seminary,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to prevent certain animals running at large within the limits of School District No. 47 of New Castle County."

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Williamson

The House bill entitled, "An act for the relief of Joseph Hossinger, Administrator of Fergus Mayne,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order,

And

*Passed the Senate.*

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

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

"An act to enable Curtis Vinyard, Jr., to straighten a public road upon his own land in Milford Hundred," and

"An act to amend the Ninety-ninth Chapter of the Revised Code,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend the Ninety-ninth Chapter of the Revised Code,"

Was read,

And,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

Was referred to a committee of three,

Whereupon,

Messrs. Bewley, Elliott and Hickman were appointed said Committee.

Mr. Hickman, from the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to divorce Leah E. Quillen and Ebenezer E. Quillen, her husband from the bonds of matrimony,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate without amendment, and with the recommendation that it pass.

And, thereupon,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to enable Curtis Vinyard, Jr., to straighten a public road upon his own land in Milford Hundred,"

Was read.

Mr. Bewley, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the House bill entitled,

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate a Company for making a turnpike road from the Borough of Wilmington to the line between this State and Pennsylvania, or to communicate with the artificial road contemplated, from the Gap to Newport,' passed February 1, 1808,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate without amendment, and with the recommendation that it pass.

And, thereupon,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Bewley moved,

That the Senate do now adjourn,

And,

On the question, "Will the Senate now adjourn?"

Mr. Bewley called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch and Williamson—6.

Nays—Mr. Elliott—1.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And

The Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

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SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Bewley, from the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Mary E. Simmons, praying the passage of an act to divorce her from her husband, Henry Simmons,

Reported a bill entitled, "An act to divorce Mary E. Simmons, from her husband, Henry Simmons,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize the making of a private road in Kent County,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, as amended and

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof and its concurrence in the Senate amendment requested.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act to divorce Mary E. Simmons, from her husband, Henry Simmons,"

Was read a second time by its title by special order of the Senate.

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

"An act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Code," and

"An act increasing the fees of witnesses, jurors, commissioners appointed by the courts, appraisers and freeholders to lay out roads,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

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

"An act to incorporate the town of Frederica,"

And returned the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Belyille,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act to divorce Mary E. Simmons, from her husband, Henry Simmons,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order,

And *Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Code,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The House bill entitled, "An act increasing the fees of witnesses, jurors, commissioners appointed by the courts, appraisers and freeholders to lay out roads,"

Was read.

Mr. Williamson, from the special committee to whom was referred the petition of Edward D. Porter and other citizens of Newark, in New Castle County, praying the passage of an act to amend the law with reference to the repair of roads in said town,

Reported that the committee deemed it inexpedient to legislate upon the subject.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The report of the committee was accepted and the committee discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Belville, from the special committee to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act for the benefit of married women," reported as the unfinished business of the last session,

Reported a bill entitled, "An act for the benefit of married women,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate a Company for making a Turnpike Road from the Borough of Wilmington to the line between this State and Pennsylvania, or to communicate with the artificial road contemplated from the Gap to Newport,' passed February 1, 1808."

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate.

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate,"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

Yeas—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch and Williamson—7.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative.

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to make part of a certain public road in Pencader Hundred, New Castle County, a charge upon the said county,"

Was read a second time by its title by special order of the Senate.

Mr. Belville moved,

That the Senate do now adjourn,

Which motion

Was

*Lost.*

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "An act to enable Curtis Vinyard, Jr., to straighten a public road upon his own land, in Milford Hundred,"

Was read a second time by its title by special order of the Senate.

On motion

The Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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THURSDAY, March 9, 1865—10 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act authorizing State aid for the construction of the Delaware and Pennsylvania State Line Railroad,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Williamson offered amendments to the bill under consideration,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read, as follows :

Amend Section 1 of the bill by inserting between the word, "property" and the word, "of," in the thirtieth line of said Section, the words, "and franchises;" also, by inserting between the word "Company," and the word "such," in the thirty-first line thereof, the words "then held or thereafter to be acquired."

Amend Section 1 of the bill further, by adding thereto the following, that is to say: "And the said Company shall also deposit with the State Treasurer bonds of the Company to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars, to be held by the State Treasurer, as further collateral security, and that in case of default or neglect by said Company to pay the interest on said bonds, as the same shall fall due, then and in that case, the State Treasurer shall, and he is hereby authorized to advertise and sell at public sale a sufficient number of said bonds to meet the payment of interest guaranteed by the State as aforesaid."

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The amendments were

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The bill under consideration was read a third time, and by paragraphs, as amended, in order to pass the Senate.

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

Mr. Bewley called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott, Hickman and Williamson—4.

*Nays*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hitch and Ponder—4.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill not having received a majority of votes,

Was *Non-concurred in.*

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

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

"An act authorizing the Columbia and Port Deposit Railroad Company, incorporated by the States of Pennsylvania and Maryland, to extend their road from some point of the State line of Maryland to the Delaware River or Bay,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act for the benefit of married women,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Seaford Seminary,"

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—8.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative.

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

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

"An act requiring a license for carrying on the business of opening oysters for the purpose of exportation from this State."

And presented the same to the Senate.

He also informed the Senate that the House had concurred in the Senate amendment to the House bill entitled,  
 "An act for the relief of Joseph I. Taggart."

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled; "An act to enable Curtis Vinyard, Jr., to straighten a public road upon his own land in Milford Hundred,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, and

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The House bill entitled, "An act to divorce Leah E. Quillen and Ebenezer E. Quillen, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, and

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Kent County Railroad Company in this State,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Williamson offered amendments to the bill under consideration,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read as follows :

Amend the bill by striking out of Section 2 the words, "between Smyrna Station and Middletown," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "not more than one mile from the place called Townsend."

Amend the preamble to the bill by striking out the words "between Smyrna Station and Middletown," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "not more than one mile from the place called Townsend."

Mr. Williamson moved

That the amendments be adopted,

Pending which question,

Mr. Bewley offered an amendment to the amendments,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the amendments by striking out the word "ore," wherever it occurs in said amendments; and inserting in lieu thereof the word "four."

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The amendment to the amendments was

*Adopted.*

The question then being, "Shall the amendments, as amended, be adopted?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendments as amended were

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "A further supplement to the act entitled, "An act to limit the City debt of Wilmington, and to provide for the discharge thereof," passed February 21, 1849,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Code,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Bewley, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Duck Creek Oil Company of Smyrna, Delaware,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And,

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act increasing the fees of witnesses, jurors, commissioners appointed by the courts, appraisers and freeholders to lay out roads,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The Senate bill entitled, "A further supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to erect and keep in good repair a bridge over Broadkilk Creek, where the State road crosses the said Creek at a place called Samuel Paynter's Landing,'"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Kent County Railroad Company in this State,"

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—8.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative.

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered to the House for concurrence.*

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Belville moved,

That the House bill entitled, "An act to make part of a certain public road in Pencader Hundred, New Castle County, a charge upon the said county," be read a third time, and by paragraphs, in order to pass the Senate,

Which motion *Prevailed.*

Section 1 and the title having been read and adopted,

And,

Pending the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?"

Mr. Belville moved,

That the further consideration thereof be postponed until Tuesday next, the 14th instant,

Which motion *Prevailed.*

And the further consideration thereof was so *Postponed.*

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

"An act to vacate a private road in Georgetown Hundred, Sussex county,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

He also informed the Senate, that the House had concurred in the Senate amendment to the House bill entitled, "An act to authorize the making of a private road in Kent County."

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 9, Chapter 10 and Chapter 18 of the Revised Code,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The House bill entitled, "An act to vacate a private road in Georgetown Hundred, Sussex County,"

Was read,

And,

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to aid the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company in the completion of their road, and for other purposes,"

Was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The bill under consideration,

Was re-committed to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Bewley, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the House of Refuge of New Castle County,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows:

Amend Section 1 of the bill by inserting in the tenth line thereof, between the words "William S. Hilles," in the said line, and the word "and," in the eleventh line, the following words, to wit: "David C.

Wilson, Jesse Sharp, Henry F. Askew, Robert D. Hicks, Edward Moore, Theodore F. Crawford, John Watson Evans,"

And further,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

Mr. Cahall moved

That the vote by which the House bill entitled, "An act authorizing State aid for the construction of the Delaware and Pennsylvania State Line Railroad," was noncurred in, be reconsidered,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

And the vote was

*Reconsidered.*

Pending the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?"

Mr. Cahall moved

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Thursday next, the 16th instant,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

And the further consideration thereof was so.

*Postponed.*

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the House of Refuge of New Castle County,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Williamson offered an amendment to the bill under consideration,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend Section 3 of the bill by striking out of the tenth line thereof the word "March," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "April."

And further,

On motion of Mr. Williamson,  
The amendment was *Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Bewley,  
The bill  
Was read a second time by its title.

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

"A supplement to the act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Dover and Mahon River Railroad Company,'"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the House of Refuge, of New Castle County,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, as amended, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—8.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof and its concurrence in the Senate amendments requested.

Mr. Bewley

Asked,

And

Obtained the unanimous consent of the Senate, to introduce a bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Diamond State Chemical Company,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

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

"An act concerning the real estate of James D. Wilds, deceased,"

And

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to relieve the people of this State from draft,' passed at Dover, February 16, A. D., 1865,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act concerning the real estate of James D. Wilds, deceased,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Dover and Mahon River Railroad Company,'"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "An act authorizing the Columbia and Port Deposit Railroad Company, incorporated by the States of Pennsylvania and Maryland, to extend their road from some point of the State line of Maryland to the Delaware River or Bay,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to relieve the people of this State from draft,' passed at Dover, February 16, 1865,"

Was read,

And,

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "An act requiring a license for carrying on the business of opening oysters for the purpose of exportation from this State,"

Was read.

Mr. Belville moved,

That the Senate bill entitled, "An act for the benefit of married women," be read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

The several sections and the title having been read and adopted,

And,

Pending the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?"

Mr. Bewley moved,

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until tomorrow morning,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

And the further consideration thereof was so

*Postponed.*

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Dover and Mahon River Railroad Company,'"

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had passed and requested the concurrence of the Senate in the following bills and joint resolutions, to wit:

"An act for the preservation of certain records."

"An act to incorporate the New Castle County Mutual Association for the promotion of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

"An act to incorporate the Wilmington Skating Park Association."

"Joint Resolutions appointing committee to settle with the State Treasurer and Auditor of Accounts," and

"Joint Resolution of adjournment, on Friday, the seventeenth instant, *sine die*."

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution of adjournment on Friday, the seventeenth instant, *sine die*,"

Was read.

Mr. Belville moved,

That the Senate do concur in the joint resolution.

Pending which question,

Mr. Bewley moved,

That the further consideration of the joint resolution be postponed until Thursday next, the 16th instant,

And,

On the question "Shall the further consideration of the resolution be so postponed?"

Mr. Bewley called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman and Ponder—4.

*Nays*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott, Hitch and Williamson—4.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion was

*Lost.*

The question recurring on the motion to concur in the resolution,

On the question,

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Elliott and Williamson—4.

*Nays*—Messrs. Cahall, Hickman, Hitch and Ponder—4.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the joint resolution

Was

*Non-concurred in.*

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

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House joint resolutions entitled, "Joint Resolutions appointing committee to settle with the State Treasurer and Auditor of Accounts"

Were read,

And, further,

On his motion,

Were

*Concurred in.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof, and the joint resolution returned to that body,

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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FRIDAY, March 10, 1865—9 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Bewley offered a joint resolution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows:

*Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met,* That no new business will be acted upon by either House after Tuesday next ensuing the adoption hereof,

And further,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,  
The joint resolution was

*Adopted.*

*Ordered* to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Ponder moved,

That the vote by which the joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution in relation to new business," was adopted be reconsidered,

And

Pending the question, "Shall the vote by which the joint resolution was adopted be reconsidered?"

Mr. Ponder moved,

That the further consideration thereof be postponed until Tuesday next, the fourteenth instant,

Which motion,

*Prevailed.*

And the further consideration thereof was so

*Postponed.*

Mr. Bewley, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was recommitted the House bill entitled,

"An act to aid the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company in the completion of their road, and for other purposes,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate with sundry amendments to the amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read, as follows:

Amend the amendment as follows, that is to say: by striking out the words "eighty-eight," in the eleventh line of the second Section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "one hundred and thirty-two;" also by striking out the words "eighty-eight," in the nineteenth line of the same Section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "forty-four."

Amend the amendment further by striking out of the twenty-seventh line of Section 4, the words "eighty-eight," and inserting in lieu thereof, the words "one hundred and thirty-two."

Amend the amendment further by inserting after the word "mortgage," and before the word "shall," in the thirty-second line of Section 4, the words "shall bear interest from date and,"

Amend the amendment further by striking out all of Sections 13, 14 and 15.

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The amendments were

*Adopted.*

Mr. Cahall offered a further amendment to the amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the amendment by adding the following Section, to wit :

"Section 13. The county of Kent shall be forever exempt from any taxation to pay either interest or principal created by the provisions of this act."

Mr. Cahall moved,

That the amendment to the amendment be adopted,

And,

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

Mr. Cahall called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley and Cahall—2.

*Nays*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—6.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the amendment to the amendment was

*Lost.*

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to aid the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company in the completion of their road, and for other purposes,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, as amended, and

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof and its concurrence in the Senate amendments requested.

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

"An act to divorce John H. Powell and Catharine, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "A further supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to limit the City Debt of Wilmington, and to provide for the discharge thereof,' passed February 21, 1849,"

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

Pending the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?"

Mr. Hickman moved,

That the further consideration thereof be postponed until Tuesday next, the fourteenth instant,

And,

On the question, "Shall the further consideration thereof be so postponed?"

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch and Ponder—5.

*Nays*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahal and Williamson—3.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the further consideration of the bill was so

*Postponed.*

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

"An act for the relief of Charles A. Edwards, an imprisoned non-resident debtor."

"An act to authorize James A. Martin and James F. Sipple to straighten a public road in Milford Hundred, Kent County," and

"An act authorizing Manlove R. Carlisle, Administrator D. B. N. of Bethuel Watson, deceased, to pay a certain legacy,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act concerning the real estate of James D. Wilds, deceased,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "An act authorizing the Columbia and Port Deposit Railroad Company, incorporated by the States of Pennsylvania and Maryland, to extend their road from some point of the State line of Maryland to the Delaware River or Bay,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Diamond State Chemical Company,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act authorizing the Columbia and Port Deposit Railroad Company, incorporated by the States of Pennsylvania and Maryland, to extend their road from some point of the State line of Maryland to the Delaware River or Bay,"

Was taken up for consideration.

And, thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The further consideration of the bill was postponed until Wednesday next, the fifteenth instant.

Mr. Williamson, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following House bills as being duly and correctly enrolled, and pre-

sent the same to the Speaker of the Senate for his signature, to wit :

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Artisan's Savings Bank,' and

"An act to incorporate the Dover and Mahon River Railroad Company."

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act for the benefit of married women,"

Was taken up for consideration.

And, thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The bill under consideration was re-committed to the Committee previously raised upon the subject.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The Senate bill entitled, "A further supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to erect and keep in good repair a bridge over Broadkirk creek, where the State road crosses the said creek, at a place called Samuel Paynter's Landing,'"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act concerning the real estate of James D. Wilds, deceased,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order,

And

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Dover and Mahon River Railroad Company,'"

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch and Ponder—5.

*Nays*—Messrs.—Belville, Elliott and Williamson—3.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill, not having received the constitutional majority,

Was

*Non-concurred in.*

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

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 8 o'clock and 30 minutes on Monday evening next.

MONDAY, March 13, 1865—8.30 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

*Present*—Messrs. Elliott, Hickman, Hitch and Williamson—4.

There being no quorum.

On motion.

The Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, March 14, 1865—10 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. T. B. Bradford.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the New Castle County Mutual Association for the promotion of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Wilmington Skating Park Association,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act requiring a license for carrying on the business of opening oysters for the purpose of exportation from this State,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Wilmington Skating Park Association,"

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the New Castle County Association for the promotion of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts,"

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to prevent swine from running at large within Dover Hundred, Kent County,"

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Bewley, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Duck Creek Oil Company, of Smyrna, Delaware,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate, with an amendment, Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the bill by adding the following, as an additional Section, to wit :

"SECTION 13. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That it shall be the duty of the Corporation by this Act created to have an office in the town of Smyrna, and a portion of the business of said Corporation shall be carried on and conducted within the limits of this State."

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

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

"An act to amend Sections 3, 4, 5 and 32 of Chapter 125 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock, this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker *pro tempore* laid upon the Clerk's table a communication from His Excellency, Gove Saulsbury, the Governor, enclosing a communication from the Commissioners appointed by the act entitled, "An act to relieve the people of this State from draft,"

Which,

At his request,

Was read, as follows :

STATE OF DELAWARE,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

HON. WILLIAM HITCH,

*Speaker of the Senate, pro tem. :*

SIR :—I herewith transmit a communication this day received from the Clerk of the Commissioners appointed by an act of the General Assembly entitled, "An act to relieve the people of this State from draft," passed at the present session of the Legislature, and recommend that such action be taken by the Legislature as may be necessary to protect the interests of the State in the matter referred to.

Very Respectfully,

GOVE SAULSBURY.

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE, *March 13, 1865.*

To His Excellency

GOVE SAULSBURY,

*Governor of the State of Delaware.*

DEAR SIR :—The Commissioners have requested me to lay the following facts before you, that you in your better judgment may do what may be right and proper to protect the interests of the State.

During the draft under the late call of the President for 500,000 men, there were a number of the citizens of this State drafted, who had been drafted under the previous call, and had paid their commutation money, they paying \$100, the State paying \$200. These

persons so drafted were held and compelled to furnish substitutes; to aid them in the procuration the State paid to them the further sum of \$500. After this, by orders from the War Department, those who had previously paid commutation money were exempted from liability under the draft first mentioned. Those persons, therefore, who had paid commutation money, and also furnished substitutes, have claimed from the War Department the return of their commutation money. The War Department has acceded to this demand in one case, that of James P. Hoffecker of East Duck Creek Hundred, he having had the \$300 commutation money returned to him. This will of course be a precedent for paying the \$300 to all of his class.

We think that as the parties paid but \$100 of the \$300, there should be returned to them only the amount actually paid by them, and that the State of Delaware should in each and every case receive \$200, the amount paid by her.

We bring this matter to your attention, so that you, as Governor, may make a direct application to the War Department to that effect, or, if more advisable, the application might be made through you by the General Assembly.

The amount involved will be sufficient to demand the attention of those having in charge the interests of the State.

With respect,

I am, truly, your obedient servant, &c.

RICH'D G. COOPER,

*for Commissioners.*

P. S.—There are now here five or six persons of the class alluded to, who are making arrangements for the return to them of the commutation money.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The communication received from the Governor,

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

Whereupon,

Messrs. Bewley, Hickman and Elliott were appointed said committee.

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted and requested the concurrence of the Senate in a joint resolution entitled,

"Joint Resolution appointing Directors in the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

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

"An act to divorce Mary E. Simmons from her husband, Henry Simmons."

And returned the same to the Senate.

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

"An act to aid the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company in the completion of their road, and for other purposes."

Mr. Williamson

Asked,

And,

Obtained the unanimous consent of the Senate to introduce a bill entitled, "An act to revive an act entitled, 'An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate of Samuel M. Leiper, deceased,' passed February 17, 1859,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

And, further,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order,

And

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act authorizing Manlove R. Carlisle,

Administrator D. B. N. of Bethuel Watson, deceased, to pay a certain legacy,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The House bill entitled, "An act to divorce John H. Powell and Catharine, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read,

And,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

Was referred to the Committee on Divorces.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act for the relief of Charles A. Edwards, an imprisoned non-resident debtor,"

Was read.

Mr. Williamson presented the remonstrance of Downing & Price and others, against the passage of, said bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize James A. Martin and James F. Sipple to straighten a public road in Milford Hundred, Kent County,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Code,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, and

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act increasing the fees of Witnesses,

Jurors, Commissioners appointed by the Courts, Appraisers, and Freeholders to lay out roads,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, and

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 9, Chapter 10, and Chapter 18 of the Revised Code,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, and

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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WEDNESDAY, March 15, 1865—10 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. T. B. Bradford.

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had passed and requested the concurrence of the Senate in the following bills and joint resolutions, to-wit:

"An act to incorporate the Town of Seaford, and for other purposes."

"A further supplement to the act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Home for Friendless and Destitute Children in the City of Wilmington."

"An act for the improvement of Morgan's Branch, in Kent County."

"An act to authorize the Register of Wills in and for New Castle County, to procure a new seal of office."

"An act to amend Chapter 128 of the Revised Code."

"An act in relation to injuries or death occasioned by unlawful violence or negligence."

"An act to prevent the loading of gunpowder within certain distances of railroads."

"Joint Resolution directing the State Treasurer to pay the members of this General Assembly in gold or its equivalent in currency,"

And

"Joint Resolution concerning the contingent expenses of the office of Secretary of State."

And presented the same to the Senate.

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

"An act to revive an act entitled, 'An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate of Samuel M. Leiper, deceased,' passed February 17, 1859,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

Mr. Cahall presented the petition of Giddiah Beauchamp, praying the passage of an act to confirm his title to certain lands,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And, further,

On his motion,

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

Whereupon,

Messrs. Cahall, Elliott and Ponder were appointed said Committee.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Diamond State Chemical Company,"

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—8.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative.

And the bill having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "An act authorizing the Columbia and Port Deposit Railroad Company, incorporated by the States of Pennsylvania and Maryland, to extend their road from some point of the State line of Maryland to the Delaware River or Bay,"

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch and Williamson—6.

Nays—Messrs. Elliott and Ponder—2.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

Mr. Bewley moved,

That the vote by which the House bill entitled, "An act authorizing the Columbia and Port Deposit Railroad Company, incorporated by the States of Pennsylvania and Maryland, to extend their road

from some point of the State line of Maryland to the Delaware River or Bay," passed the Senate, be reconsidered.

Pending which question,

Mr. Bently moved,

That the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table,

Which motion,

*Prevailed.*

Mr. Belville, from the Special Committee to whom was re-committed the Senate bill entitled, "An act for the benefit of married women,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate with sundry amendments,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read, as follows :

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out all after the word "marriage," in the fifteenth line, and before the word "provided" in the twenty-second line thereof.

Amend Section 2 of the bill by adding after the word "invest," in the eighth line thereof, the following words, to wit: "in her own name,"

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The amendments were

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The bill, as amended,

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, and

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* to the House for concurrence.

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

"An act to restrict certain animals from running at large in Mill Creek Hundred,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

Mr. Ponder, in pursuance of previous notice,

Asked,

And,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

Obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the town of Milton,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

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

"An act concerning the McCullough Iron Company,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the New Castle County Mutual Association for the promotion of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts,"

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—8.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The House bill entitled, "An act for the preservation of certain records,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "A supplement to the act entitled, "An act to limit the City debt of Wilmington and to provide for the discharge thereof," passed February 21, 1849,"

Was taken up for consideration.

The question pending being, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?"

On the question,

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott, Ponder and Williamson—4.

*Nays*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman and Hitch—4.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill, not having received a majority of votes,

Was

*Non-concurred in.*

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

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Wilmington Skating Park Association,"

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—8.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative;

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution concerning the contingent expenses of the office of the Secretary of State,"

Was read.

Mr. Bewley moved,

That the joint resolution be concurred in.

Pending which question,

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The further consideration thereof was postponed until this afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act in relation to injuries or death occasioned by unlawful violence or negligence."

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 128 of the Revised Code,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act in relation to injuries or death occasioned by unlawful violence or negligence,"

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 128 of the Revised Code,"

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,  
The House bill entitled, "An act for the improvement of Morgan's Branch, in Kent County,"

Was read,

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

**SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.**

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cahall, from the Special Committee to whom was referred the petition of Giddiah Beauchamp, praying the passage of an act to confirm his title to certain lands,

Reported a bill entitled, "An act confirming the title of Giddiah Beauchamp to certain lands,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "A further supplement to an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Home for Friendless and Destitute Children, in the City of Wilmington,'"

Was read.

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

"An act to authorize the Secretary of State to collect the sum of two dollars for issuing military commissions;"

And presented the same to the Senate.

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

"An act to amend Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware," and

"An act to punish all persons engaged in prize-fighting,"

And returned the same to the Senate.

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

"An act to incorporate the House of Refuge, of New Castle County."

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "A further supplement to the act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Home for Friendless and Destitute Children, in the City of Wilmington,"

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize the Register of Wills, in and for New Castle County, to procure a new seal of office,"

Was read.

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

Mr. Williamson, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the

following Senate bills as being duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same to the Speaker for his signature, to wit :

"An act to amend the charter of the Kent County Mutual Insurance Company, and to extend the same for the period of twenty years."

"An act to incorporate the Brandywine Hundred Mutual Horse Company for the recovery of stolen horses," and

"An act to incorporate the town of Frederica."

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize the Register of Wills, in and for New Castle County, to procure a new seal of office,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Belville offered an amendment to the bill under consideration, Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the bill by inserting in the first line of Section 1, between the word "be" and the word "enacted," the word "it;" also by inserting, after the word "enacted" and before the word "That" in said line, the words "by the authority aforesaid."

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act confirming the title of Giddiah Beauchamp to certain lands,"

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

Mr. Bewley presented the petition of William Denney and others, praying the passage of an act to incorporate the Duck Creek Oil Company, of Smyrna,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Duck Creek Oil Company of Smyrna, Delaware,"

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott and Hickman—5.

*Nays*—Messrs. Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—3.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the bill, not having received the constitutional majority,

Was

*Lost.*

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

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act appointing Commissioners of the Great and Beach Marshes,' passed at Dover, August 10, 1864,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted and requested the concurrence of the Senate in a joint resolution entitled,

"Joint Resolution authorizing and directing the State Treasurer to procure an iron safe,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

Mr. Hickman, from the Committee on Divorces, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to divorce John H. Powell and Catharine, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, thereupon,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

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

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to provide for the Idiotic Children of the State of Delaware,' passed at Dover, February 22, A. D. 1861,"

And returned the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Sections 3, 4, 5 and 32 of Chapter 125 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to prevent the loading of gunpowder within certain distances of railroads,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize the Register of Wills in and for New Castle County, to procure a new seal of office,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, as amended, by special order,

And

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The vote by which the Senate bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Duck Creek Oil Company, of Smyrna, Delaware," was lost,

*Was Reconsidered.*

Pending the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?"

Mr. Williamson moved

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until tomorrow afternoon,

Which motion,

*Prevailed.*

And the further consideration thereof was so

*Postponed.*

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House joint resolution, entitled, "Joint Resolution appointing Directors in the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware,"

Was read.

Mr. Bewley offered sundry amendments to the joint resolution,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read, as follows :

Amend the resolution by striking out of the twenty-first line thereof the words "John L. Evans," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Samuel Townsend."

Amend the resolution further by striking out of the twenty-fourth line the words "Nathaniel W. Hickman," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "William D. Waples."

Amend the resolution further by striking out of the twenty-fifth line the words "John Hickman," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Henry Hickman."

And further,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The amendments were

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The joint resolution, as amended,

Was

*Concurred in.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof and its concurrence in the Senate amendments requested.

Mr. Ponder, from the Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to authorize the State Treasurer to convert the bonds of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company into the stock of said Company,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass.

And, thereupon,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

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

"An act to amend Chapter 121 of the Revised Statutes,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to make part of a certain public road in Pencader Hundred, New Castle County, a charge upon the said County,"

Was taken up for consideration.

The question pending being, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize the State Treasurer to convert the bonds of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company into the stock of said Company,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order,

And

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to prevent certain animals from running at large within the limits of School District No. 47 of New Castle County,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 121 of the Revised Code,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act concerning the McCullough Iron Company,"

Was taken up for consideration;

And, further,

On his motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

The Speaker announced Messrs. Ponder and Bewley as the Committee, on the part of the Senate, under the joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution appointing a committee to settle with the State Treasurer and Auditor of Accounts."

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the town of Seaford, and for other purposes,"

Was read,

And further,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title by special order of the Senate.

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the

Senate that the House had passed and requested the concurrence of the Senate in the following bills, to wit :

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to enable the citizens of the town of South Milford, in Sussex County, to keep in repair the public roads in said town and vicinity,' passed at Dover, March 2, 1855," and

"An act to incorporate the Hudson's Branch Ditch Company,"  
And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the town of Seaford, and for other purposes,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—8.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

Mr. Bewley, from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to vacate a private road in Georgetown Hundred, Sussex County,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate without amendment and with the recommendation that it pass,

And, thereupon,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution directing the State Treasurer to pay the members of this General Assembly in gold, or its equivalent in currency,"

Was read,

And,

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

Was

*Concurred in.*

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

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to prevent swine from running at large within Dover Hundred, Kent County,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, and

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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THURSDAY, March 16, 1865—10 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. T. B. Bradford.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Town of Milton,"

Was read a second time by its title.

And, further,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, and Ponder—7.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered to the House for concurrence.*

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to restrict certain animals from running at large in Mill Creek and Christiana Hundreds,"

Was read.

Mr. Belville offered sundry amendments to the bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read, as follows :

Amend Section 1 of the bill by inserting after the word "hundreds," in the fourth line thereof, the following words, to wit: "and no member of a family the head of which shall hold land as aforesaid."

Amend Section two by inserting after the word "hundreds," in the second line thereof, the words "or but one member of the family of such resident."

Amend Section 4 by striking out the words "said hundreds," in the twelfth line thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "the hundred wherein said person resides."

Amend Section 4 of the bill further by adding thereto the follow-

ing words, to wit: "Provided said penalty or damages be sued for within twenty days after each transgression or trespass."

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The amendments

Were

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

Mr. Bewley, from the special committee to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to amend the Ninety-ninth Chapter of the Revised Code,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate without amendment, and with the recommendation that it pass.

And, thereupon,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize C. T. Fleming to change the location and straighten a public road hereinafter mentioned,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize C. T. Fleming to change the location and straighten a certain public road hereinafter mentioned,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Cahall offered an amendment to the bill under consideration, Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows:

Amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting in lieu thereof the following, to wit:

"That James Davis, Daniel Mitten and Joshua H. Hill be and they are hereby appointed to go upon the public road, leading from a place known as the Savannah Church eastwardly out to the public road leading from Milford to Frederica, in Milford Hundred, Kent County, as follows: Beginning at a point in said road opposite the out gate of a farm of the Potter Estate known as the Tan-yard Farm, and if, in the judgment of the aforesaid Commissioners, there is a need of a change or new road leading out to the road leading from Milford to Frederica, then the aforesaid Commissioners shall employ some skillful surveyor, and lay off so much of the aforesaid road leading to the road from Milford to Frederica, and the same shall be a public road when accepted by the Levy Court of Kent County, and the cost of opening and making the aforesaid road shall be borne by the parties whose lands the road passes through."

SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted*, That before the aforesaid Commissioners enter upon their duties they shall be severally sworn or affirmed to do their duties with fidelity, and if they should lay out a road then they shall cause a plot to be made out, the same to be returned to the Clerk of the Peace, to be laid before the Levy Court of Kent County for their approval, and the aforesaid Commissioners shall be paid one dollar each for each day they may be employed in laying out the aforesaid road."

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The bill

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, as amended, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate.

The several sections having been read and adopted and the title read,

And,

Pending the question, "Shall that be the title of the bill?"

Mr. Cahall offered an amendment to the title,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the title by striking out the words "to authorize C. T. Fleming,"

And, further,

On his motion,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

The title, as amended, was then read and adopted:

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

It was decided in the affirmative.

And the bill

*Passed the Senate:*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof and its concurrence in the Senate amendments requested.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize Manlove R. Carlisle, Administrator D. B. N. of Bethuel Watson, deceased, to pay a certain legacy,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act confirming the title of Giddiah Beauchamp to certain lands,

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, and

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act to divorce John H. Powell and Catharine, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, and

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The House bill entitled, "An act to vacate a private road in Georgetown Hundred, Sussex County,

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, and

*Passed the Senate.*

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

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had passed and requested the concurrence of the Senate in the following bills and joint resolution, to wit :

"An act to vacate certain roads within the limits of the City of Wilmington."

"An act to incorporate the Washington Hotel Company, and

"Joint Resolution in reference to Railroad Corporations existing by authority of this State,"

And presented the same to the Senate:

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 128 of the Revised Code,"

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

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

It was decided in the negative,

And the bill

Was *Non-concurred in.*

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

Mr. Williamson moved,

That the House bill entitled, "An act for the relief of Charles A. Edwards, an imprisoned non-resident debtor, be read a second time by its title,

Which motion

Was *Lost.*

And the bill was *Lost.*

Mr. Williamson moved

That the House bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 121 of the Revised Statutes," be read a second time by its title,

Pending which question,

Mr. Bewley moved,

That the further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Which motion

*Prevailed,*

And the further consideration of the bill was

*Indefinitely postponed.*

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

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act in relation to injuries or death occasioned by unlawful violence or negligence,"

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

Pending the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?"

Mr. Ponder moved

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the second Tuesday of June next,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

And the further consideration thereof was so

*Postponed.*

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Sections 3, 4, 5 and 32 of Chapter 125 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Williamson offered amendments to the bill under consideration,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read, as follows :

Amend Section 1 of the bill by inserting between the word "that" and the word "chapter," in the third line, the words "Section 3 of,"

Amend said Section further by inserting between the figures "\$2.50," and the word "and," in the eleventh line, the following words, to wit: "*Provided* That the provisions of this act shall not apply to any session of the General Assembly that shall continue for a longer time than sixty days."

Mr. Williamson moved,

That the first amendment be adopted,

Which motion,

*Prevailed.*

And the amendment was

*Adopted.*

Mr. Williamson moved

That the second amendment be adopted,

Pending which question,

Mr. Bewley moved

That the further consideration thereof be postponed until tomorrow morning,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

And the further consideration thereof was so

*Postponed.*

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock, this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act authorizing State aid for the construction of the Delaware and Pennsylvania State Line Railroad,"

Was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

Rule 18 was, by unanimous consent of the Senate, suspended in order to amend said bill.

Mr. Williamson offered an amendment to the bill under consideration,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following :

*"Two thirds of each branch of the Legislature concurring therein,*

SECTION 1. The Mayor and Council of Wilmington shall have power to borrow, for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and to issue the bonds of the City therefor bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per cent. per annum and payable at such time or times as the City Council shall prescribe.

SECTION 2. The Mayor and Council of Wilmington are hereby authorized to issue and loan the bonds of the City to an amount not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars to the Delaware and Pennsylvania State Line Railroad Company, receiving in exchange therefor the bonds of said Railroad Company, secured by first mortgage upon its property and franchises. *Provided*, That the City shall not be holden for the subscription to said loan or for any part thereof until a *bona fide* subscription shall have been made

from other sources and paid into the capital stock of the said Railroad Company, sufficient, when taken in connection therewith, to complete one continuous track of said Railroad from its place of beginning in the City of Wilmington to the line between this State and the State of Pennsylvania, nor shall the said bonds or any part of them be issued until one continuous track of said Railroad shall be completed and in running order to the said State line. *Provided further*, That the loan hereby authorized shall not be made nor shall any subscription thereto be binding until the expediency thereof shall have been approved by a majority of the legal voters at a special election held for that purpose in the City of Wilmington, and the City Council are hereby authorized to appoint a time for holding such election,"

And, further,

On his motion,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

Mr. Williamson offered a further amendment to the bill,

Which, /

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the title of the bill by striking out the words "State aid for" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the City of Wilmington to aid in."

And, further,

On his motion,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The bill, as amended,

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—8.

*Nays—None.*

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

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered*, that the House be informed thereof and its concurrence in the Senate amendments requested.

Mr. Todd, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bill, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"An act authorizing the Columbia and Port Deposit Railroad Company, incorporated by the States of Pennsylvania and Maryland, to extend their road from some point of the State line of Maryland to the Delaware River or Bay."

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

"An act to incorporate the Nanticoke Building Association of Seaford, Delaware,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act authorizing the Secretary of State to collect the sum of two dollars for issuing military commissions,"

Was read,

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Ponder;

The bill

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

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

"An act to appropriate the moneys in the Treasury of this State,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act authorizing the Secretary of State to collect the sum of two dollars for issuing military commissions,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order,

And *Passed the Senate.*

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

Mr. Hickman presented the claim of Edward L. Martin against the State.

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And, further,

On his motion,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to restrict certain animals from running at large in Mill Creek and Christiana Hundreds,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, as amended, by special order,

And *Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof and its concurrence in the Senate amendments requested.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The Senate bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Duck Creek Oil Company of Smyrna, Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration.

The question pending being, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?"

The yeas and nays were ordered thereon,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, and Williamson—7.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "A further supplement to the act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Trustees of the House for Friendless and Destitute Children in the City of Wilmington,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs; in order to pass the Senate.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—8.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution in reference to Railroad Corporations existing by authority of this State,"

Was read.

Mr. Bewley moved,

That the Senate do concur in the joint resolution,

And,

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

Mr. Belville called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch and Ponder—5.

*Nays*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott and Williamson—3.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the joint resolution was

*Concurred in.*

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

Mr. Ponder, from the Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to authorize the Levy Court and Court of Appeal of Sussex County to purchase or acquire the drawbridge over the Nanticoke River, at Seaford, for the purpose of making the same a public and free bridge,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend Section 1 of the bill by inserting after the word "directed," in the fifth and sixth lines thereof, and before the word "to," in the sixth line, the words, "if they shall deem it prudent and advisable."

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Belville offered a joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution of thanks to the soldiers of this State in the Army and Navy of the United States,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

*Resolved* by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met, That a vote of thanks is due and hereby tendered to the soldiers of the Army and Navy from this State who have so nobly given their services and lives in the defence of our government against armed rebellion.

Mr. Belville moved,

That the joint resolution be adopted,

Pending which question,

Mr. Ponder moved,

That the further consideration of the joint resolution be postponed until the second Tuesday in June next,

And,

On the question, "Shall the further consideration of the joint resolution be postponed until the second Tuesday in June next?"

Mr. Belville called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch and Ponder—5.

*Nays*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott and Williamson—3.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the further consideration of the joint resolution was so

*Postponed.*

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act to vacate certain roads within the limits of the City of Wilmington,"

Was read,

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

And, further,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order, and

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize James A. Martin and James F. Sipple to straighten a public road in Milford Hundred, Kent County,"

Was read a second time by its title.

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The bill

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order, and

*Passed the Senate.*

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

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

"An act appointing freeholders to lay out a road in Baltimore Hundred, in Sussex County,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

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

"A further supplement to the act entitled, "An act to erect and keep in good repair a bridge over Broadkiln Creek, where the State road crosses the said Creek at a place called 'Samuel Paynter's Landing,'" and

"An act confirming the title of Giddiah Beauchamp to certain lands,"

And returned the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Nanticoke Building Association of Seaford, Delaware,"

Was read,

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The House bill entitled, "An act appointing freeholders to lay out a road in Baltimore Hundred, in Sussex County,"

Was read.

Mr. Bewley, from the special committee to whom was referred the communication from His Excellency, the Governor, with reference to the refunding of commutation money, paid by citizens of this State to the Government of the United States,

Submitted as the report of said committee, certain joint resolutions entitled, "Joint Resolutions in relation to the refunding of commutation money paid by citizens of this State,"

Which,

On his motion,

Were read, as follows:

WHEREAS His Excellency, the Governor, has communicated to the Speaker of the Senate, for the information of the General Assembly, a communication dated the thirteenth instant, received by him from the Clerk of the Commissioners appointed by an act of the General Assembly, passed at the present session, entitled, "An act to relieve the people of this State from draft," by which it appears that the General Government, through the War Department, is refunding to citizens of this State the commutation money paid by them under the provision, since repealed, of an Act of Congress allowing such commutation, by persons liable to draft, and who were afterwards drafted and put in substitutes, the said commutation money being the sum of three hundred dollars;

AND WHEREAS this General Assembly, by an act passed at the session, A. D. 1864, authorized the State Treasurer to pay over to citizens of this State, liable to draft, the sum of two hundred dollars each, to aid them in raising the said commutation money, and the State is, therefore, in justice and equity entitled to have the said commutation money so furnished refunded to her by the General Government, so that she may reimburse herself the expense so incurred by her,

AND WHEREAS it is deemed advisable that an agent be appointed to represent the interest of the State, in the respect above mentioned to the General Government,

Therefore,

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met, That the Commissioners above referred to be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to request the Hon. George R. Riddle to proceed to the seat of government at Washington, and represent to the proper officers of the government the rights and claims of this State in the premises, and procure an order or other necessary warrant for the refunding of the whole commutation money in every case referred to in the preamble hereof to the Commissioners aforesaid, or otherwise to secure the same so that that it shall be under the control of the State, and the Commissioners aforesaid are hereby authorized to draw on the State Treasurer for the amount of expenses incurred by the Hon. George R. Riddle in the performance of such service.*

*Resolved, That the said Commissioners shall immediately upon the receipt of the said commutation money, pay over to each commutor within the premises of the foregoing resolution one hundred dollars of the money so received as the part thereof furnished by him.*

*Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution be forthwith made out, signed by the Speakers of the separate Houses and being duly certified by the Clerk of each House, be delivered to said Commissioners for their government in the premises.*

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The joint resolutions were

*Adopted.*

*Ordered to the House for concurrence.*

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The report of the committee was accepted and the committee discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled "An act for the preservation of certain records,"

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to prevent the loading of gunpowder within certain distances of railroads,"

Was read a second time by its title.

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The bill

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order and

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution concerning the contingent expenses of the office of Secretary of State,"

Was taken up for consideration.

The question pending being, "Shall the joint resolution be concurred in?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the joint resolution was

*Concurred in.*

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

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize Manlove Carlisle, Administrator D. B. N., of Bethuel Watson, deceased, to pay a certain legacy,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order,

And

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The House bill entitled, "An act appointing freeholders to lay out a road in Baltimore Hundred, in Sussex County,"

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The bill

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order, and

And

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act requiring a license for carrying on the business of opening oysters for the purpose of exportation from this State,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Ponder offered an amendment to the bill under consideration,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the bill by striking out the words, "one thousand," wherever they occur, and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "five hundred."

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The bill, as amended,

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof and its concurrence in the Senate amendment requested.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, March 17, 1865—9 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to enable the citizens of the town of South Milford, in Sussex County, to keep in repair the public roads in said town and vicinity,'"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Washington Hotel Company,"

Was read.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to enable the citizens of the town of South Milford in Sussex County, to keep in repair the public roads in said town and vicinity,'"

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Washington Hotel Company,"

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

And, further,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered;

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—7.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

Mr. Belville, from the Committee on Claims, reported a bill entitled,

“An act for the payment of claims against the State,”

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And, further,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

And, further,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order,

And *Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, “An act to amend the Ninety-ninth Chapter of the Revised Code,”

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the Senate.*

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

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

"An act concerning the *per diem* of Levy Court Commissioners of the several counties of this State," and

"An act enabling the banks of this State to become associations for the purpose of banking under the laws of the United States,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

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

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to promote the education of the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind,' passed at Dover, March 4, A. D. 1853."

"An act to incorporate the Kent County Railroad Company in this State."

"An act to incorporate the Diamond State Chemical Company."

"An act to incorporate the Town of Milton, and

"An act to revive an act entitled, 'An act to enable John Mansfield to locate certain salt marsh therein mentioned and complete his title to the same,' passed at Dover, March 7, 1861,"

And returned the same to the Senate.

He also informed the Senate that the House had concurred in the Senate amendments to the House bills entitled as follows, to wit :

"An act to authorize the Register of Wills, in and for New Castle County, to purchase a new seal of office," and

"An act to authorize C. T. Fleming to change the location and straighten a certain public road hereinafter mentioned.

He also informed the Senate that the House had non-concurred in the Senate amendments to the House joint resolution entitled,

"Joint Resolution appointing Directors in the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware."

Mr. Williamson offered certain joint resolutions entitled, "Joint Resolutions in relation to the donation of public lands for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts,"

Which,

On his motion,

Were read.

Mr. Williamson moved,

That the joint resolutions be adopted,

Pending which question,

Mr. Ponder moved,

That the further consideration of the joint resolutions be postponed until the second Tuesday of June next,

And,

On the question, "Shall the further consideration of the resolutions be postponed until the second Tuesday of June next?"

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman Hitch, and Ponder—5.

Nays—Messrs. Belville, Elliott and Williamson—3.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the further consideration thereof was so

*Postponed.*

Mr. Ponder moved,

That the House bill entitled, "An act concerning the *per diem* of Levy Court Commissioners of this State," be read,

Pending which question,

Mr. Belville moved,

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the second Tuesday of June next,

And,

On the question, "Shall the further consideration of the bill be so postponed?"

Mr. Belville called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Belville, Elliott and Williamson—3.

Nays—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch and Ponder—5.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the motion to postpone,

Was

*Lost.*

The question recurring, "Shall the bill be read?"

Mr. Ponder, by unanimous consent of the Senate,

Withdrew the motion to read.

Mr. Bewley offered a joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution directing the publication of the Journals and the mode of compensation,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

Was

*Adopted.*

*Ordered* to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act concerning the *per diem* of Levy Court Commissioners of the several counties of this State,"

Was taken up for consideration.

And, thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The Clerk was directed to return said bill to the House and request a clean title.

And the Clerk proceeded as directed.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act enabling the banks of this State to become associations for the purpose of banking under the laws of the United States,"

Was read.

Mr. Belville moved,

That the bill be read a second time, by its title, by special order of the Senate,

Pending which question,

Mr. Bewley moved,

That the further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed,  
And,

On the question, "Shall the further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed?"

Mr. Belville called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch and Ponder—5.

*Nays*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott and Williamson—3.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the further consideration of the bill was

*Indefinitely postponed.*

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

Mr. Bewley, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act concerning the McCullough Iron Company,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate without amendment, and with the recommendation that it pass.

And, thereupon,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read,

And, further,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "A supplement to the act entitled, 'An

act to enable the citizens of the town of South Milford, in Sussex County, to keep in repair the public roads in said town and vicinity,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order

And *Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The House bill entitled, "An act concerning the McCullough Iron Company,"

Was read a third time and by paragraphs, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—7.

Nays—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

Mr. Douglass, a member of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had concurred in the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Duck Creek Oil Company of Smyrna, Delaware,"

And returned the same to the Senate.

Mr. Ponder, from the Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to relieve the people of this State from draft,' passed at Dover, February 16, A. D. 1865,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate, with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the bill by striking out after the word "That," in the third line of Section 1 thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof as follows: "Every white person who has been or may hereafter be drafted under the call of the President of the United States, referred to in the act to which this is a supplement, and who shall be held to service and shall be unable to procure a substitute, and shall be mustered into the military service of the United States, having a wife or mother dependent upon him for a support, shall be entitled to and shall receive the sum of one hundred dollars to aid in the maintenance or support of such wife or mother, which said sum of one hundred dollars shall be paid by the State Treasurer, upon the warrant drawn upon him by the Commissioners named in the act to which this is a supplement, in favor of the wife of such drafted white person unable to procure a substitute and mustered into the military service as aforesaid, if such drafted person have a wife, and if such drafted white person mustered into the military service as aforesaid have no wife, the said sum of one hundred dollars shall be paid to his mother, if he has a mother living and dependent upon him for support, upon a warrant drawn by the Commissioners aforesaid in favor of such mother; and upon the application of the wife, and in case such drafted white person mustered into the military service as aforesaid has no wife, upon the application of the mother of such person, it shall be the duty of the Commissioners aforesaid to draw a warrant in favor of such wife or mother, as the case may be, upon the State Treasurer for the sum of one hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the act to which this is a supplement, be and the same is hereby further amended by striking out the words "five hundred dollars," wherever they occur in said act and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "seven hundred dollars."

SECTION 3. *Be it further enacted*, That if any warrants have been drawn by the Commissioners under the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement, for five hundred dollars, in favor of any drafted white man who has furnished a substitute, it shall be the duty of the Commissioners to draw additional warrants for the sum of two hundred dollars each, in favor of such drafted white persons who have furnished substitutes and received warrants for five hundred dollars."

Mr. Hickman moved

That the amendment be adopted,

Pending which question,

Mr. Belville moved,

That the further consideration thereof be indefinitely postponed,

Which motion, *Lost.*

The question recurring on the motion to adopt the amendment,

On the question,

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Hickman, Hitch, and Ponder—3.

*Nays*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott and Williamson—5.

And so the question was decided in the negative,

And,

The amendment was

Mr. Williamson offered a further amendment to the bill, *Lost.*

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows:

Amend the bill by striking out all of Section 3 thereof.

Mr. Williamson moved,

That the amendment be adopted,

And

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

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott and Williamson—5.

*Nays*—Messrs. Hickman, Hitch and Ponder—3.

And so the question was decided in the affirmative,

And,

The amendment was *Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bills, to wit :

"An act to restrict certain animals from running at large in Mill Creek and Christiana Hundreds," and

"An act requiring a license for carrying on the business of opening oysters for the purpose of exportation from this State."

He also presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bill, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit :

"An act to aid the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company in the completion of their road, and for other purposes."

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "A supplement to the act entitled, "An act to relieve the people of this State from draft," passed at Dover, February 16, A. D. 1865,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, as amended, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate,

Section one having been read,

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

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows, to wit :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott, and Williamson—3.

*Nays*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hitch and Ponder—4.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And Section 1 of the bill was *Lost.*

And the bill was *Lost.*

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

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act to appropriate the monies in the Treasury of this State,"

Was read,

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title by special order of the Senate.

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

"An act for the payment of claims against the State,"

And returned the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to appropriate the monies in the Treasury of this State,"

Was taken up for consideration,

And, thereupon,

Mr. Bewley moved,

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the second Tuesday of June next,

Which motion

*Prevailed,*

And the further consideration thereof was so

*Postponed.*

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Sections 3, 4, 5 and 32 of Chapter 125 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration.

The question pending being upon the adoption of the second amendment offered yesterday by Mr. Williamson, and in the following words, to wit:

Amend Section 1 further by inserting between the figures "\$2.50" and the word "and" in the eleventh line the following words to wit: "*Provided*, That the provisions of this act shall not apply to any session of the General Assembly that shall continue for a longer time than sixty days."

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

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Cahall, Elliott and Williamson—4.

*Nays*—Messrs. Bewley, Hitch and Ponder—3.

And so the question was decided in the affirmative,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

Mr. Ponder offered a further amendment to the bill under consideration,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend Section 1 of the bill, by striking out all after the word "amended," in the third line thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the following : "in Section 32, by striking out the word 'eight,' after the word 'State,' in the eighth line, and inserting in lieu thereof the word 'ten.'"

Mr. Ponder moved,

That the amendment be adopted,

Pending which question,

Mr. Bewley moved,

That the further consideration thereof be postponed until this afternoon,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

And the further consideration thereof was so

*Postponed.*

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

"Joint Resolution directing the publication of the Journals and the mode of compensation,"

And returned the same to the Senate,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution appointing Directors in the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Bewley moved

That the Senate adhere to its amendments to said resolution,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

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

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

"Joint Resolution in relation to the refunding of commutation money paid by citizens of this State,"

And returned the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Nanticoke Building Association of Seaford, Delaware,"

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

And on the question pending being, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?"

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—7.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act appointing Commissioners of the Great and Beach Marshes,' passed at Dover, August 10, 1864,"

Was read,

And, further,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act for the improvement of Morgan's Branch in Kent County,"

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—7.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act to amend the act entitled, An act appointing Commissioners of the Great and Beach Marshes,' passed at Dover, August 10, 1864."

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order,

And

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize the Levy Court and Court of Appeal of Sussex County to purchase or acquire the drawbridge over the Nanticoke River at Seaford, for the purpose of making the same a public and free bridge,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, as amended,

And *Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof and its concurrence in the Senate amendment requested.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

SAME DAY—2 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Hudson's Branch Ditch Company,"

Was read,

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

"An act to authorize the Levy Court and Court of Appeal of Sussex County to purchase or acquire the drawbridge over the Nanticoke River at Seaford, for the purpose of making the same a public and free bridge."

He also returned to the Senate the House bill entitled, "An act concerning the *per diem* of Levy Court Commissioners of the several counties of this State," with a clean title, as requested by the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House bill entitled, "An act to prevent certain animals running at large within the limits of School District No. 47 of New Castle County,"

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

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

It was decided in the negative,

And the bill

Was

*Non-Concurred in.*

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

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Hudson's Branch Ditch Company,"

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adhered to its disagreement to the Senate amendments to the House joint resolution entitled,

"Joint Resolution appointing Directors in the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware,"

And had appointed a committee of conference upon the matters in disagreement between the two Houses, and requested the appointment of a similar committee on the part of the Senate,

And that Messrs. Douglass, Stuart and Jackson, were appointed said committee on the part of the House.

Mr. Bewley moved

That the Senate agree to the proposition of the House and appoint a committee of conference upon the matters in disagreement between the two Houses.

Which motion *Prevailed.*

And, thereupon,

Messrs. Bewley, Ponder and Cahall were appointed said committee on the part of the Senate.

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Hudson's Branch Ditch Company,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—7.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received the constitutional majority,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted and requested the concurrence of the Senate in a joint resolution entitled,

"Joint Resolution adjourning the two Houses of the General Assembly until Wednesday next at 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock, P. M.,

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Cahall,

The House joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution authorizing and directing the State Treasurer to procure an iron safe,"

Was read,

And, further,

On his motion,

Was

*Concurred in.*

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

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution adjourning the two Houses of the General Assembly until Wednesday next at 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock, P. M.,

Was read.

Mr. Belville moved,

That the joint resolution be concurred in,

Pending which question,

Mr. Ponder offered an amendment to the resolution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the joint resolution by striking out of the fifth line thereof the words "on to-morrow," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "this afternoon,"

And further,

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The joint resolution, as amended, was

*Concurred in.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof, and its concurrence in the Senate amendment requested.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act concerning the *per diem* of Levy Court Commissioners of the several counties of this State,"

Was read,

And further,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

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

"Joint Resolution adjourning the two Houses of the General Assembly until Wednesday next at 8½ o'clock, P. M."

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "An act concerning the *per diem* of Levy Court Commissioners of the several counties of this State,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate.

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

Mr. Elliott called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hitch and Ponder—4.

*Nays*—Mr. Elliott—1.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received a majority of votes,

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The House bill entitled, "An act for the preservation of certain records,"

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, and

*Passed the Senate.*

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

On motion of Mr. Ponder;

The House bill entitled, "An act to amend Sections 3, 4, 5 and 32 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware,"

Was taken up for consideration.

The question pending being upon the adoption of the amendment offered by Mr. Ponder this morning, and in the following words, to wit:

Amend Section 1 of the bill by striking out all after the word amended in the third line thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "in Section 32 by striking out the word "eight," after the word "State," in the eighth line, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "ten,"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the amendment was *Adopted.*

Mr. Ponder offered an amendment to the title of the bill,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows:

Amend the title by striking out the words and figures "Sections 3, 4, 5 and" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Section;"

And, further,

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The amendment was *Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The bill, as amended,

Was read a second time by its title,

Mr. Bewley moved,

That the bill, as amended, be read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate.

And

On the question, "Shall the bill be read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order, with a view to pass the Senate?"

Mr. Elliott called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hitch and Ponder—4.

*Nays*—Mr. Elliott—1.

So the question was decided in the affirmative.

And the bill was ordered to be read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order.

Sections 1 and 2 having been read and adopted, and the title read,

On the question, "Shall that be the title of the bill,"

Mr. Elliott called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hitch and Ponder—4.

*Nays*—Mr. Elliott—1.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the title was

On the question, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?" *Adopted.*

Mr. Elliott called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hitch and Ponder—4.

*Nays*—Mr. Elliott—1.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill, having received a majority of votes,

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof, and its concurrence in the Senate amendments requested.

Mr. Bewley moved,

That the vote by which the motion to read a second time by its title the House bill entitled, "An act for the relief of Charles A. Edwards, an imprisoned non-resident debtor," was lost be reconsidered,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

And the vote was

*Reconsidered.*

Pending the question, "Shall the bill be read a second time by its title?"

Mr. Bewley moved,

That the further consideration thereof be postponed until Thursday next, the twenty-third instant,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

And the further consideration thereof was so

*Postponed.*

Mr. Cahall, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following House bills as being duly and correctly enrolled and presented the same to the Speaker of the Senate for his signature, to wit :

"An act authorizing the Columbia and Port Deposit Railroad Company, incorporated by the States of Pennsylvania and Maryland, to extend their road from some point of the State line of Maryland to the Delaware River or Bay," and,

"An act to aid the Junction and Breakwater Railroad Company in the completion of their road, and other purposes."

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

"An act to amend Sections 3, 4, 5 and 32 of Chapter 125 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware."

On motion,

In pursuance of the joint resolution,

The Senate adjourned until 8 o'clock and 30 minutes on Wednesday evening next.

WEDNESDAY, March 22, 1865—8.30 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to the joint resolution of adjournment adopted by the two Houses of the General Assembly.

Mr. Williamson, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following Senate bills and joint resolutions as being duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same to the Speaker of the Senate for his signature, to wit:

"An act to divorce Mary E. Simmons from her husband, Henry Simmons."

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to provide for the Idiotic Children of the State of Delaware,' passed at Dover, February 22, A. D. 1861."

"An act to amend Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware."

"An act to punish all persons engaged in prize fighting."

"An act to revive an act entitled, 'An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate of Samuel M. Leiper, deceased,' passed February 17, 1859."

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to promote the educa-

tion of the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind,' passed at Dover, March 4, A. D., 1853,"

"A further supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to erect and keep in good repair a bridge over Broadkirk Creek where the State Road crosses the said Creek at a place called Samuel Paynter's Landing.'"

"An act to incorporate the Diamond State Chemical Company."

"An act confirming the title of Giddiah Beauchamp to certain lands."

"An act to incorporate 'The Kent County Railroad Company,' in this State."

"An act to revive an act entitled, 'An act to enable John Mansfield to locate certain salt marsh therein mentioned and complete his title to the same,' passed at Dover, March 7, 1861."

"An to incorporate the Duck Creek Oil Company of Smyrna, Delaware."

"An act to incorporate the Town of Milton."

"An act for the payment of claims against the State."

"Joint Resolution directing the publication of the Journals and the mode of compensation," and

"Joint Resolution in relation to the refunding of commutation money paid by citizens of this State."

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The Clerk was directed to proceed to the House and request the return by that body to the Senate of the House bill entitled,

"An act to prevent certain animals running at large within the limits of School District No. 47 of New Castle County,"

And the Clerk proceeded as directed.

Mr. Bewley moved,

That the vote by which the further consideration of the House bill entitled, "An act for the relief of Charles A. Edwards, an imprisoned non-resident debtor," was postponed until to-morrow, (Thursday, the twenty-third instant,) be reconsidered,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

And the vote was

*Reconsidered.*

The question pending being "Shall the bill be read a second time by its title?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill

Was read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The bill

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs, by special order,

And

*Passed the Senate.*

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

Mr. Douglass, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bills and joint resolutions, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"An act to amend Chapters 9, 10 and 18 of the Revised Code."

"An act to incorporate the Dover and Mahon River Steamboat Transportation and Freighting Company."

"An act to enable Curtis Vinyard, Jr., to straighten a public road upon his own land in Milford Hundred."

"An act to incorporate the Washington Hotel Company."

"An act concerning the *per diem* of Levy Court Commissioners of the several counties of this State."

"An act to authorize the Register of Wills, in and for New Castle County, to procure a new seal of office."

"Joint Resolution directing the State Treasurer to pay a certain sum of money to the Treasurer of the Pennsylvania Institution for the instruction of the Deaf and Dumb."

"Joint Resolution in relation to the Law Library."

"Joint Resolution in reference to Railroad Corporations existing by authority of this State," and

"Joint Resolution adjourning the two Houses of the General Assembly until Wednesday next at 8½ o'clock, P. M."

Mr. Causey, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bills, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"An act to authorize the State Treasurer to convert the bonds of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company into the stock of said Company."

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to enable the citizens of South Milford, in Sussex County, to keep in repair the public roads in said town and vicinity.'"

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate a company for making a Turnpike Road, from the borough of Wilmington to the line between this State and Pennsylvania, at or near the house now occupied by Charles Twaddell,' passed at Dover, January 21, 1811."

"An act increasing the fees of witnesses, jurors, commissioners appointed by the Courts, appraisers and freeholders to lay out roads, &c."

"An act to divorce Leah E. Quillen and Ebenezer E. Quillen, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to divorce Kate A. Francis and Edwin B. Francis, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to authorize James A. Martin and James F. Sipple to change a public road in Milford Hundred, Kent County."

"An act to amend Chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware."

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act appointing Commissioners of the Great and Beach Marshes,' passed at Dover, August 10, 1864," and

"An act to incorporate the Hudson's Branch Ditch Company."

Mr. Allderdice, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bills and joint resolutions, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"An act concerning the real estate of James D. Wilds, deceased."

"An act to incorporate the Wilmington Skating Park Association."

"An act divorcing James Hallett and Ann M. Hallett, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to incorporate the Bridgeville Academy."

"An act for the relief of Joseph Hossinger, Administrator of Fergus Mayne."

"An act to divorce Matilda Ann Carr and Charles Llewellyn Carr, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to make part of a certain public road in Pencader Hundred, New Castle County, a charge upon the said county."

"An act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Code."

"Joint Resolution directing the State Treasurer to pay the members of this General Assembly in gold or its equivalent in currency," and

"Joint Resolutions with respect to the death of His Excellency, William Cannon, late Governor of Delaware."

Mr. Duncan, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bills, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit :

"An act for the improvement of Morgan's Branch, in Kent County," and

"An act to incorporate the Town of Seaford, and for other purposes."

Mr. Paxson, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bills and joint resolution, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit :

"An act authorizing the making of a private road in Kent County."

"An act to divorce John H. Powell and Catharine, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to prevent swine from running at large within Dover Hundred, Kent County."

"An act to vacate certain roads within the limits of the City of Wilmington," and

"Joint Resolution authorizing and directing the State Treasurer to procure an iron safe."

Mr. Stuart, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bills, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"An act for the preservation of certain records."

"An act for the relief of Wilhelmina Snyder," and

"An act to incorporate the New-Castle County Mutual Association for the promotion of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

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

"An act to authorize the Governor of this State to appoint additional Notaries Public,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

He also, in pursuance of the request of the Senate returned the following House bill, to wit:

"An act to prevent certain animals running at large within the limits of School District No. 47 of New Castle County."

On motion of Mr. Williamson,

The House bill entitled, "An act to authorize the Governor of this State to appoint additional Notaries Public,"

Was read.

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

"An act for the benefit of married women."

And returned the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Elliott,

The vote by which the House bill entitled, "An act to prevent certain animals running at large within the limits of School District No. 47, of New Castle County," was non-concurred in, was

*Reconsidered.*

The question then being, "Shall this bill pass the Senate?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the bill *Passed the Senate.*

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

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

"An act to prevent swine from running at large within Dover Hundred, Kent County,"

"An act to vacate certain roads within the limits of the City of Wilmington."

"An act for the relief of Wilhelmina Snyder."

"An act for the relief of Joseph Hossinger, Administrator of Fergus Mayne."

"An act to make part of a certain public road in Pencader Hundred, New Castle County, a charge upon the said County."

"An act to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Code."

"An act to divorce John H. Powell and Catharine, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to incorporate the Bridgeville Academy."

"An act authorizing the making of a private road in Kent County."

"An act concerning the real estate of James D. Wilds, deceased."

"An act to authorize the State Treasurer to convert the bonds of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company into the stock of said Company."

"Joint Resolution directing the State Treasurer to pay a certain sum of money to the Treasurer of the Pennsylvania Institution for the instruction of the Deaf and Dumb."

"Joint Resolutions with respect to the death of His Excellency, William Cannon, late Governor of Delaware," and

"Joint Resolution directing the State Treasurer to pay the members of this General Assembly in gold or its equivalent in currency."

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, March 23, 1865—10 o'clock, A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. T. B. Bradford.

Mr. Duncan, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bills, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit :

"An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate, late of James Chambers, deceased, situate in Appoquinimink Hundred, New Castle County and State of Delaware."

"An act to restrict certain animals from running at large in Mill Creek and Christiana Hundreds," and

"An act concerning 'The McCullough Iron Company.'"

Mr. Dyer, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bills, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit :

"An act to prevent the loading of gunpowder within certain distances of railroads."

"An act to incorporate the House of Refuge of New Castle County," and

"An act authorizing the Secretary of State to collect the sum of two dollars for issuing military commissions."

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, returned to the Senate the following enrolled Senate bills and joint resolutions, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit :

"An act to revive an act entitled, 'An act to enable John Mansfield to locate certain salt marsh therein mentioned and complete his title to the same,' passed at Dover, March 7, 1861."

"An act for the payment of claims against the State."

"An act to incorporate the Duck Creek Oil Company of Smyrna, Delaware."

"An act to incorporate the Town of Milton."

"Joint Resolution directing the publication of the Journals and the mode of compensation," and

"Joint Resolution in relation to the refunding of commutation money paid by citizens of this State."

Mr. Wilson, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bills, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit :

"An act for the relief of Joseph I. Taggart," and

"An act for the relief of Charles A. Edwards, an imprisoned non-resident debtor."

Mr. Moore, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, the following enrolled House joint resolution, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit :

"Joint Resolution to meet the increased expenses of publishing the sixth volume of the Judicial Reports of this State."

Mr. Adams, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bills, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit :

"An act to incorporate the Diamond State Iron Company," and

"A further supplement to the act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Home for Friendless and Destitute Children, in the City of Wilmington.'"

Mr. Jackson, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bills, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit :

"An act to amend an act to incorporate a Company for making an artificial turnpike road from the borough of Wilmington to the village of Christiana in New Castle County," and

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate a Company

for making a turnpike road from the borough of Wilmington to the line between this State and Pennsylvania, or to communicate with the artificial road contemplated from the Gap to Newport,' passed February 1, 1808."

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

"An act to incorporate the Dover and Mahon River Steamboat Transportation and Freighting Company."

"An act to divorce Kate A. Francis and Edwin B. Francis, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to amend Chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware."

"An act to divorce Matilda Ann Carr and Charles Llewellyn Carr, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate a Company for making a turnpike road from the borough of Wilmington to the line between this State and Pennsylvania, at or near the House now occupied by Charles Twaddell,' passed at Dover, January 21, 1811."

"An act to divorce Leah E. Quillen and Ebenezer E. Quillen, her husband, from the bonds of matrimony."

"An act to enable Curtis Vinyard, Jr., to straighten a public road upon his own land in Milford Hundred."

"An act to amend Chapters 9, 10 and 18 of the Revised Code."

"An act increasing the fees of witnesses, jurors, commissioners appointed by the Courts, appraisers and freeholders to lay out roads, &c."

"An act to incorporate the New Castle County Mutual Association for the promotion of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

"An act to incorporate the Wilmington Skating Park Association."

"An act to authorize the Register of Wills in and for New Castle County to procure a new seal of office."

"An act to authorize James A. Martin and James F. Sipple to change a public road in Milford Hundred, Kent County."

"An act to incorporate the Washington Hotel Company."

"An act for the improvement of Morgan's Branch, in Kent County."

"An act for the preservation of certain records."

"An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act to amend the act entitled, 'An act appointing Commissioners of the Great and Beach marshes'" passed at Dover, August 10, 1864."

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to enable the citizens of South Milford, in Sussex County, to keep in repair the public roads in said town and vicinity.'"

"An act concerning the *per diem* of Levy Court Commissioners of the several counties of this State."

"An act to incorporate the Hudson's Branch Ditch Company."

"An act to incorporate the town of Seaford and for other purposes."

"An act for the relief of Charles A. Edwards, an imprisoned non-resident debtor."

"Joint Resolution to meet the increased expenses of publishing the sixth volume of the Judicial Reports of this State."

"Joint Resolution in relation to the Law Library."

"Joint Resolution in reference to Railroad Corporations existing by authority of this State."

"Joint Resolution authorizing and directing the State Treasurer to procure an iron safe," and

"Joint Resolution adjourning the two Houses of the General Assembly until Wednesday next, at 8½ o'clock, P. M."

Mr. Cahall presented the accounts of Daniel Trump, William G. Whiteley, Z. L. Butler, C. P. Wetherby, James Kirk and J. H. Bateman against the Senate,

Which,

On his motion,

Were read,

And, further,

On his motion,

Were referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Williamson, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following Senate bill as being duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same to the Speaker for his signature, to wit:

"An act for the benefit of married women."

And also the following House bills, to wit:

"An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate, late of James Chambers, deceased, situate in Appoquinimink Hundred, New Castle County, and State of Delaware."

"An act to incorporate the Diamond State Iron Company."

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate a company for making a Turnpike Road from the Borough of Wilmington to the line between this State and Pennsylvania, or to communicate with the artificial road contemplated from the Gap to Newport,' passed February 1, 1808."

"An act to incorporate the House of Refuge, of New Castle County."

"A further supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Home for Friendless and Destitute Children, in the City of Wilmington.'"

"An act authorizing the Secretary of State to collect the sum of two dollars for issuing military commissions."

"An act to prevent the loading of Gunpowder within certain distances of railroads."

"An act concerning the McCullough Iron Company," and

"An act to restrict certain animals from running at large, in Mill Creek and Christiana Hundreds."

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY—3 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, returned the following enrolled Senate bills, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"An act to divorce Mary E. Simmons from her husband, Henry Simmons."

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to provide for the Idiotic Children of the State of Delaware,' passed at Dover, February 22, A. D. 1861."

"An act to amend Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware."

"An act to punish all persons engaged in prize fighting."

"An act to revive an act entitled, 'An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate of Samuel M. Leiper, deceased,' passed February 17, 1859."

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to promote the education of the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind,' passed at Dover, March 4, A. D. 1853."

"A further supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to erect and keep in repair a bridge over Broadkirk Creek, where the State Road crosses the said creek at a place called Samuel Paynter's Landing.'"

"An act confirming the title of Giddiah Beauchamp to certain lands."

"An act to incorporate the Diamond State Chemical Company."

"An act to incorporate the Kent County Railroad Company, in this State."

"An act to incorporate the Brandywine Hundred Mutual Horse Company, for the recovery of stolen horses."

"An act to incorporate the town of Frederica," and

"An act to amend the charter of the Kent County Mutual Insurance Company, and to extend the same for the period of twenty years."

Mr. Duncan, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bills and joint resolutions, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"An act to change the location and straighten a certain public road hereinafter mentioned."

"An act to establish the Red Clay Creek Church Cemetery, of Mill Creek Hundred."

"An act appointing freeholders to lay out a road in Baltimore Hundred in Sussex County."

"An act to incorporate the Beaver Dam Ditch Company in Baltimore Hundred, Sussex County, Delaware," and

"Joint Resolutions appointing committee to settle with the State Treasurer and Auditor of Accounts."

Mr. Causey, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bills, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"An act requiring a license for carrying on the business of opening oysters for the purpose of exportation from this State."

"An act authorizing Manlove R. Carlisle, Administrator D. B. N. of Bethuel Watson, deceased, to pay a certain legacy."

"An act to prevent certain animals running at large within the limits of School District No. 47 of New Castle County."

"An act to incorporate the Nanticoke Building Association of Seaford, Delaware."

"An act to amend Section 32 of Chapter 125 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware."

"An act to amend the Ninety-ninth Chapter of the Revised Code," and

"An act to vacate a private road in Georgetown Hundred, Sussex County."

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

"An act concerning free schools and school books,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill just received, and entitled, "An act concerning free schools and school books,"

Was read.

And, further,

On his motion,

The bill

Was read a second time by its title, by special order of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The vote by which the House bill entitled, "An act to appropriate the monies in the Treasury of this State," was postponed until the second Tuesday of June next,

Was

*Reconsidered.*

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The bill

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the Senate.*

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

Mr. Elliott offered a joint resolution,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows:

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met, That the joint resolution directing the State Treasurer to pay the members of the*

General Assembly in gold or its equivalent in currency, passed March 15, 1865, be and is hereby rescinded and made null and void."

Mr. Fowler, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bills and joint resolution, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"An act to incorporate the Seaford Seminary."

"An act to authorize the Levy Court and Court of Appeal of Sussex County to purchase or acquire the draw-bridge over the Nanticoke River, at Seaford, for the purpose of making the same a public and free bridge."

"An act to relieve the people of this State from draft," and

"Joint Resolution concerning the contingent expenses of the office of the Secretary of State."

He also returned the following enrolled Senate bill, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"An act for the benefit of married women."

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

"An act to incorporate the Beaver Dam Ditch Company in Baltimore Hundred, Sussex County, Delaware."

"An act to change the location and straighten a certain public road hereinafter mentioned."

"An act appointing freeholders to lay out a road in Baltimore Hundred in Sussex County."

"An act to amend the Ninety-ninth Chapter of the Revised Code."

"An act to amend Section 32 of Chapter 125 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware," and

"Joint Resolution appointing committee to settle with the State Treasurer and Auditor of Accounts."

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted and requested the concurrence of the Senate in a joint resolution entitled,

"Joint Resolution appropriating five hundred dollars to pay the contingent expenses of the office of the Secretary of State,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Bewley, to be read and to be concurred in.

The House joint resolution just received, and entitled, "Joint Resolution appropriating five hundred dollars to pay the contingent expenses of the office of the Secretary of State,"

Was read,

And, further,

On his motion,

Was

*Concurred in.*

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

Mr. Hoeffcker, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bill, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"An act to enable the owners of the marsh meadow near Newport, called "Conrad's Cripple," to keep the banks, dams and sluices in repair, and to raise a fund to defray the expenses thereof."

Mr. Williamson, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following House bills and joint resolution as being duly and correctly enrolled and presented the same to the speaker for his signature, to wit:

"An act to establish the Red Clay Creek Church Cemetery of Mill Creek Hundred."

"An act to incorporate the Seaford Seminary."

"An act requiring a license for carrying on the business of opening oysters for the purpose of exportation from this State."

"An act authorizing Manlove R. Carlisle, Administrator D. B. N. of Bethuel Watson, deceased, to pay a certain legacy."

"An act to vacate a private road in Georgetown Hundred, Sussex County."

"An act to relieve the people of this State from draft."

"An act to authorize the Levy Court and Court of Appeal, of Sussex county, to purchase or acquire the drawbridge over the Nanticoke River, at Seaford, for the purpose of making the same a public and free bridge."

"An act to incorporate the Nanticoke Building Association of Seaford, Delaware."

"An act to prevent certain animals running at large within the limits of School District No. 47, of New Castle County," and

"Joint Resolution concerning the contingent expenses of the office of Secretary of State."

Mr. Bewley offered a joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution in relation to the payment of money under the act entitled, 'An act to relieve the people of this State from draft,'"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

And, further,

On his motion,

Was

*Adopted.*

*Ordered* to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Bewley offered a joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution in relation to the fees of the Secretary of State,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read.

And, further,

On his motion,

Was

*Adopted.*

*Ordered* to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Williamson, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following House bills as being duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same to the Speaker for his signature, to wit :

"An act to amend an act to incorporate a Company for making an artificial turnpike road from the Borough of Wilmington to the village of Christiana, in New Castle County."

"An act to enable the owners of the marsh meadow near Newport, called "Conrad's Cripple," to keep the banks, dams and sluices in repair, and to raise a fund to defray the expenses thereof."

"An act for the relief of Joseph I. Taggart," and

"An act divorcing James Hallett and Ann M. Hallett, his wife, from the bonds of matrimony."

Mr. Cahall, from the Committee on Accounts, submitted a report, Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

We, the undersigned, appointed a Committee on Accounts for the Senate, beg leave to submit the following allowances as accounts against the Senate, viz :

	Days.	Miles.	Dolls. Cts.
To Gove Saulsbury, Speaker, - - - - -	58	0	361 92
" John P. Belville, - - - - -	82	35	400 14
" John H. Bewley, - - - - -	80	12	380 01
" Thomas Cahall, - - - - -	80	12	380 01
" Isaac S. Elliott, - - - - -	82	52	408 09
" William Hitch, - - - - -	60	44	301 39
" Henry Hickman, - - - - -	82	67	415 11
" James Ponder, - - - - -	82	32	398 73
" John F. Williamson, - - - - -	82	45	404 82
To Charles P. Wetherby, Clerk of the Senate for his <i>per diem</i> , transcribing, engrossing and other services,.....			800 00
To Timothy C. Killen, Sergeant at Arms, per services, &c.,.....			225 00
To Rev. T. J. Thompson, Chaplain to Senate,.....			75 00
To Zadock L. Butler, Fireman,.....			60 00
To James Kirk, for printing,.....			103 18
To Eli Saulsbury, for drawing bills,.....			200 00
To Charles P. Wetherby, for newspaper subscription for the present session,.....			33 13
To J. H. Bateman, for postage,.....			58 00
To William G. Whiteley, for six copies of Revised Code,.....			6 00

	Dolls. Cts.
<i>Amount brought forward</i>	5,010 53
To William Wicks, Messenger, .....	40 00
To Dover Gas Light Company, .....	319 20
To Z. L. Butler, for fitting up the two Halls, .....	35 00
To William Hitch, Speaker, <i>pro tem.</i> twenty-two days, forty-four miles, .....	137 28
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THOMAS CAHALL, }  
 ISAAC S. ELLIOTT, } *Committee*  
 JAMES PONDER, }

Mr. Cahall moved,

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Pending which question,

Mr. Williamson moved

That the report be amended by inserting \$300 as the allowance to Timothy C. Killen, Sergeant-at-Arms, in lieu of \$225, the amount reported by the Committee.

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

And the report was so

*Amended.*

Mr. Bewley moved

That the report be further amended by inserting \$1,000 as the allowance to Charles P. Wetherby, Clerk of the Senate, in lieu of \$800, the amount reported by the Committee,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

And the report was so

*Amended.*

The question then being on the adoption of the report as amended,

Pending that question,

Mr. Williamson moved,

That the further consideration thereof be postponed until this evening,

Which motion

Was

*Lost.*

The question again recurring on the adoption of the report as amended,

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the report was

*Adopted.*

Mr. Bewley offered a joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution rescinding the joint resolution concerning the contingent expenses of the late Secretary of State,"

Which,

On his motion,

Was read,

And, further,

On his motion,

Was

*Adopted.*

*Ordered* to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Bewley moved

That the vote by which the joint resolution entitled, "Joint Resolution rescinding the joint resolution concerning the contingent expenses of the late Secretary of State," was adopted be reconsidered,

And on the question, "Shall the vote by which the joint resolution was adopted be reconsidered?"

Mr. Bewley called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman and Hitch—6.

*Nays*—Messrs. Ponder and Williamson—2.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the vote was

*Reconsidered.*

The question then being, "Shall the joint resolution be adopted?"

Pending that question,

Mr. Bewley moved,

That the further consideration thereof be postponed until this evening,

Which motion,

He afterwards, by unanimous consent of the Senate,

*Withdrew.*

The question again recurring, "Shall the joint resolution be adopted?"

On the question,

Mr. Bewley called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Bewley, Cahall, Elliott, Hickman, Hitch, Ponder and Williamson—8.

*Nays*—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative,

And the joint resolution was

*Adopted.*

*Ordered* to the House for concurrence.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 8 o'clock this evening.

SAME DAY—8 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

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

"Joint Resolution in relation to the fees of the Secretary of State."

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

"Joint Resolution in relation to the payment of money under the act entitled, 'An act to relieve the people of this State from draft.'"

And also that the House had non-concurred in the Senate bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the laying out a public road in Indian River Hundred,"

And returned the same to the Senate.

Mr. Jackson, a member of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House bill and joint resolution, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"An act to appropriate the monies in the Treasury of this State," and

"Joint Resolution appropriating five hundred dollars to pay the contingent expenses of the office of the Secretary of State."

Mr. Williamson, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following House bill and joint resolution as being duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same to the Speaker of the Senate for his signature, to wit:

"An act to appropriate the monies in the Treasury of this State," and

"Joint Resolution appropriating five hundred dollars to pay the contingent expenses of the office of the Secretary of State."

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had adopted and requested the concurrence of the Senate in a joint resolution entitled,

"Joint Resolution adjoining both Houses this evening, until the second Tuesday in June next,"

And presented the same to the Senate.

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

"Joint Resolution rescinding the joint resolution concerning the contingent expenses of the late Secretary of State,"

And returned the same to the Senate.

Mr. Williamson, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following Senate joint resolution as being duly and correctly enrolled and presented the same to the Speaker of the Senate for his signature, to wit:

"Joint resolution in relation to the fees of the Secretary of State."

On motion of Mr. Belville,

The House joint resolution entitled "Joint Resolution adjoining both Houses, this evening, until the second Tuesday in June next,"

Was read.

And,

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

Was *Concurred in.*

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

Mr. Williamson, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following Senate joint resolution as being duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same to the Speaker of the Senate for his signature, to wit:

"Joint Resolution rescinding the joint resolution concerning the contingent expenses of the late Secretary of State."

Mr. Hickman moved

That the vote by which the House bill entitled, "A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to relieve the people of this State from draft, passed at Dover, February 16, A. D. 1865,'" was non-concurred in be reconsidered,

Which motion

*Prevailed.*

And the vote was

*Reconsidered.*

The question then being, "Shall that be Section 1 of the bill,"

Pending that question,

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The bill

Was re-committed to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Jackson, a member of the House, being admitted, returned the following enrolled Senate joint resolutions, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"Joint Resolution in relation to the fees of the Secretary of State," and

"Joint Resolution rescinding the joint resolution concerning the contingent expenses of the late Secretary of State."

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, presented for the signature of the Speaker of the Senate the following enrolled House joint resolution, the same having received the signature of the Speaker of the House, to wit:

"Joint Resolution adjourning both Houses this evening until the second Tuesday in June next."

Mr. Williamson, from the Committee on Enrollment, reported the following House joint resolution as being duly and correctly enrolled, and presented the same to the Speaker of the Senate for his signature, to wit:

"Joint Resolution adjourning both Houses this evening, until the second Tuesday in June next."

Mr. Ponder, from the Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was re-committed the House bill entitled, "A Supplement to the act entitled, 'An Act to relieve the people of this State from draft,' passed at Dover, February 16, A. D. 1865,"

Reported the bill back to the Senate with an amendment,

Which,

On his motion,

Was read, as follows :

Amend the bill by striking out all after the title and inserting in lieu thereof the following, to wit :

"SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met,* That every white person who has been or may hereafter be drafted under the call of the President of the United States, referred to in the act to which this is a supplement, and who shall be held to service and shall be unable to procure a substitute, and shall be mustered into the military service of the United States, having a wife or mother dependent upon him for a support, shall be entitled to and shall receive the sum of one hundred dollars to aid in the maintenance or support of such wife or mother ; which said sum of one hundred dollars shall be paid by the State Treasurer upon the warrant drawn upon him by the Commissioners named in the act to which this is a supplement, in favor of the wife of such drafted white person unable to procure a substitute and mustered into the military service as aforesaid, if such drafted person have a wife ; and, if such drafted white person mustered into the military service as aforesaid have no wife, the said sum of one hundred dollars shall be paid to his mother, if he has a mother living and dependent upon him for support, upon a warrant drawn by the Commissioners aforesaid in favor of such mother ; and upon the application of the wife, and in case such drafted white person mustered into the military service as aforesaid has no wife, upon the application of the mother of such person it shall be the duty of the Commissioners aforesaid to draw a warrant in favor of such wife or mother, as the case may be, upon the State Treasurer, for the sum of one hundred dollars."

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The amendment was

*Adopted.*

And further,

On motion of Mr. Hickman,

The bill, as amended,

Was read a third time, and by paragraphs,

And

*Passed the Senate.*

*Ordered* that the House be informed thereof and its concurrence in the Senate amendment requested.

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had concurred in the Senate amendment to the House bill entitled, "A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to relieve the people of this State from draft,' passed at Dover, February 16, A. D. 1865," with amendments,

And requested the concurrence of the Senate therein.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House bill entitled, "A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to relieve the people of this State from draft,' passed at Dover, February 16, A. D. 1865,"

Was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The House amendments to the Senate amendment to the bill under consideration,

Were read, as follows:

#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

March 23, 1865.

Amend the Senate amendment by striking out the words "one hundred" wherever they occur in said amendment, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "three hundred."

Amend the Senate amendment further by adding after the word "wife," wherever it occurs in said amendment, the words "or orphan children."

Extract from Journal. For concurrence.

J. FRANK HAZEL,

*Clerk, House of Representatives.*

Mr. Williamson moved

That the Senate do concur in the House amendments to the Senate amendment to the bill under consideration,

Pending which question,

Mr. Ponder called for a division of the question,

And,

On the question, "Shall the first amendment of the House to the Senate amendment to the bill under consideration be concurred in?"

Mr. Williamson called for the yeas and nays,

Which, being taken, were as follows:

*Yeas*—Messrs. Belville, Elliott and Williamson—3.

*Nays*—Messrs. Bewley, Cahall, Hickman, Hitch and Ponder—5.

So the question was decided in the negative,

And the first amendment was

*Non-concurred in.*

The question then being, "Shall the second amendment of the House to the Senate amendment to the bill under consideration be concurred in?"

It was decided in the affirmative,

And the second amendment was

*Concurred in.*

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

Mr. Hazel, Clerk of the House, being admitted, informed the Senate that the House had insisted upon its first amendment to the Senate amendment to the House bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, 'An act to relieve the people of this State from draft,' passed at Dover, February 16, A. D. 1865."

On motion of Mr. Bewley,

The Clerk proceeded to read the journal of the proceedings of the day.

On motion of Mr. Ponder,

The Clerk was directed to inform the House that the Senate, in pursuance of the joint resolution of adjournment this day adopted by both Houses, would be ready in five minutes to adjourn until the second Tuesday of June next,

And the Clerk proceeded as directed.

On motion,

In pursuance of the joint resolution this day adopted,

The Senate adjourned until the second Tuesday of June next.

Attest:

CHARLES P. WETHERBY,

*Clerk of the Senate.*

## CERTIFICATE.

By the authority in me vested by a joint resolution of the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, entitled, "Joint Resolution directing the publication of the Journals and the mode of compensation," adopted at Dover, March 17, 1865, and the provisions of Section 4 of Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, I appointed James Kirk to print the foregoing Journal of the Senate of the State of Delaware, with the Auditor's Report and Index hereunto annexed.

CHARLES P. WETHERBY,

*Clerk of the Senate.*

ON THEIR 50th ANNIVERSARY

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## CONCLUSIONS

### ERRATA.

On page 168, the date, "Friday, February 10," at the commencement of the day's proceedings, should read, "Friday, February 17."

On page 207, after the 5th line, insert "An act to amend the charter of the Kent County Mutual Insurance Company, and to extend the same for the period of twenty years,"

On page 262, 19th line, the word "presented," should be "returned."

On page 269, the words "Was read," are omitted at the top of the page.

# NOTES

On page 188, the date "Friday, February 19, 1910" should be changed to "Friday, February 19, 1910".

On page 189, the date "Saturday, February 20, 1910" should be changed to "Saturday, February 20, 1910".

On page 190, the date "Sunday, February 21, 1910" should be changed to "Sunday, February 21, 1910".

On page 191, the date "Monday, February 22, 1910" should be changed to "Monday, February 22, 1910".